

U. S. WARSHIPS SPEED TO SAVE U-BOAT VICTIMS

Destroyers Rescue 80 From Two Torpedoed Merchant Ships

By J. W. PEGLER
WITH THE AMERICAN DESTROYER FLOTILLA IN BRITISH WATERS, June 20.

After a record-breaking dash at night in response to wireless distress calls, two American destroyers arrived at their base in an English port today with eighty survivors of two torpedoed merchant ships.

The rescues were made at a point at sea farther from land than any torpedoing had previously been reported.

The total "run" on this strand of mercy was several hundred miles. Thirty-one survivors from one ship were picked up in boats, and 1,116 from the other. Both ships had gone down when the American warships appeared on the scene and picked up the survivors, who were drifting about in boats. Four sailors were killed by submarine shellfire.

Vice Admiral Sims, the American fleet commander, who is now in charge of all Allied naval operations in this section, personally talked with a number of the survivors on their arrival in port.

The flag of the American vice admiral now floats from a flagstaff on a promontory on the coast, where it is visible for miles at sea.

RECRUITING AT AMBULANCE CAMP TO END THIS WEEK

More Men Arriving Daily—Final Assignments Will Be Made June 25

ALLENTOWN, Pa., June 20.—It was announced from headquarters of the U. S. army ambulance concentration camp here today that final assignments to units will be completed by June 25, after which no new men will be received in the camp. Recruiting ends with this week. There are 1100 men in camp today.

Among the new arrivals are twenty-three from Philadelphia, thirty-three from New York city and sixteen unattached from various parts of the country. Yale University units and some from California are expected soon. This is also true of 180 men from Chicago and three units from Cleveland. Men are due to arrive shortly from the University of Pennsylvania to complete the fourth unit of Old Penn.

Men prominent in college athletics are well represented here. Fordham University has all of its baseball team and nine of its football team in its unit.

William Harlan, nephew of Newton D. Baker, as sergeant major at headquarters. Thomas B. Barry, son of General Barry, commander of the Central Division, U. S. army, is a first sergeant in camp. Michael Murphy, Jr., son of the late Penn track coach, is awaiting the arrival of a Yale unit of which he is a member.

Coupling liberality with patriotism, Weightman Fabries, 2023 Walnut street, Philadelphia, gave three automobiles to the Government for ambulance use. He has joined Unit 29 George W. Wagoner, a Pennsylvania medical student, recruited two units in his home town, Johnstown, Pa.

The army Y. M. C. A. tent has become very popular. The work is in charge of H. B. Howell, of Holyoke, Mass. He is assisted by Robert W. Searle, New Brunswick, N. J., and J. Carl Travis, of Butler, Pa. An athletic director and another associate are expected to arrive soon. The tent is 40 by 50 feet, pitched over a platform. It is electrically lighted and furnished with writing and reading tables and musical instruments.

JERSEY TO GET OFFICER ACCUSED OF MURDER

Dr. William J. Condon to Be Extradited by Tennessee Authorities. Prisoner Calm

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., June 20.—Dr. William J. Condon, army medical captain, held here charged with murdering in New Brunswick, N. J., John V. Piper, college man, will be turned over to New Jersey civil authorities without protest of the War Department, it was stated here today.

The statement cleared away doubts that Condon's army connection might seriously delay attempts to bring him to trial, especially in view of the war and the oncoming draft.

Stoical under a cross-fire of questioning, Condon, after what his guards reported a quiet night, refused pointblank this morning to discuss the charges against him—charges embodying one of the most mysterious crimes of recent years.

The suspect slept soundly last night and partook of a normal dinner and breakfast without apparent nervousness.

Little is known of him by fellow officers here other than his markedly reticent behavior.

New Jersey authorities are expected here tomorrow to claim Condon.

Two Accused in Ketchell's Death Freed

POTTSVILLE, Pa., June 20.—The Grand Jury ignored the bills of indictment against Eddie Revoir and his manager, Herman Hindin, and Referee Frank P. O'Brien, all of Philadelphia, who were held for the death of K. O. Ketchell, Ketchell and Revoir had met in a ten-round bout at Shenandoah. In the ninth round, Ketchell collapsed. He died freely. He was taken to the State Hospital at Fountain Springs, where he died a few hours afterward of hemorrhages. The men were released from custody.

Delay Costs Compensation Slain
HARRISBURG, June 20.—In disallowing the compensation claim of Mary Thomas for the death of her husband while in the employ of the Lackawanna Railroad, State Compensation Commissioner Leach declares "the board will look with suspicion on claims where the parties interested have been guilty of unreasonable and unexplained delay. No notice of an accident was given until after filing of the claim for compensation, almost eleven months later."

GRAVE CRISIS IN AUSTRIA AFTER CABINET QUILTS

Formation of New Ministry Seems Almost Impossible

SERIOUS BREAK WITH GERMANY FORESEEN

Petrograd Sees Influence of Russian Revolution in Dual Monarchy

TEUTONS ADMIT PERIL

VIENNA, June 20.

Reports were current in semi-official circles today that Count Tarnowski, former Austro-Hungarian Ambassador to the United States, will be the first premier of the new Kingdom of Poland. Count Tarnowski is in Warsaw now.

PARIS, June 20.

Prague, the capital of Bohemia, has been the scene of a strong revolutionary movement for several days, said a dispatch to the Matin today. The Czechs' committee of workmen are scattering proclamations calling for a constituent assembly of Czech peoples.

The political situation is again becoming the military one on the war front.

Dispatches from London, Amsterdam and Vienna today confirm the report of the resignation of the Austrian Cabinet of Count Clam-Martinić, due to the revolt of the Polish and other Slav Deputies in the Austrian Parliament. The government is without a majority. The formation of a new cabinet that would satisfy the rebellious elements seems almost impossible. Emperor Karl is facing a crisis of utmost gravity.

The defection of the Poles was accompanied by violent denunciation of Germany on the floor of Parliament, particularly of Germany's foreign policy and the hanging of 20,000 Poles in Russian Poland for revolutionary activities.

Berlin considers the crisis as very serious, and some German papers foresee the dissolution of the dual monarchy and the annexation of German Austria to Germany.

Petrograd, however, regards the Austro-Hungarian crisis as indicating a breach between the Central Empires, and asserts that the break, although still unofficial, is due entirely to the effects of the Russian revolution and its foreign policy of "no annexations, no indemnities and the rights of all nations to determine their own destiny."

Similar declarations are re-echoed among the Socialist leaders assembled for the international Socialist conference at Stockholm.

The American Socialist party, through a special envoy, Dr. Max Goldfarb, a Russian on his way to Petrograd from New York, has presented its peace program to the conference. Disarmament, the formation of an international peace league and the policy of no forcible annexations and no punitive indemnities for the nations now at war are the chief features of the program. The American Socialists are opposed to a separate peace, but want a general peace as quickly as possible.

The separate-peace movement has received its final blow by the forced resignation of M. Hoffmann, Swiss Foreign Minister, who, together with the Swiss Professor Grimm, just expelled from Russia, has been active in German separate-peace intrigues.

NEW AUSTRIAN RULER FACES GRAVE CRISIS

LONDON, June 20.

The youthful Emperor of Austria was confronted today with his most difficult task as a ruler since assuming the throne. The entire Austrian Cabinet, headed by Count Clam-Martinić, has resigned. Dispatches received from Vienna, via Amsterdam, today emphasized the difficulties which the Government must overcome in order to obtain a Cabinet which will receive sufficient support from the various factions in the empire to survive.

Formal announcement by the Poles that they would refuse to deal with Clam-Martinić's Ministry was directly responsible for the resignations of those advisers. The Slav parties have been anti-Government, and with defection of the Poles the anti forces held a majority in the Reichsrath. Judging from the cautious comment of the German press on the Ministry's fall, the Germans regard the situation as grave.

AMSTERDAM, June 20.

The Austrian Cabinet crisis precipitated by the Polish members of the Reichsrath, is causing much annoyance to official circles in Berlin, according to a dispatch from the German capital today.

Polish members of the Reichsrath, in



COUNT TARNOWSKI
Semi-official reports current in Vienna today indicate that the former Austro-Hungarian Ambassador to the United States, now in Warsaw, will be the first Premier of the new kingdom of Poland.

speeches on the war budget, violently attacked Germany for her policy and the hanging of 20,000 Poles and their country against the Government was palpably a victory for the anti-German forces.

A sensational article indicating that Germany looks for the partition of Austria-Hungary is printed in the Frankfurter Zeitung. It also indicated increasing friction between the two countries. The newspaper argues that the 10,000,000 Germans living in Austria will not permit the good Austrians and good Germans simultaneously.

PETROGRAD SEES RUSSIAN INFLUENCE IN AUSTRIA

PETROGRAD, June 20.

The revolt of the Polish deputies in the Austrian Parliament and the resultant resignation of the Cabinet of Count Clam-Martinić, reported in Vienna dispatches, are regarded as the most serious manifestation of a grave breach in the Teutonic alliance yet produced by the war.

It is attributed entirely to the influence of the Russian revolution. Ever since New Russia declared its policy of "no forcible annexations, no punitive indemnities and



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the rights of all peoples to determine their own destiny," the subject, nationalities of Austria-Hungary took up the cudgels for autonomy and independence with great energy. The defection of the Poles leaves the Austrian Government without a majority in Parliament, the other Slav factions having previously withdrawn their support. The Poles demanded the union of Galicia to Russia and German Poland for the purpose of reviving the old, independent Poland on a free, republican basis. Such a state would be the most serious obstacle yet evoked to the realization of the Mitteleuropa dream of the Pan-Germans.

A prominent diplomat speaking unofficially and holding no official position in the Russian foreign office, said today that the revolt of the Polish Deputies is another proof of the contention in many Allied quarters that the Central Powers are held together more by pressure from without than exertion from within.

"It seems to me," said the diplomat, "that a revision of their war aims by the Allies along the lines laid down by revolutionary Russia would go a great deal toward creating even still greater disintegration in the ranks of the Pan-Germans, thus forcing them to throw up their hands and announce a peace offer that may serve as a feasible basis for negotiation."

Bitter Food Bill Fight Launched in Senate

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wheat growers \$250,000,000 and the corn growers \$500,000,000.

To the argument that the President could stop shipments of food to neutrals who are transshipping it to Germany through execution of the embargo section of the espionage law, which he has now signed, spokesmen of the food control measure replied: "But he can't stop such agents—even German secret agents—from buying up vast quantities and holding it in storage. Under the food bill, and only under the food bill, is this impossible."

Chamberlain, Kenyon and other supporters of the measure pleaded for speedy action.

"Delay immediate passage of this measure," was the purpose of their arguments, "and we will indeed have famine and worse throughout the land."

"Speculators are allies of the German Kaiser," declared Kenyon. "We can kill them off if we pass this bill quickly. One should apologize for calling the speculators highwaymen, for highwaymen and sea pirates of the lowest type are Christian gentlemen compared with them. We are con-

tending the babies of the poor shall have food; that no huge fortunes shall be made of it, either. Foodstuffs may sincerely say, 'Let the people eat grass.' Marie Antoinette may jeer, 'Let them eat cake.' I say they do not propose to eat grass, and they have no chance to eat cake. The Government must replace the middlemen. When we are paying more for food than they are in London something is wrong. I would far sooner have a food-control dictator than have the food gamblers dictate to us."

"This bill was not written by the Almighty, but in the departments here," answered Gore. "It will be no sacrifice to change it. Let us have a central food purchasing board instead of what this measure proposes. Such a program would pass quickly."

Horah, of Idaho, declared the measure "has enough generalities to bring on the millennium."

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