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ZEPPELINS AND SUBMARINES FIGURE IN TODAY'S WAR NEWS

Airships Make Raid on English Coast Counties But Most of Bombs Drop in Rural Districts—Sinking of the Transylvania Most Deadly Submarine Work in Many Weeks—Military Operations in France Comparatively Quiet—Counter Attacks by the Germans Repulsed.

London, May 24.—Four or five German airships raided the eastern counties of England according to an official announcement this morning. The airships dropped bombs. They were pursued. According to the statement one man was killed. The material damage was slight.

(By Associated Press.)
The Zeppelin and submarine figure most prominently in the war news of the day, with raids by airships on English coast counties announced and the sinking of the 14,000 ton British transport Transylvania officially reported. The submarine did its deadliest work in many weeks in the torpedoing of the Transylvania in the Mediterranean on May 4th, 413 lives being lost.

The Zeppelin raid began shortly before midnight and seems like other raids since the British defense measures were perfected to have been a rather abortive affair. Four airships penetrated inland above thick rain clouds which handicapped the raiders as well as the British defense forces. The Zeppelins had little success in locating positions and bombs dropped fell in the country districts, the report indicating the damage caused as being negligible, while the only casualty was one man killed in Norfolk village. The Zeppelins got away from the pursuing airplanes in the thick weather.

The last previous visit of Zeppelins to England was March 17, when 27 bombs were reported dropped in rural districts. The Zeppelin L-22 was apparently approaching the English coast March 14th when attacked by British forces and destroyed.

Military operations in France are in one of their periodical states of comparative quietude. The French front is the liveliest, the Germans retreating there after the recent French success.

Counter attacks on the Vauclerc plateau last night were repulsed immediately with heavy losses to the Germans.

The Paris war office officially announces that so far in May 8,600 wounded Germans were captured in the field of the French offensive between Soissons and Auberive.

Naval Activity in the Baltic.
London, May 24.—Pronounced German naval activity in the Baltic on Tuesday was reported in a Central News dispatch from Copenhagen. Yesterday violent cannonading lasting through the night was heard by persons living on shore. Houses in Southern Danish island shook from the concussion.

Italian Steamer Torpedoed.
Paris, May 24.—It is officially announced that the French liner Sontay, bound for Marseilles from Salonika with 344 passengers was torpedoed on April 16th, with a loss of 45 people.

Italians Make Gains.
London, May 24.—The Italian offensive entered into its second stage when it was reported that the British general F. B. Maurice to the Associated Press today. The first day of the new drive resulted in the capture of more than 3,000 prisoners. General Maurice said all the objectives of the Italians had been gained and that details of the operations would be given in the official communication from Rome later in the day.

Nine Thousand Prisoners Taken.
Rome via London, May 24.—The Italian forces broke through the Austro-Hungarian line from Castagnazza to the sea, taking more than 9,000 prisoners, says the official statement issued by the Italian war department.

Italian airplanes to the number of 130 dropped ten tons of bombs on the Austro-Hungarians. The British batteries co-operated with the Italians.

BANK ROBBER KILLED.
Ardmore, Okla., May 24.—As a result of an attempt to rob the First State Bank of Tulsa today one robber was shot to death in the bank and the cashier and two of the other bandits are dying of wounds.

FOR AN AMBULANCE.

The finance committee of the local Red Cross chapter is ready to begin a canvass for funds with which to buy an ambulance for the American Red Cross and will ask every one in the city and out side, too, to contribute for this purpose.

Statesville raised more than \$2,000 for the ambulance which that city is to give and stopped the subscription after more than enough was realized. Salisbury can do as well, and the committee hopes that it will be only a matter of a few days until the whole amount desired is paid in.

With the American soldiers in the battle line the American Red Cross must be just behind the line with doctors, nurses, ambulances and thousands and thousands of supplies. This means an outlay of millions of dollars and the Government looks to the Red Cross to furnish these millions. In turn the head chapter looks to the individual chapter and the local chapter must call on the local community.

So the head chapter looks to Salisbury chapter for an ambulance and the local chapter looks to the people of the county of Rowan. The man in the street, in the office, at the quarry, on the farm, everywhere is looked to for a lift and the opportunity is at hand.

The committee is ready to begin a canvass, but why not make a canvass unnecessary, look up a committee member and give the subscriptions readily. In Statesville the contributions came from individuals in amount from \$100 down to \$1.00. The city of Statesville gave \$200, and with that amount pledged the sums ranged down to the one dollar gift, lot of them, and the whole amount to more than was needed and asked.

We can do just as well as our neighbor and we must. The task will be easy and the burden evenly distributed will hurt no one, so let's delay not a moment in getting the sum necessary for putting an ambulance in the field from the good people of Salisbury. Let's coin our patriotism into money and put the money into an ambulance for the benefit of the American soldiers.

CONDITIONS IMPROVE IN MARKETING TRUCK.

Express Companies Are Exerting Themselves to Handle Vegetables From Eastern Carolina.

Washington, May 23.—Representative Hood has been advised by the Interstate Commerce Commission that it has made a thorough investigation of the complaints of truck growers in getting their produce to market, and the express companies are exerting themselves to remedy these conditions. They report great improvement in the service since April 24.

John R. Higgins, mayor of Goldsboro, was here yesterday on his way to Goldsboro, with the remains of Ben Marshall, a relative, who died in Baltimore.

W. E. Gebers, of Goldsboro, was here yesterday on business.

U. S. to Test U-Boat "Killer" Inventions on Broader Scale.
Washington, May 23.—Investigations of reported inventions to thwart the German submarines are to be undertaken by the Government on a scale not hitherto attempted, it was declared by Secretary of the Navy Daniels today.

The announcement was made in connection with the statement of Hudson Maxim that he has perfected a device that will make ships immune from torpedoes. The Secretary would not discuss the Maxim invention, but said that the Navy Consulting Board has already made such progress in experiments that its work can now be greatly extended.

GREAT SCOTT! LET'S HOPE SHE ISN'T GOING TO BE A WALL FLOWER!



BRITISH TRANSPORT SUNK BY TORPEDO

The Transylvania is Sent to the Bottom in the Mediterranean With Loss of 413 Lives.

CAPTAIN OF SHIP AND 29 OFFICERS LOST

German Submarine Gets a Transport and With a Number of Soldiers on May Fourth.

(By Associated Press.)
London, May 24.—The British transport Transylvania was torpedoed on May 4th with the loss of 413 persons.

Torpedoed in Mediterranean.
London, May 24.—The Transylvania was torpedoed in the Mediterranean and the following statement was given out:

"The British transport Transylvania with troops aboard was torpedoed on May 4th resulting in the following losses: 29 officers and 373 men of all ranks, also the captain of the ship and one officer and nine men of the crew."

The Transylvania was an Anchor line steamship of 14315 tons gross and had been in the service of the British government since 1915 when her sailings were cancelled. No recent reports of her movements had been received. The Transylvania was built in 1914 and was a passenger ship plying between New York and Mediterranean ports. She was 548 feet long and had a capacity of 2450 passenger.

18 MERCHANTMEN SUNK BY U-BOATS THE PAST WEEK.

London, May 23.—The sinking of 18 merchantmen of more than 1,600 tons is reported in the weekly shipping statement.

Nine vessels of less than 1,600 tons and three fishing vessels also were sunk.

For the third week in succession the losses of British shipping from the submarine war have been held substantially below the large figures which caused so much alarm last month. The losses reported last week were considerably less than half those of the preceding week as regards the number of vessels sunk and the report given out today shows only a small increase over last week.

Columbus Gets Presbyterians.
(By Associated Press.)
Dallas, Texas, May 24.—The General Assembly of the Presbyterian church in the United States of America (North) today voted unanimously to hold the 1918 assembly at Columbus, Ohio.

TRAINS ON SOUTHERN TO BE DISCONTINUED

In Order to Save Expenses, Release Men and Equipment the Road Will Discontinue Some Trains—Army and Navy Needs Are Responsible and This is Especially True as to Southern States—Public Interest Will Be Safeguarded.

PROPER APPLICATION AS FILED.

Raleigh, May 24.—The Southern Railway today filed a petition with the State Corporation Commission asking permission to readjust the schedule of trains operated wholly or in part in North Carolina.

The railroad proposes to make two passenger trains mixed trains and discontinue sixteen trains.

Officials of the road announced that discontinuance of trains was through a system proposed in order to conserve coal supply, release men and equipment and clear the track for the handling of troops and supplies for the army and navy.

(Special to the Post.)
Washington, D. C., May 24.—Discontinuance of some of the passenger trains on the Southern Railway in order to conserve the coal supply, to release men and equipment and to clear the tracks for the efficient handling of troops and supplies for the army and navy is asked of the various railroad commissions in the states traversed by the Southern's lines in a letter forwarded Wednesday to the individual commissioners by E. H. Coagman, vice president in charge of operation.

"This step is peculiarly necessary in the South," Mr. Coagman declared in making the announcement public, "on account of the extraordinary demands made upon the Southern by reason of the large concentration camps to be located in the South which will largely, if not totally, take the full carrying capacity of this country to the exclusion of other traffic and we hope that the public will co-operate with us and appreciate that what we are asking is for good of the government in this crisis.

"It needs no argument to demonstrate that to respond to this duty of ours to the government the use of every piece of equipment, the energy and effort of every officer and employe will be needed, and the freeing of its tracks and equipment must be made.

"It is imperatively necessary that

the Southern Railway System, together with the other railroads of the United States, be permitted to conserve the utility of its motive power, its cars, its tracks, its number of trains, its class of traffic, and its men. To continue our present elaborate passenger service will render sterile our efforts to meet the required demands of the government in this emergency.

"Already certain commodities have been placed on the preferential list, namely, iron and coal, and other traffic must be subordinated to these. We must give preference to the movement of iron, coal, lumber, copper, and other war supplies, and all food products, for the equipping of the merchant marine, the navy and army, and the feeding of the men; as well as to the movement of troops from one point to another."

In asking for this reduction in its passenger service, Mr. Coagman stated that it would be the Southern's policy to safeguard as far as possible the convenience of the public.

MANY COLD STORAGE SHEEP WAIT SHIPS IN NEW ZEALAND

Newcastle-On-Tyne, April 24.—Two million carcasses of frozen sheep are obtained, recently declared Premier Massey of New Zealand, while on a visit here. By the end of May the number, he said, would be increased to three and a half million carcasses in cold storage in New Zealand waiting shipment but no vessel can be and if shipping could be obtained New Zealand could export this year \$40,000,000 worth of dairy products.

\$1000,000,000 Red Cross Fund.

Washington, May 24.—The new Red Cross War Council began its first conference today for making plans for the \$1,000,000,000 war relief fund. Representatives of more than 40 cities were present. The \$1,000,000,000 fund, under the plan, is to be used not only for the Red Cross relief of Americans but also for the destitute in the foreign war zone, of whatever nationality.

Judging from the dividends paid by Standard Oil, gasoline could be made at a profit and sold at 2 cents a gallon.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

BRAZIL READY TO CO-OPERATE IN WAR

Announcement is Made That Brazil Does Not Declare War But Will Defend Himself.

BRAZILIAN MINISTER MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT

Chambers of Deputy Will Get Details of Diplomatic Exchanges With Berlin Government.

(By Associated Press.)
Rio de Janeiro, May 24.—The Brazilian foreign minister declared in the council of the ministry that it was not necessary for Brazil to declare war on Germany, because she had been forced into war by circumstances.

He said the torpedoing of the Brazilian steamer Tijuca had not essentially modified the situation as created by the destruction of the steamer Parana some days earlier.

The minister said in regard to co-operation between Brazil and the United States that the government should devote its entire attention to military and naval organization, especially with respect to co-operating with the United States in policing the South Atlantic and preparing for any eventuality. After the meeting of the council he was asked as to the possibility of a declaration of war on Germany and he said:

"Brazil declares war on no one; she defends herself. It is Germany which declares war on neutrals."

The minister will send to the Chamber of deputies today the result of the inquiry into the sinking of the Tijuca and furnish details of the diplomatic exchanges on the international situation.

MARCONI INVENTOR OF REAL P-B-OAT "KILLER."

Washington, May 23.—The invention of the device that will clear the seas of Germany's U-boats may have to be credited to Italy.

Guglielmo Marconi, inventor of the wireless, has invented a "submarine killer."

Marconi is a member of the Italian war mission to the United States, which reached Washington this afternoon.

In an interview with newspaper men to be given late this afternoon the Italian inventor will tell of his new device to combat the submarine menace, it was declared by a member of the party.

It is to Marconi's invention that the members of the Italian mission credit the destruction of fourteen Austrian and German submarines in the Mediterranean during the last month.

FORMER QUEEN RANVALONA IS DEAD

Died at Her Home in Algiers Where She Had Been Living in Exile Since 1896—Was Deposed Following Anti-Christian Outbreaks.

(By Associated Press.)
Algiers via Paris, May 24.—Former Queen Ranvalona of Madagascar is dead at her home here.

Queen Ranvalona has been living in exile in Algiers since 1896 when she was deposed by France following anti-Christian outbreaks in Madagascar.

Queen Ranvalona became ruler of Madagascar in July 1883. The island at that time was a French protectorate but the native government was abolished by French military authorities after the uprising of 1896.

It was during the French campaign in Madagascar that Marshall Joffre laid the foundation of his military reputation.

FRENCH CHEER JOFFRE.

French Commission Receive a Great Welcome on Their Arrival Home From the United States.

(By Associated Press.)
Paris, May 24.—Enormous crowds cheered a tumultuous welcome to the French commission to the United States on their arrival here from America. After the official reception was over M. Viviani discussing his departure from Washington said:

"I told President Wilson how deeply touched I was by the manifestations of sympathy of the American people. The President replied simply, we are brothers in the same cause."

ITALIAN MISSION RECEIVED.

Washington, May 24.—Prince Udine and members of the Italian mission paid a formal call at the State, War and Navy Buildings shortly before noon today. As they entered they were cheered by crowds and as they passed through the corridors men and women clerks applauded.

Secretary Lansing immediately received the Italians in the diplomatic rooms.

"Bean Ball" Outlawed.

(By Associated Press.)
Chicago, May 24.—The dangerous and highly unsportsmanlike "bean ball" was legislated out of existence here today by the National Commission. It is a ball thrown directly at the batsman's head in an effort to shake his nerve. Pitchers proven guilty will be expelled from the organized game.

Minors Cannot Be Released.

(By Associated Press.)
Birmingham, Ala., May 24.—The question of a soldier being under age cannot be raised after a declaration of war when advantage was not taken of the fact previously is a decision handed down by United State Judge W. I. Grubb of the Northern Alabama District today.

More Millions for the Rockefeller Endowment.

New York, May 23.—A new donation by John D. Rockefeller of \$25,000,000 to the endowment of the Rockefeller Foundation was announced tonight by Dr. George E. Vincent, of Minnesota, who assumed the presidency of the foundation at a meeting of the board of directors today. The new gift increases the resources of the Foundation to \$125,765,000.

Declines to Pardon Gullidge.

(By Associated Press.)
Raleigh, May 24.—Governor Bickett has declined to grant a pardon to John W. Gullidge, former president of the Southern Savings Bank of Wadesboro, sentenced to serve 18 months on the roads in connection with the failure of the institution.

Dr. Waite Dies Tonight.

(By Associated Press.)
Ossing, N. Y., May 24.—Within three days of the first anniversary of his conviction for the murder of his wealthy father-in-law, John Peck of Grand Rapids, Dr. Arthur Warren Waite, a young dentist, will die in the electric chair at 11 o'clock tonight.

Coming After Grain.

The Hague, May 23.—via London.—The minister of Agriculture has requisitioned under the shipping law 22 Dutch vessels, which will proceed to the United States by way of Halifax, in ballast, to bring back 100,000 tons of grain.

Mrs. J. C. Wadsworth and Mrs. S. J. Ervin, of Concord, are spending the day with their sister, Mrs. J. F. Hurley.