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BURLINGTON, ALAMANCE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, TUESDAY AUGUST 24, 1916.

WHITE STAR LINER ARABIC TORPEDOED BY SUBMARINE, 291 SAVED 32 DROWNED.

Twenty-Six Aboard Believed To Have Been Americans; Vessel Sinks In Eleven Min- utes; Survivors Rescued By Other Ships.

WASHINGTON IS SHOCKED AT UNWARNED ATTACK.

Relations With Germany, Already Strained, Made More Tense By Sinking of Ship; News Startles President Wilson.

London, Aug. 20.—The big White Star Line steamer Arabic from Liverpool for New York, was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine at 9:15 o'clock Thursday morning southeast of Fastnet.

The statement, says a White Star Line steamer, was attacked without warning and went down in ten minutes. Of the 423 persons on board (181 passengers and 242 members of the crew) 32 are believed to have perished. Most of those have not been accounted for belong to the crew. Only six passengers are reported missing.

Whether any of those not accounted for are Americans has not yet been determined, but there were only 26 citizens of the United States on board, 22 in the second cabin and four in the stowage.

The vessel had no first-class passengers, having been turned into a two-class liner.

Rescued by Vessels.
The survivors, who left the steamer in the ship's boats and were picked up later by passing vessels, arrived in Queenstown tonight and are being cared for in hotels and boarding houses in the little town which so recently cared for the survivors and the dead inhabitants of the Lusitania.

Details of the sinking are lacking but that the loss of life was not greater doubtless was due to the fact that the weather was fine and that steamers plying the German submarine war zone now, keep their boats swung out and otherwise are prepared for emergencies.

The torpedo that sank the Arabic struck her on the starboard side 100 feet from her stern. The vessel had left Liverpool Wednesday afternoon and taken a southerly course, well off the Irish coast, doubtless with a view of avoiding the submarines which frequent the waters nearer the shore.

Near Lusitania Grave.
When some fifty miles west of where the Lusitania was sunk in May, the German underwater boat rose to the surface and launched a torpedo. The marksmanship of the Germans, as in the case of the Lusitania, was deadly accurate and like the Lusitania the big liner quickly settled.

Some of the survivors, according to reports received here, say they had just witnessed the torpedoing of a British steamer, presumably the Dunsley, and that this had caused great alarm. In their fright the passengers had rushed for life preservers and had barely adjusted them when the German submarine turned its torpedo against the vessel's side and shortly disappeared from view.

Then life boats and a number of life rafts were quickly got over the side of the steamer and into these a large number of the passengers and members of the crew scrambled. Many of the passengers, however, fell into the water, but got hold of rafts and later were rescued.

One of the passengers was Kenneth Douglas, well-known English actor.

Mr. Douglas was on the Lusitania when she was sent to the bottom. His good luck followed him again today, for he is among the survivors.

News of New Attack Shocks Wash- ington.

Washington, Aug. 19.—News of the torpedoing of the British steamer Arabic of the White Star line with Americans on board, came as a shock to officials of the United States government who had hoped since the dispatch of the last American note there would be no further aggravation of an already tense situation between the United States and Germany.

Official information was meagre, and it was only through press dispatches that it was heard here that the vessel was torpedoed without warning. While it was recognized that a canvas of the survivors might reveal that no American lives were lost, the torpedoing without warning of a vessel carrying Americans has in itself been pronounced by the United States government as a violation of its rights which if repeated would be regarded as "deliberately unfriendly."

Last Note Final.
In the last note to Germany which it was generally accepted was the final word on the principles of the question from the United States Secretary Lansing used the following language in referring to violations of American rights in the war zone:

"Friendship itself prompts it (the United States government) to say to the Imperial government that repetition by the commanders of German naval vessels of acts in contravention of those rights must be regarded by the government of the United States, when they affect American citizens, as deliberately unfriendly."

What the course of the United States would be no official would predict because of the absence of detailed information. It must be established authoritatively whether any warning was given and whether the vessel attempted to escape. If no American lives were lost, though in most quarters tonight, drastic steps were improbable, but in the event it is found Americans were drowned, a rupture in diplomatic relations was everywhere discussed as likely.

GERMAN WARSHIP, 7 CRUISERS SUNK BY RUSSIANS' GUNS IN BATTLE OF RIGA

Battleship Moltke, of 23,000 Tons, Sent
to Bottom in Fierce Engagement—
Teuton Vessels Quit Gulf Following
Fight.

Czar's Destroyers in Black Sea Sink
More Than 100 Turkish Boats, Says
Official Statement; Moltke Carried
1,107 Men; Visited United States
in 1912, and Cost Germany \$12,000,000.

BURLINGTON SOCIETY ITEMS.

A delightful time was spent last week by a party of young people who went camping at Suptin's Mill, on Chigre Island, 17 miles from here. They were chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Albright of Graham. The entire week was spent in bathing, fishing, rowing, motoring and other outdoor pleasures. Those composing the party were: Misses Ora Shoffner and Louise Murray and Jake Murray, David Curtis and Walter Bason, of Burlington; Misses Jessie Phillips, Duke McCracken, Julia Cooper and Conley Albright, Robert Tate and George Harden, of Graham, and Sam and Jerry Bason of Swepsonville.

Miss Jennie Bass Brown gave a party at her home on Front street Monday afternoon, 4:30 to 6:30, in honor of her guests, Misses Mary and Katie Bell Coughman of Lexington, S. C. Progressive hearts was the feature of the afternoon, played at five tables, the prize a crepe de chine handkerchief, being won by Miss Jolietta Halsey.

The guests of honor were presented with hand-crocheted centerpieces. Miss Byrde Dsiley gave several piano selections. Misses Gladys Brown and Virginia Williamson served an ice course to the visitors.

Miss Ada Guthrie was hostess at a delightful reception at her home on Glebe road Friday evening, 8:30 to 11:30, in honor of her visitor, Miss Kathryn Terry of Reidsville. The hall, parlor and porch were profusely decorated in goldenrod, the color scheme of green and gold being carried out in the kewpie score-cards and refreshments. There were eight tables arranged on the spacious porch for progressive hearts, and this was played an hour. Refreshments, consisting of ice cream frozen in heart shape and cake were served. There were 35 present.

The amateur performers, who recently gave two short comedies, "Not a Man in the House" and "The Obstinate Family," for the benefit of the Methodist Philathea class, were given a picnic last Saturday afternoon and evening at Fort Saug. The party went out at 5 o'clock in automobiles and were welcomed by Robert L. Holt, the host and prince of entertainers. They went immediately to the boat house and occupied the row boats and spent the next two hours rowing and drifting on the lovely river. Then a sumptuous supper was served in the lovely dining room. This was followed by Victrola music and cosy chats in the many comfortable nooks around this lovely spot. Iced lemonade was served by the host. At 9:30 they returned home. The following enjoyed the occasion: Misses Ada Guthrie, Terry of Reidsville; Thelma Thurston, Blanche Storey, Esther and Beryl Taylor, Ella and Florine Robertson, and Imogen Scott; and W. I. Ward of Graham, Roy Johnson of Haw River, B. B. Slaughter of Murfreesboro, Ben May, R. E. Welsh, F. A. Riley, Claude Fonville, John Lasley and W. S. Coulter.

Misses Esther and Beryl Taylor were hostesses to the Methodist Philathea class at their home on Park Avenue Tuesday evening at 8:30, the occasion being the losing half of the class entertaining the winning half of a recent contest in money-making. A large crowd of the young ladies and their friends gathered there and were made welcome. Miss Lula Tisdale sang some sweet songs, and Prof. John W. Lasley gave several deli-

ful readings. An advertising contest was the feature of the evening and afforded very much amusement. Refreshments consisting of banana split, ice cream and cake were served.

The Front Street Methodist Sunday School held its annual picnic in the grove on J. M. Hayes's suburban home Thursday afternoon, the party going over on the 3 o'clock car. All kinds of games and amusements were indulged in. Watermelons in profusion, fruits and a splendid supper were served to the young people. They returned home at 8 o'clock.

The Presbyterian Sunday School held its annual picnic at Piedmont park at the same time. They went over at 4 o'clock and remained until 8, playing games, swinging, chatting and eating supper, fruits and melons.

Miss Ella Rae Carroll has returned home from Siler City, where she was a guest of honor at a party on Monday night, given by Misses Dorothy Haskney and Margaret Goodwin, and a day ride picnic Tuesday night by the same ladies and their friends.

Miss Gertrude Ellis, who spent last week in Lexington, has returned home. While there she was the recipient of a couple of honors, one being a rook party Friday morning by Miss Brinkly and the other a rook party Friday afternoon by Miss Helen Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McLean, of Anderson, S. C., E. C. and J. B. McLean of New York city, and Miss Kate McLean of Whitsett were here this week visiting relatives and friends.

PROMINENT ALAMANCE COUNTY MAN DIES FROM PARALYSIS.

Burlington, Aug. 20.—Thaddeus L. Moser died at his home at Rock Creek, in the southern part of the county, Thursday evening at 7:30, after but four hours' illness with paralysis, at the age of 65 years.

About a year ago Mr. Moser was paralyzed, but got better and had been in fairly good health, until the end came rather suddenly.

He leaves a wife, three sons, Jerry Moser, cashier of one of Greensboro's banks, Dr. W. D. Moser and I. C. Moser, a rising young attorney, both of Burlington, and four daughters, Misses Sallie and Anne, who live at home, and Mesdames A. V. Fuliss and W. A. Johnson, of Rock Creek.

The funeral was held Saturday morning at St. Paul's Lutheran church where he has been a member all his life, his pastor, Rev. V. R. Stickley, conducting the service.

Mr. Moser was one of the county's most substantial planters, prominent citizen and progressive business man and has raised a family that would do credit to any man. He was well and widely known throughout the county and section.

NOTHING FURTHER ON CASE OF THE ARABIC RECEIVED YES- TERDAY.

The Official Reports Are Being Eagerly
Awaited—All Opinions Withheld

State Department Officials Are Main-
taining an Open Mind on Question—
Correct Facts Desired.

President and Secretary Lansing are
Determined That There Shall be no
Precipitate Action—The Possibilities
are Varied.

ARABIC UNWARNED OF ATTACK IN WHICH AMERICANS LOSE LIVES

Tension Increased As Washington Learns Facts of Latest German Outrage

Wilson Awaits Details—Vessel Was
Bound For New York and Carried
No Contraband; Censorship Delays
Details From London; Explanation
Expected From Berlin on Reason
For Submarine's Action.

TWO AMERICANS, 43 OTHERS WENT DOWN ON ARABIC.

London, Aug. 20.—At least five passengers, two of whom were Americans, and forty members of the crew lost their lives when the White Star Liner Arabic was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine off Fastnet yesterday morning. Nine other passengers are missing and are believed to have perished.

The two Americans who went down with the ship were Mrs. Josephine Bruguere of New York, and Edmund T. Woods. Mrs. Bruguere was thrown into the water and was kept afloat for some time by her son, Louis, who was forced to relinquish his hold when he was struck by a piece of wreckage. Nothing was seen of Woods after the steamer was struck.

Most of the missing members of the crew belonged to the engineers staff. They remained at their posts and went down with the ship. Captain Finch and the other officers say the submarine gave them no warning. They declare the torpedo was fired as they were going to the rescue of the steamer Dunsley which had just been torpedoed, presumably by the same submarine.

That the loss of life was not much heavier was due to the preparations made by the officers in view of the possibility of an attack while passing through the "war zone", to the fine weather which prevailed and to the splendid discipline maintained by the crew.

The Americans were cared for at Queenstown by the United States Consul. With the other passengers they left Ireland for England tonight.

DEATH OF MR. CATES.

This entire community and neighboring vicinity was sadly shocked by the death of Mr. Peter Webster Cates which occurred early Monday morning, August 16th. For several weeks Mr. Cates lingered a vicinity of no little agony. At times it was hoped that he might recover, exercising himself as he did and receiving the most devoted attention of numerous friends, but during the still shades of Sunday night, the final summons arrived.

The body of the deceased, accompanied by an enormous train of relatives, companions and friends, was taken, Monday afternoon, to Moore's Chapel for burial. Rev. R. P. Ellington conducted the funeral services, assisted by Rev. G. W. Holmes. People had assembled from miles around to pay their last tribute of respect to their esteemed brother. Expressions of their regard was shown by attractive floral designs presented at the grave. There has not been a larger congregation witnessed at this place for some time.

Mr. Cates has lived for many years a prosperous farmer among his host of friends near Saxapahaw. A real support, he had become in his community. Long years ago Moore's

Chapel Baptist Church was organized with him as charter member. His life being thus directed. We feel a deep loss in church life by a strengthly consecrated brother; in the secular world, of a noble type of kindest manhood. We realize and rejoice to know that in our sore grief, we unitedly mourn the loss of one whose life was spent in the service of the righteous. Indeed that kind, sweet, compassionate spirit of the Divine Nazarine did thrive within the mind and soul of this one, leading him to exhaust strength and energy in doing his utmost for his fellowmen. Such a brilliant light has gone out from among us! What a wise king of the throne of Home has resigned his earthly labors!

Notwithstanding the extreme sorrow and bereavement which we are called to endure, there is for us yet a consolation inexpressible. We would not in our lamentations be unmindful of the perfect ease and redeeming place which becomes that rich heritage of our loved, and departed brother. Truly for him to live is Christ, but to die is gain.

Even in his absence who yet survive are constrained to follow more closely the foot prints that make our pathway glow. He lived not to himself neither did he die to himself. That delightful communion, hallowed influence and holy memories of one so just, must continue to draw us upward and onward long after his being placed beneath the silent confines of the tomb. Not only was his life among us inspiring and his endeavors fruitful, but the perpetuation of his labors in the life of others may produce untold yields of a harvest most bountiful. His discontinued efforts, though silent in their working are far reaching in their results, and may never be fully appreciated until we quit the shores of time and hasten to that delightful clime where our dear brother extends a welcoming hand, bidding us come and forever dwell in that land, Celestial.

A FRIEND.

TOWNSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The Burlington Sunday School Convention was held in the Methodist Protestant Church last Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The convention was presided over by the Township Chairman, Mr. C. B. Way.

The principal speaker on the program was Dr. W. A. Harper, of Elon College, who delivered a most splendid and magnificent address on "The Prepared Teacher." Other addresses were made by Hon. E. S. W. Dameron, Rev. A. B. Kendall and Prof. J. B. Robertson.

The election of Township officers resulted in the following: C. B. Way, Chairman; J. R. Foster, Vice Chairman; James P. Montgomery, Secretary & Treasurer.

"Oh, doctor, I'm so glad you've come! We just had such a scare. We thought at first that the baby had swallowed a \$5 gold piece." "And you found out that he hasn't?" "Yes. Thank goodness, it's only a quarter."—Boston Transcript.

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