

U. S. SHIP SUNK BY GERMAN SUBMARINE OFF SCOTTISH COAST; CREW GETS WARNING

Leelanaw, Flying American Flag, Halted Off Orkney Islands Sunday Morning—Commander of Raider Searches Vessel—Declares Cargo of Flax Contraband.

Men Take to Lifeboats and Land Safely at Kirkwall—Was Bound From Archangel, Russia, to Belfast—Owned by New York Firm—Carried 32—Agents Notified of Loss. Captain a Philadelphian.

LONDON, July 25. The American-owned steamship Leelanaw, flying the American flag and carrying a crew composed principally of Americans, was torpedoed off the Orkney Islands, according to dispatches from Kirkwall today. The crew was saved in the ship's own boats.

By the German Government in April. For that reason the German submarine commander apparently was acting within his rights in destroying the cargo, but oversteering the bounds of international law in sinking the steamship and setting the crew adrift in open boats.

CAPTAIN OF TORPEDOED VESSEL LIVES HERE

Mrs. Delk Says She Was Going to Accompany Husband, But Obeyed Warning.

"I would have sailed on the torpedoed Leelanaw but for my husband's warning. I accompanied him on the steamer from Galveston, Tex., to New York last May, but he insisted that I should return to West Philadelphia. He begged me not to sail because of probable danger from German submarines. I am sorry the ship was sunk, but am overjoyed that Eugene was saved."

Thus spoke Mrs. Eugene Delk, of 640 South 5th street, wife of Captain Eugene K. Delk, skipper of the American freighter Leelanaw, which was sunk off the English coast by a German submarine. Her eyes were fixed upon a photograph of her husband as she spoke.

STOCKS TAKE PLUNGE AT LEENANOW REPORT

Some Fall Off 15 Points Before Rally Comes—Steel Combine Denied.

NEW YORK, July 25.—Like a bolt from the blue, the reported sinking of the American freighter Leelanaw off the Scottish coast, struck the stock market today. Without waiting for confirmation, traders rushed to sell their holdings, and for a few minutes a raid was in progress.

Jersey Wants Alleged Kidnapper

Governor Fielder today issued a requisition on the Pennsylvania authorities for Edward Derris, under arrest in this city, charged with kidnaping Mary Manning, 17 years old, from Winslow Township, Camden County, to Mays Landing, Atlantic County, on July 30.

GEORGE D. M'CREARY DIES AFTER ILLNESS

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George D. McCreary, former member of Congress, former City Treasurer, banker and philanthropist, after an illness of three days, died of heart disease at his home at St. Martin's today.

Mr. McCreary was 69 years old. Although he had not been in the best of health for some time, his death was unexpected. Members of his family were present at the bedside.

Only a few weeks ago Mr. McCreary was present and made an address at the opening of the Red Bank Sanitarium, which provides a two weeks' outing in the country for the poor children of the city. McCreary was president of that institution and interested very much in its work.

RICHMOND OBSERVES FEAST DAY OF ST. ANN



TEUTONS TAKE SLAV FORTS ON NAREW FRONT

Pultusk and Rozan, Strongholds on Northwest, Fall to Invaders.

Objective Threatened From Four Compass Points—New Line, Held From Ostrolenka to Pultusk, Opens Way for Drive From the Rear.

BERLIN, July 25. Pultusk and Rozan, two of Russia's strongest fortresses on the Narew River, have been captured by the Germans. It was officially announced today.

PALMER VISITS BURLESON

Discusses Pittsburgh Postmastership. May Get State Appointment.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—Ex-Representative A. Mitchell Palmer, National Committeeman from Pennsylvania, is due here today to confer with Postmaster General Burleson regarding the appointment of a postmaster at Pittsburgh. It is understood that before he returns to Pennsylvania he will be appointed counselor of the State Department.

TAYLOR AND RYAN IN HARRISBURG FOR TRANSIT HEARING

Director and City Solicitor Will Represent Philadelphia Before Commission in Application for Permit to Begin Work.

HARRISBURG, Pa., July 25.—Transit Director A. Merritt Taylor and City Solicitor Michael J. Ryan, of Philadelphia, arrived here this afternoon to present Philadelphia's case for improved high-speed transit improvements before the Pennsylvania Public Service Commission at a public hearing in the Capitol.

CHICAGO JURY INVESTIGATES BOAT HORROR

Chas. H. Westcott, Supervising Steamship Inspector, Appears Before Grand Jury.

Federal Inspectors Blamed for Eastland Tragedy—U. S. Officials Order Investigators Not to Spare Any One in Their Inquiry.

States Attorney Hoyne Blames Overcrowding for Catastrophe—Will Prosecute Officials of Company. 816 Bodies Recovered—Dead May Total 1200.

GERMAN PUBLIC CRITICISES TONE OF U. S. ANSWER

Berlin Press Expresses Surprise at President Wilson's Attitude in Lusitania Reply.

By CARL W. ACKERMAN

The German people are virtually unanimous in their approval of the editorial utterances of the press in condemning the latest American note.

BONES OF SAINT ANN KISSED BY THOUSANDS, PRAYING FOR HEALTH

Lame, Halt and Blind Display Their Faith in Annual Pilgrimage to Port Richmond Shrine of Patron.

Some came on crutches, some in automobiles and carriages, some hobbled along with the aid of a cane, many of them leaped on the arms of friends and were gently led through the wide doors of the beautiful edifice of the Catholic Church of St. Ann, Lehigh avenue and Memphis street, today.

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FIELDER MAY SEND MILITIA TO BAYONNE Governor Asks First Brigade of N. J. N. G. to Be Ready for Service.

BAYONNE, N. J., July 25.—The ordering of the 1st Brigade of the New Jersey National Guard to prepare for service at Bayonne and the walking out of all sympathetic strikers in Jersey City revealed tenacity of feeling here this afternoon.

Governor Fielder, in directing that the militia get in readiness, said he took the action because Jersey City and Newark had declined to furnish uniformed police to help the Hudson County Sheriff. Composing the 1st Brigade are infantry regiments at Newark, Jersey City and Paterson, mounted companies at Newark, Red Bank and Hoboken and a battery at Orange. Brigadier General Bowen is in command.

The Jersey City strikers were employed in the filling and coking departments of the Eagle Oil Company. They expected 600 men from other departments to join them this evening.

Jersey City strikers, leaders of the Bayonne strikers, was arrested this afternoon on a charge of burning in riot.

THE WEATHER FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Unsettled weather, with no decided change in temperature tonight and tomorrow; light, variable winds. For details, see page 4.