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## LINER IS TORPEDOED BY GERMAN SUBMARINE

### Hesperian Struck Without Warning, and So Badly Injured That She Is Left To Sink—Passengers Are All Taken Off In Calm Sea Although Thirty Were Injured—Two or Three Members of Crew Were American Citizens

London, Sept. 6.—The Allan liner Hesperian, torpedoed by a submarine off the Irish coast Saturday night, sank at 6:45 a. m. today while endeavoring to make Queenstown.

Announcement of the sinking of the Hesperian was made from the Allan line offices at 9:30 today. No details were given, but Captain Main and all members of the crew of 300 are reported to have been saved. A wireless message received at noon stated that the captain and his men had been taken off the Hesperian safely before the vessel plunged to the bottom. They were taken aboard vessels which were endeavoring to tow the liner back to port.

#### Vessel Is Abandoned.

The last previous report received last night declared the Hesperian was still afloat and that the liner would probably reach Queenstown about 10 a. m. The steamer, however, filled more rapidly than was expected from the hole in her hull and it was necessary to take off the crew and leave the Hesperian to her fate.

The course of the Hesperian took her through the same waters in which the Lusitania and Arabic were torpedoed, and it is presumed the latest liner victim went to the bottom but a short distance from the others.

#### Thirty Are Injured.

Reports as to casualties were contradictory today. Before the Hesperian was known to have sunk, the Allan line office stated that the liner's 350 passengers and crew of 350 had been placed in boats and landed safely at Queenstown. Press dispatches, however, reported the death of a Miss Carberry from shock. Another woman was reported to have been injured, and to have died aboard one of the rescue ships.

In all 30 passengers were injured. A majority of the injured were in two small boats which capsized before striking the water after being put over the Hesperian's side.

#### No American Passengers.

There were no American passengers aboard the Hesperian and no more than two or three members of the crew were American citizens.

All passengers from the liner at Queenstown today agreed that the Hesperian was torpedoed without warning. C. S. Blue, of Ottawa, today said he heard the cry of "submarine on starboard quarter" before the explosion. "Others said the submarine could not be seen because of the gathering darkness. The Hesperian was attacked at 8:30 and it was dusk.

#### Calm Sea Saved Lives.

A calm sea and the fact that the Hesperian was extremely slow in sinking made it possible to take off the passengers and crew. Passengers at Queenstown today declared they believed the danger zone had been passed when a violent explosion was suddenly heard. The Hesperian lurched and a

great column of water spouted into the air and broke over the deck. Passengers were drenched to the skin. Boats were immediately lowered, life preservers passed out, and passengers ordered to take their places to go over the side. There was little confusion, those here today said, and but for two boats capsizing as they were being lowered all would probably have escaped without injury. The passengers huddled into the waters when lifeboats capsized were quickly rescued. Admiralty tugs and other ships arrived at the scene later and picked up the passengers.

When it was seen the Hesperian might remain afloat, Captain Main and the crew stayed on board, and it was hoped the vessel would be able to make Queenstown.

#### May Have Carried Guns.

The admiralty today had failed to confirm the report of Consul Frost, at Queenstown, that the Hesperian carried a four-inch rifle mounted aft. Officials said, however, it was possibly true. They added that the fact that the gun was on the stern was proof that it was intended for defensive and not offensive purposes. Frost reported the Hesperian's gun was visible.

Less than an hour after the Hesperian sent out a wireless call for help after being hit, a rescue fleet had surrounded the liner. Passengers and members of the crew were picked up and placed upon other ships. A number of women who had retired early were clad only in their night clothing and suffered severely from exposure.

Several men put on life belts quickly after the Hesperian was struck, and jumped into the water from the deck without waiting for the lifeboats. Several slightly wounded Canadian soldiers dived from the liner and rescued women and children who were thrown into the water when the two lifeboats capsized. There was some confusion, owing to the darkness, but the Hesperian had scarcely been hailed before boats were over the side and passengers were being lowered.

#### Passengers Sing "Tipperary."

While rowing away from the Hesperian and awaiting the arrival of rescue ships, the passengers kept up their courage by singing "Tipperary."

#### A Steamer Torpedoed.

London, Sept. 6.—The British steamer Cymbeline was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine today.

Six members of the crew were killed and six injured. Thirty-one survivors were rescued and landed. The Cymbeline was a vessel of 4505 tons.

## AMERICANS FACE MEXICAN TROOPS IN BATTLE LINE

### Carranza's Commander, However Claims To Be Withdrawing Army

Washington, Sept. 7.—American and Mexican troops near Mission, Texas, "face each other across the river in danger of a conflict," General Funston reported to the war department today.

General Nafarette, Carranzista commander, notified Funston he was removing his troops from the border.

"Any shooting from Mexico is not by my men," Nafarette said.

#### Reports of Continued Sniping.

Brownsville, Tex., Sept. 6.—Reports of continued sniping and running engagements with Mexican bandits at isolated points continued to reach here today, but in the main the situation on the border was more quiet. Several Mexicans were killed and several wounded yesterday. The Mexicans started the exchanges by firing upon American troops or civilians, but withdrew after members of their band had been killed or wounded when the shots were returned.

Troop trains were arriving here today with more than 7000 troops who are to be stationed in the lower Rio Grande valley. Major Hay arrived yesterday with the first detachment of the troops being moved from San Antonio.

#### No Firing Across Line.

Brownsville, Texas, Sept. 6.—Rival commanders of factions across the Rio Grande from here apparently had their men in hand this afternoon, as there had been no firing across the line today.

On the American side, however, a detachment of the third cavalry killed one Mexican bandit, and wounded another, in a battle sixteen miles northward this morning. At the same time, two Mexicans were killed in a skirmish in Hidalgo county.

## Father Will Witness Daughter's Murderer Die

Sacramento, Cal., Sept. 6.—William E. Milling, father of 10-year-old Margaret Milling, who was murdered by David Fountain in the German Lutheran church last December, will be one of the witnesses to see the fiend hanged at Folsom prison Friday morning. Unless executive clemency interferes Fountain will pay the death penalty for his outrageous crime.

Milling has requested Warden Smith of Folsom for an invitation for himself and five of his friends. The demands for invitations to the hanging has been unusually great.

As the day for his hanging draws near Fountain has very little to say. He is slightly nervous. Warden Smith had a talk with him today and he said that he wanted neither minister or priest.

"I'm a Methodist," said Fountain, "but I don't want to see any minister or priest. I'm ready to die. I've got no friends and I guess I will pay the penalty."

Fountain will be placed in the death cell tomorrow and the "death watch" will begin. During the "death watch" a guard is stationed at the cell of the condemned man to attend to his wants and watch to see that he does not harm himself.

## RUSSIA DECLARES RESOLUTION TO FIGHT TO FINISH

### Ready For Ten Years' Struggle If Necessary To Final Victory

## HEAVY ARTILLERY DUEL SHAKES WESTERN FRONT

### Roumanian Reservists Are Called To Arms Without Further Delay

Petrograd, Sept. 6.—Russia's determination to fight the war to the last ditch—even five to ten years if needs be—was voiced by President M. Rodzianko of the Duma, in an interview today.

"If we are forced to give up Petrograd and Moscow," he said, "we will retire to the defenses in the Ural mountains, and continue the fight. Russia is determined to fight five, even ten years, if necessary."

"She has twelve million soldiers who will resist to the last drop of blood. They will not think of peace while a single enemy soldier is on Russian soil."

Newspapers today took a more optimistic view of the situation, following the German failure before Vilna, and along the Dvina. Some expressed the belief that the combined armies are weakening through redistribution of their forces, while others held the Austro-German offensive is about to end.

## Heavy Artillery Engaged.

Paris, Sept. 6.—The entire battle front from Ypres, across northern France to Switzerland was shaken by heavy artillery bombardments yesterday. Reporting the engagements today the official communique declared in the Champagne and Artois regions, the Germans were especially fierce. There the Germans replied vigorously to the French fire.

In the Champagne and Argonne regions grenade attacks were made after mines had been exploded. The German barracks at Dieuse and Morhange were successfully bombarded.

## Roumania Reservists Called.

London, Sept. 6.—Roumanians in Switzerland have been ordered to return immediately to their home country and report to their regimental divisions, Geneva dispatches today said.

The report received various interpretations here. In some circles, it was considered an indication that the allies have succeeded in their negotiations for Roumanian participation in the war, but the general belief was that the move meant the nation is strengthening its border guard because of rumors that the Austro-Germans are planning a Balkan coup.

## No Progress Toward Vilna.

Berlin, via wireless to London, Sept. 6.—No important progress has been made toward Vilna during the last two days, the war office admitted today. Reporting operations on the eastern front an official statement said "situation from the Baltic to east of Grodno was unchanged."

Further advances by the Bavarians on the German border and the forces of Field Marshal Von Mackensen, further south were reported by the war office, while Field Marshal Von Hindenburg was declared to be progressing slowly.

"Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's right wing is nearing the Niemen river at Lunno," the statement said.

"Prince Leopold's forces are clashing constantly with the Russian rear guard and has crossed the Ross river south of Volkovysk and passed the Smolniz swamps."

"North of Prushany, Field Marshal Von Mackensen continues to advance."

## Warships Re-enter Riga.

Copenhagen, Sept. 6.—German warships re-entered the Gulf of Riga, compelling the Russians to flee, according to advice here today. The Slavs are reported to have evacuated Dago island at the entrance to the gulf of Finland.

## Sink British Submarine.

Constantinople, via Berlin, Aug. 6.—Sinking of a British submarine in the Dardanelles was officially reported today in a statement which declared three officers and twenty-five members of the crew were captured.

The submarine was probably the same which Berlin dispatches last night reported sank off the entrance to the Gulf of Ionia. These messages said it was impossible to save the crew.

## ENGLISH EDITORS THINK GERMANY HAS BROKEN FAITH

### Torpedoing of Hesperian Taken To Mean No Change In Policy

London, Sept. 6.—The British today expressed the opinion that in torpedoing the Hesperian, Germany had broken faith with the United States. Having attacked the liner without warning the Kaiser has shown his government does not intend to keep the pledge given in Washington. Papers reprinted the paragraph from the memorandum presented by Ambassador Von Bernstorff saying "Liners will not be sunk by our submarines without warning and safety to lives of on-embarkants being assured, provided that the liners do not attempt to escape or to offer resistance."

News of the torpedoing of the Hesperian reached here only a few hours after Arthur J. Balfour, first lord of the admiralty, issued a statement in which he declared Germany's submarine warfare had been a failure and branded it as cowardly.

"While the losses inflicted upon German submarines have been formidable, British mercantile tonnage is at this moment greater than when the war began," Balfour said.

Germany's promise regarding future submarine action was called "another scrap of paper," in leading editorials of the afternoon press.

"Destruction of this latest 'scrap of paper,'" said the Pall Mall Gazette, "is more than cynicism itself."

At the same time, the Westminster Gazette declared, "we need waste no words on this latest crime against humanity and international law." It is "more pertinent," the paper said, to recall Ambassador Bernstorff's promise against future unwarmed attacks, and his claim that even before the Arabic incident, Germany had ordered her under-sea warriors not to torpedo without warning.

## BASEBALL TODAY

National League	R.	H.	E.
Boston	0	2	1
New York	4	8	0
Rudolph and Gowdy; Tesreau and Meyers.			
R. H. E.			
Cincinnati	2	5	3
Pittsburgh	5	8	2
McKern, George and Wingo; Harmon and Gibson.			
R. H. E.			
Philadelphia	3	5	3
Brooklyn	7	14	0
Rixey, Baumgartner and Killifer; Pfeffer and Miller. Tincep replaced Baumgartner.			
R. H. E.			
Chicago	2	5	2
St. Louis	3	5	0
Pierce, Lavender and Archer; Sallee and Snyder; 12 innings.			

American League	R.	H.	E.
New York	4	6	0
Boston	2	6	2
Caliwell and Nunnemaker; Ruth and Cady.			
St. Louis/Detroit game postponed;			

First game—	R.	H.	E.
Washington	5	11	3
Philadelphia	3	8	1
Ayres and Henry; Sheehan and McAvoy.			

Second game—	R.	H.	E.
Washington	5	9	1
Philadelphia	0	4	2
Harper and Williams; Nabors and McEvoy.			

Federal League	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	5	9	1
St. Louis	4	12	3
McConnell, Prendergast and Wilson; Willet, Groom and Crandall; Hartley; 12 innings.			

R. H. E.			
Baltimore	2	5	3
Buffalo	3	10	1
Suggs and Owens; Krapp and Allen. Beckett replaced Krapp; 10 innings.			

R. H. E.			
Brooklyn	1	5	0
Newark	0	3	1
Seaton and Land; Falkenberg and Rariden.			

## WILL INVESTIGATE

Washington, Sept. 6.—A naval board was today ordered to investigate the collision of a supply boat with the submarine P-1, P-2 and P-3 in the Honolulu harbor, Admiral Bouch reported to the navy department. The supply boat collided with the submarines while the submarines were anchored at their dock. All were more or less damaged.

## FRIENDS OF PEACE' RESOLVE.

Chicago, Sept. 6.—The Friends of Peace, in national convention here today, adopted a resolution opposing the sale of munitions to belligerent powers. The resolution also provided that the organization should oppose any candidate or party failing to agree with its principles of peace.

## GERMANY WILL DISAVOW ACT OF SUBMARINE

### Word Comes From Berlin That Submarine Left Base Before Later Orders Were Issued In Accordance With Pledge To United States--State Department Officials Are Calmly Awaiting Complete Reports

#### GERMANY WILL DISAVOW ACT

Amsterdam, Sept. 6.—Germany will disavow the torpedoing of the liner Hesperian if the British reports of the attack on the vessel are corroborated by the submarine commander involved, a Berlin dispatch stated here today.

Germany's explanation will be that the submarine commander had not been warned against torpedoing liners without warning because his vessel had left its base before the new instructions were issued.

Officials here and believe that subsequent details of the torpedoing of the Hesperian will explain the act satisfactorily. Consul Frost at Queenstown reported that the Hesperian carried 4.7 inch rifle on her stern. This report was regarded as likely to figure prominently, and probably to Germany's advantage.

The fact that no American lives were lost tempered the gravity of the new situation, though it was agreed it did not affect the principles involved. Secretary Lansing asked Ambassador Page in London to cable all details at the earliest possible moment.

The indications today were that a waiting policy would be adopted by the administration, with confidence that another rupture with Berlin would be avoided.

## WANTS TO CONFER WITH SECRETARY LANSING TUESDAY

### Ambassador Constantine Dumba's Request Regarded As Significant

Washington, Sept. 6.—Ambassador Constantine Dumba, of Austria, today wired Secretary of State Lansing asking for a conference tomorrow. His request was granted.

If these were ordinary times, there would be an excellent chance for the state department to ask Austria the ambassador recalled, officials said confidentially today.

Ambassador Dumba does not deny that he planned calling out Austrians and Hungarians employed in American steel and munition plants. From his summer home at Lenox, Mass., the ambassador admitted James E. Archibald, an American correspondent arrested in London, carried a dispatch to the Austrian government outlining a plan to tie up munition plants by calling a strike of citizens of the dual monarchy employed there.

Despite this, however, unwilling to take any action that would give belligerents an impression of the slightest uneasiness American leaning that the state department is believed to be sure to accept even a semi-official explanation from Dumba.

On the actual merits of the case, however, authorities on questions of diplomatic usage today said Dumba's view that he was within his rights would almost certainly make him persona non grata in Washington. It is understood that his activities furnished the basis for the charge of President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, that efforts were being made to bring about strikes in all munition plants.

Ambassador Von Bernstorff, of Germany, is not embarrassingly involved by the disclosures following the arrest of Archibald in London. There was no impropriety in Von Bernstorff's transmitting by Archibald a copy of the ambassador's explanation to Secretary Lansing of the New York World's exposure of the German propaganda plan.

Ambassador Dumba's plan to cripple the munition plants in this country and thus curtail the supply of guns and ammunition to the allies was to call out Austrians and Hungarians and furnish them with other employment through an agency to be backed by the Austrian government.

Boston Globe: The Brooklyn judge who decided that the tomato is a fruit and not a vegetable may think that he has settled a vexed question, but wait until the case gets up to the United States supreme court.

mounting a gun. A 4.7 rifle is pretty big and the whole inside of the ship would have to be braced before the gun could be placed in position."

## Constant Fluctuation Marks German Progress Into Russia

(By J. W. T. Mason.)  
(Written for the United Press.)  
New York, Sept. 6.—Constant fluctuation, marking the struggle for Dvina on the road to Petrograd, is evidence of the approaching fatigue which inevitably must overtake the unprecedented offensive the Austro-Germans have waged since May.

Not only on the northeastern line, but along the entire front, this same spasmodic warfare is apparent. General Von Hindenburg one day is about to capture Riga and the next day he is compelled to halt. Likewise, General Mackensen one day is on the verge of dividing the retreating Slav forces; but the next day he is forced to halt. Again, the eastern Galician offensive is renewed, one day, only to become inactive the next.

Nowhere now is there visible the restlessness progress that marked earlier Austro-German efforts. The climax of the Teutonic sweep came with the fall of Lemberg. From that time on, the mighty onrush of the combined armies slowed down, gradually, it is true. But the speed and power reduction was nevertheless manifest. For it took a more obvious output of force, effort and strategy to accomplish Warsaw's downfall than have been apparent in the Galician campaigning; the occupation of Brest-Litovsk, Kovno, and Grodno have been followed by a decreasing vigor of attack.

Four months of the persistent, nerve-racking, intense warfare that carried the Austro-Germans from Dunajec to Lemberg is impossible in modern warfare. Usually after such a grilling campaign as culminated with Lemberg's capitulation, three months' recuperation is needed. On this basis, provided the need for rest theory holds good the snows of Russia which smothered Napoleon's legions "like winter" "will be falling before the Teutons' recover their lost speed.

## Judge Was Murdered By Mysterious Stranger

Providence, R. I., Sept. 6.—Just after leaving his Seltwater, R. I., summer home this morning, Judge Willis Knowlton of the Eighth district court, was shot and killed by a mysterious stranger.

The judge's housekeeper told police she heard the man exclaim: "I've got you now, you —" whereupon he fired three shots at the justice.

While the police have no clue, they entertained the theory that the judge was a victim of some whom he had sentenced for game law violation.

## INDIAN WANTS GOLD TEETH

San Francisco, Sept. 6.—Because he's got only one good tooth in his head and feels he needs a real set for the happy hunting grounds, Chief Tom Many Feathers in His Tail (and too few teeth in his face) called at the Exposition Dental congress today for some new gold ones.

The 60-year-old Indian objected strenuously to the doctors' orders for the removal of that last evidence of a once noble set of molars, but finally submitted.

"I need strong ones in the next world," he said, "and I want the prettiest shiny ones."

## Abe Martin



A loafer allows his hair cut on Saturday night. Some folks are never so happy as when they're swapping ailments.