

WHERE BOARDWALK ESTABLISHMENTS WENT UP IN FLAMES AT ATLANTIC CITY



The section that suffered most is shown in the lower left-hand corner of the picture, situated between Pennsylvania and North Carolina avenues. The short pier in the foreground is the Steeplechase, with the long Steel and the Garden piers beyond. The picture was taken recently from an aeroplane by an Evening Ledger staff photographer.

TWO AMERICANS OFFICIALLY REPORTED LOST IN SUBMARINE ATTACK ON LINER ARABIC

At Least Twenty Persons Perish on Steamship Sent to Bottom by Torpedo—No Warning Given by German Commander.

With the official confirmation by White Star Line officials in London of the loss of two American lives in the sinking of the liner Arabic by a German submarine, the German-American situation has become more acute, but by no means serious, not at least until full reports are received from Ambassador Page and American Consular representatives in London and Queenstown on the exact circumstances surrounding the submarine attack.

There is a strong intimation among officials in Washington that the Arabic may have been conveyed by a warship part of the distance from Liverpool and that the convoy was within close call when the submarine appeared.

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LONDON, Aug. 20.—Two of the Americans who were passengers on the White Star liner Arabic when she was sunk by a German submarine yesterday were definitely given up as dead this afternoon.

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ARABIC, IF CONVOYED, WAS SUNK LEGALLY

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The Arabic, perhaps, was not entitled to consideration as an "unarmed ship." The doubt was raised by a high State Department official today.

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BOVIC, OF WHITE STAR LINE, ALSO TORPEDOED

Submarine Sinks Craft Bound for New York—Six Others Lost

THE WEATHER

FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Increasing cloudiness followed by rain tonight or on Saturday; north to west winds increasing by Saturday; for details, see page 4.

SLAVS PLAN TO ABANDON PETROGRAD

Moscow Chosen as New Seat of Government as Peter's City Is Menaced

WAS ANCIENT CAPITAL Drive on Riga Forces Czar to Seek Seat Farther From Teutonic Assault

By HERBERT TEMPLE LONDON, Aug. 20.

Plans for the removal of the Russian capital to Moscow are now under consideration at Petrograd, according to word reaching here today.

Though Petrograd is in no danger at present from the German field armies, the German fleet at latest report, was menacing Riga, the capture of which would permit the landing of troops from transports.

The strength of the Russian fleet probably would prevent long defense by the Czar's troops in the Baltic provinces.

From a strategic standpoint, Moscow would make a much better military center than Petrograd. Enormous difficulties would have to be overcome by the Germans before they could reach the ancient capital.

HUMAN BEINGS COLLIDE; ONE BITES OFF AN EAR

Trophy Taken in Fierce Fight Caused by Excessive Thinking

Deep thinking cost Barman Garasano his liberty today and Albert Montgomery the other's soul.

RECTOR'S BODY HOME

Remains of the Rev. H. McK. Moore Found in River at Trenton

PEACHES "DIRT CHEAP"

Forty Carloads on Sale at 8 and 10 Cents a Basket

GERMANS TAKE NOVO GEORGIEVSK AND 85,000 MEN

Great Russian Fortress and Huge Slav Army Captured by Teutons

SIX GENERALS PRISONERS Last Vistula Stronghold Smashed by Howitzers After Siege of Twelve Days

By a Staff Correspondent ATLANTIC CITY, Aug. 20.—Fire immediately on the beach front, which threatened the Strand Hotel and Haddon Hall nearby, and which has already gutted a half dozen small shops adjoining the hotel on the boardwalk, is racing along the entire block between Pennsylvania and North Carolina avenues.

Smoke was first seen at 12:30 last night. The boardwalk was thronged with its usual sightseers, and instantly a crowd of 20,000 persons pressed around the place, being held back with difficulty by the police.

From the Porto Rico shop the fire spread to the Dietrich Photograph gallery, at 1107, where the highly inflammable materials sent out sheets of flame, almost overwhelming the firemen.

Properties in which the fire started are owned by Mayor William Riddle and held in the name of the Mary A. Riddle Company, one of the stockholders of which is Louis Kuehnle.

KAISER ON SCENE

Novo Georgievsk was captured under the eyes of Emperor William himself, he hurriedly arrived there while the German troops were making their attacks.

NURSE SACRIFICES LIFE TO SAVE DYING WOMAN

Miss Mary Eva Waidelich, of Woman's Medical Staff, a Martyr to Duty

On a rainy night in November, 1914, a woman went from door to door of little streets in a congested district downtown.

BRIDE ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

Shoots Herself Because She Thinks Her Husband No Longer Loves Her

"My husband didn't love me any more and I decided to end it all," moaned Mrs. Frances New, a young bride, to the police, after attempting suicide in her home by shooting herself.

FIRE SWEEPS BLOCK ALONG BOARDWALK

Hotel Strand and Haddon Hall at Atlantic City Menaced by Flames

MANY STORES ABLAZE Shops Between Pennsylvania and North Carolina Avenues Quickly Consumed

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COTTON CONTRABAND, U. S. TOLD OFFICIALLY

Allied Governments to Stand Behind Market to Prevent Depression of Prices

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QUICK NEWS

KAISER GIVES IRON CROSS TO SOCIALIST LEADER

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 20.—Political importance, it is reported from Berlin, is attached to the announcement by the newspaper Vorwarts that Emperor William has bestowed the iron cross of the first class on Albert Sudekum, a Socialist leader, for bravery in battle.

FREE POSTAGE FOR SOLDIERS ON FRONT

PARIS, Aug. 20.—An agreement has been signed between France and Italy by which letters and postal cards from the soldiers of one country to correspondents in another shall be carried postage free, while letters from civilians living in either country shall bear domestic postage only.

EIGHT CARS DITCHED; PASSENGERS ESCAPE DEATH

DENVER, Aug. 20.—Eight cars are reported to have been ditched yesterday, injuring a score of the 200 passengers on the Western Pacific's No. 1 westbound train, today. Reports at the local offices merely say there was an accident at Halleck, Nev. The injured are being taken westward.

1300 STRIKE FOR EIGHT-HOUR DAY

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Aug. 20.—Thirteen hundred operatives at the Bryan Electric Company, mostly women, walked out today, in a demand for an eight-hour day and other concessions.

D'ANNUNZIO AND PUCCINI TO WRITE OPERA ON WAR

VENICE, Aug. 20.—Giacomo Puccini, the Italian composer, has arrived in Venice from a visit to the front. During his trip he met Gabriele D'Annunzio, the poet, who is serving as a lieutenant in the army. D'Annunzio has agreed to write the libretto of an opera dealing with the European war in an allegorical manner. Puccini is to compose the score.

WILSON AUTOS HERE; CAPITAL WORRIES WHEN HE VANISHES

Comes to Consult Dr. De Schweinitz, Oculist, and Will Return to Washington Late This Afternoon

NATION SUFFERS A CHILL

President Wilson arrived in this city at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon by automobile from Washington. In another car that kept just behind the one occupied by the President were six secret service men.

The President's entourage went direct to the office of Dr. George E. De Schweinitz, at 1705 Chestnut street. Before the door of the President's car had been opened, the secret service men were on the sidewalk.

The trip to this city, made by way of Baltimore, was uneventful. The President will return to Washington late today by motorcar. He came to this city to have his eyes examined.

A United States today. Sensitive points like Washington, D. C., and Wall street, Manhattan, reported shocks of unusual violence. At other points nothing out of the ordinary was observed.

The President left the White House at 7:30 o'clock this morning. He didn't think it necessary to have cards telling of his departure, with a map of his route, sent out here and there in Washington, so it was not generally known that he had gone.

About two hours later some one asked for the President, however, and learned that he had left Washington in a White House motorcar, trailed by another occupied by secret service men. It was not known where he had gone.

The President has left Washington. Nobody knows where he has gone. The shivering in the spine became more violent. Special correspondents started to reserve wires to their newspapers.

1000 ARMENIAN WOMEN AND CHILDREN BURNED

PETROGRAD, Aug. 20.—One thousand Armenian women and children were locked in a wooden building by Kurdish tribesmen near Van and the building then set afire, according to dispatches received here today, reporting the renewal of atrocities against the Armenians. A few of the women broke out, but the majority perished.

HUNDREDS VISIT P. & R.'S NEW OFFICE

Hundreds of persons today visited the new city ticket office of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway, in the Widener Building, Juniper and Chestnut streets. It is the second day of the inspection to which Edison J. Weeks, general passenger agent, has invited the public.

LOST AND FOUND

WHAT DID YOU FIND? All lost articles advertised in the Ledger will be listed in a permanent list at Ledger Office and waiting for you at the advertisement. Apply for your list at Ledger Office. If you have found an article that has not been advertised in the Ledger, will also assist in finding the rightful owner, who will be pleased to touch with you. This is all other service at Ledger Office is free.