

STEAMER SENT TO THE BOTTOM; AMERICANS LIKELY DROWNED

Another Ship Also Sunk But Was Trying to Escape

AMERICAN CONSUL MAKES THE REPORT

No Loss of Lives Has Yet Been Reported — Steamer Was Engaged in the Trans-Atlantic Trade and Was Over Five Thousand Tons Gross

AMERICAN CITIZENS DROWNED.

London, Oct. 30.—A private telegram from the American consulate this afternoon from Crookhaven said that a number of Americans were drowned when the British steamer—Marina was sunk by a German submarine.

London, Oct. 30.—The American embassy today received a report from the American consul, at Queenstown, that the British steamship, Marina, had been torpedoed without warning. It is believed that there were a number of Americans on board.

Only 34 members of a crew of 104 have been picked up at Crookhaven, Ireland.

The Marina was engaged in the Trans-Atlantic passenger service and was a vessel of 5,204 gross tons and was built in 1906. She was reported as arriving at Glasgow, Scotland, on October 10, after having sailed from Newport News on September 21.

Lloyd's reports that a steamer, anchored off Crookhaven, signalled that she had picked up members of the crew of the steamer Marina, of Glasgow.

Washington Receives the News. Washington, Oct. 3.—Dispatches to the State Department say that the Marina when sunk had a mixed crew of British and Americans and that she was sunk by gunfire without warning.

Consul Frost, at Queenstown, said that the information he received was "provisional." Investigations will be made at once to determine whether any of Germany's pledges to the United States have been violated.

Half Hundred Americans Aboard. Newport News, Va., Oct. 30.—There were fifty Americans on board the steamer Marina, reported torpedoed today without warning, in today's dispatch from London, when she sailed from Newport News. The Americans were signed on her as horsemen. They were all white men and gave their homes in different parts of the country.

According to information gained at offices of the local agents for the owners of the vessel, she carried a cargo of horses and a general cargo. Cable advices reported the Marina leaving Glasgow for Newport News October 25, in ballast.

Getting Affidavits from Survivors. London, Oct. 30.—The consul is now procuring affidavits from the survivors.

A report of the sinking on October 26 of the British steamship, Rowanmore, also was made to the American embassy by Consul Frost, who stated that the vessel was torpedoed. Seven Americans, including five Filipinos, were on board the Rowanmore.

Several of them have given Mr. Frost affidavits, stating that a submarine shelled the lifeboats, while they were being lowered and after they were clear of the ship, but without the loss of a life.

Might Reopen Controversy. Washington, Oct. 30.—Destruction of the horse transport, Marina, by a German submarine without warning, with the possible loss of American lives and the endangering of American citizens, in the submarine attack on the British freight steamer, Rowanmore, reported from Queenstown by American Consul Frost, contained possibilities of reopening the submarine issue between Germany and the United States.

Officials realized that it may be disclosed that there has been no violation of the German pledges to this country.

The report on the destruction of

WAS SHOT DOWN BY ENGLISH AIRMAN

Emperor Much Affected by Reported Death of Captain Boelke

London, Oct. 30.—Captain Boelke, the noted German aviator, whose death was reported yesterday in a dispatch from Amsterdam, was said to have been brought down by a British aviator, near Cambrai. A Cologne message brought the news. Captain Boelke was a personal friend of the German Emperor.

The news, it is said, made a deep impression on the Emperor, who had lately seen the aviator in action at the front.

INTERESTING CASE WAS BEGUN TODAY

Shepard Chemical Co. Seeks Recover Damages for Alleged Breach of Contract

One of the interesting cases to be started since the present term of court was convened was begun this morning and is that of the Shepard Chemical Company against A. D. O'Brien, contractor, in which the plaintiff is suing the defendant for about \$3,000. The case will probably go to the jury early this afternoon. It is understood that a case in which the defendant has entered against the plaintiff may be consolidated with the one being tried.

The Shepard Chemical Company is seeking to recover \$2,000 damages for an alleged breach of contract, and \$900 because a building that was being erected for the plaintiff by the defendant was not completed within the specified time. In the complaint it is stated that the building that was being erected is defective, being leaky, inferior and shoddy. It also states that the contract called for the completion of the building by April, 1914, and that the plaintiff was not able to move in until July of that year.

Judge Connor ordered a judgment of \$40 against Mr. W. F. Penney, a jurymen, who was summoned and failed to appear this morning. Notice is to be given him to appear and show why the judgment rendered should not be absolute.

Judgment was awarded the defendant in default in the case of the Odell Hardware Company against K. C. Sidbury. In the case of Ethel Bowen et al. against F. A. Montgomery et al., an order for new parties was made. In the case of W. W. Pridden against the Levering Manufacturing Company an order for reference was made.

the Marina refers to the ship as "a British horse transport." If it turns out that the transport was in the service of the British government it may be found that the mixed crew of British and American horse-tenders could claim none of the immunity against attack without warning attributed to merchant ships.

Orders have been dispatched to gather in details of the statements of the Marina's crew.

Although no American lives were lost in the submarine attack of the Rowanmore, the ship altering her own status by attempting to run off, officials were disturbed by the report that the ship's boats were shelled after they had cleared the ship. The facts are expected to be thoroughly investigated, for which the order has been given. The Rowanmore was bound for Baltimore from Liverpool with a mixed cargo.

On Way Back to America. Newport News, Oct. 30.—The Marina was returning to Newport News, according to a statement issued from the office of the local agents. She had on board a part cargo of general merchandise for this port from Glasgow.

WAR HEROES DAILY HONORED

The Wearing of Military Decoration is Passport to all French Houses

Paris, Oct. 30.—The psychology of the military decoration is showing up more obviously every day in Paris life: it is even getting into the police courts. The wearers of them have multiplied rapidly since the beginning of the battles of Verdun and the Somme, and increasing numbers of them are seen on the lapels of men who have been mustered out and have reappeared in civilian attire, but their prestige is undiminished. The Cross of the Legion of Honor, the military medal and the war cross are shown a deference that amounts almost to a pass-key to every place and to everything; to illegitimate wearers of them it amounts to a sort of stock in trade.

Tramway or subway passengers who, contrary to the traditional French politeness, were remarkably selfish as to seats before the war, now give way to the soldier with a medal on his breast or with a ribbon in his buttonhole, although they still let women stand. This deference is not always acceptable. A wounded man is likely to profit from the sacrifice, but the valid man, home on leave, seems to take it as a sort of superfluous manifestation on the part of the civilian, and resents the supposition that there may be some physical reason for it. One of them accepted a seat offered by a civilian in the subway the other day, but instead of occupying it himself furnished a double object lesson by offering it in turn to a woman.

The sympathy that goes spontaneously to maimed soldiers has become the capital of men who lost legs or arms in accidents or battles not even remotely connected with war. For a few francs they can buy one or all three of the decoration ribbons that are now doing a thriving trade with the mutilated soldiers who have been mustered out. Most of them use the ribbons as a cover for simple beggings, others for swindling, some to get work and not a few in mere vain and fraudulent show.

VESSEL STILL AGROUND

All Efforts Thus Far to Move Idillion Fruitless

All efforts thus far to move the Italian steamer Edillio, which is aground on the bar at the entrance to the Cape Fear river, have failed and in all probability a part of the vessel's cargo of steel will have to be lighter. This morning the cutter Seminole, again, with several fish steamers, strained the big freighter, but without avail.

As the big tramp went on shore at the edge of the channel at high tide, it will be a difficult matter to get it off. The steamer is loaded with steel taken on at Baltimore and is bound here for cotton. It is drawing about 20 feet of water.

The British tramp Wingate, Captain Dew, arrived in port from Huelva, Spain, this morning with a cargo of pyrites to be discharged at the plant of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company. The Chilian Transport, Maipo, which, owing to its great draft, was obliged to have part of its cargo lightened at Southport, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon.

The Standard Oil barge No. 58, that has just completed discharging a cargo of oils at the local station here, sailed yesterday morning in tow of the tug Security.

BROOKLYN NATIONALS TO TRAIN AT TAMPA

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 30.—The Brooklyn National League Club, winners of the National League championship, will next year train at Tampa Florida, according to officials of the Chicago National League club. The Cubs' contract for spring training grounds at Tampa has still two years to run, but officials of the Brooklyn club have agreed to take it off their hands. The Cubs will train at Pasadena, California.



MRS CLIFFORD CHERRY. G. I. F. S.

Aurora, Ill., Oct. 30.—Mrs. Clifford Cherry, who has been called the "prettiest woman in Illinois," has been granted \$150 a month temporary alimony pending her suit for divorce from her millionaire land-owner husband. Mrs. Cherry alleged that another woman had proven of greater charm to her husband than she. Mrs. Cherry and her infant daughter are at present with Mrs. Cherry's parents in Boston. Before her marriage Mrs. Cherry was a Miss Ruth Meyers of that city.

CONSULAR OFFICER NEED ASSISTANCE

High Cost of Living in Europe Calls for More Money for Govt. Officials

Washington, Oct. 30.—Urgent need of financial assistance for American consular officials and clerks is needed by the European offices as the price of foodstuffs and necessities have advanced in price over three times their former costs.

The \$15,000 allowance, given by Congress, as a war fund to be distributed to consular offices to meet the demands, has all been allotted and the Department of State is now without means of extending relief. No provision was made for the relief of clerks and other employees and, with the exception of those whose salaries have been raised, no assistance has been given. Nothing is possible until Congress provides. It is thought that Congress will take action on this subject in December.

No where in the war zone has the cost of living decreased and in some localities it is six times what it was.

TRABUE MURDER CASE TO TRIAL

Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 30.—Public interest has been aroused to a high pitch in the trial of Charles C. Trabue, accused of the murder of Harry S. Stokes, which is scheduled to begin in the Davidson County Criminal Court here tomorrow. Both the accused man and his alleged victim stood high in legal circles in Nashville. The interest arising from this fact has been increased by the general supposition that local politics was closely interwoven with the tragedy.

Harry S. Stokes, the slain man, was the chief counsel for the taxpayers in the so-called "taxpayers' suit," involving the investigation into the management of the city's affairs. On the morning of April 26, last, he was shot and killed in his private office by Trabue, who had been engaged as special counsel to represent counsel to represent the city in the taxpayers' litigation. While the exact cause of the tragedy has never been made public, either by Trabue or his counsel, it is generally supposed that the motive for the killing originated in the bitter feeling engendered between Stokes and Trabue as a result of the exchange of personal remarks in the hearings before the investigating committee.

LIQUIDATION CAUSED COTTON TO DECLINE

New York, Oct. 30.—A renewal of heavy liquidation caused a big decline in prices here today. January contracts sold at \$2.25 a bale below Saturday's closing figures. Reports of slackening in spot demands and uneasiness over shipping seemed hardly accountable for the drop.

NOTED CONFEDERATE OFFICER IS ILL

Huntington, W. Va., Oct. 30.—General Wayne P. Ferguson, a noted Confederate officer, is ill at Kenova near here. He suffered a physical collapse about a week ago. His condition is considered serious.

DECLARES WILSON TO HAVE LANDSLIDE

THEY DRIVE WEDGE FURTHER IN THE SOMME FRONT

So Report the British and French As to Their New Attack

DEATH OF AVIATOR IS NOW CONFIRMED

Died After Bringing Down Forty Enemy Aeroplanes—Germans Advance in Volhynia

Both the British and French report successful conclusion of the effort to drive the point of the wedge created by the offensives further in the German lines on the Somme front.

The point at present projects across the Perronne-Bapaume road at Sully-Saillies.

Last night the French struck the German front and, according to a Paris statement, a system of trenches northwest of Sully-Saillies was captured, the French advancing as far as Sully church.

To the northwest at the joining point of the British and French fronts the British have been pounding for two days at the German positions near Le Transloy and have reported the capture of several trenches.

Further messages from Amsterdam reiterate the message that Captain Boelke, the famous German aviator, who last Friday shot down his fourth hostile airship, was killed in an engagement. He is said to have been brought down by a British airman with whom he was engaged near Cambri, France.

GERMANS MADE ADVANCES

Berlin (Via Wireless to Sayville), Oct. 30.—Massed attacks of Russian infantry in Volhynia yesterday, after unusual artillery preparation, broke down under German fire, the war office announced today.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN MONASTIR

Berlin (Via Wireless to Sayville), Oct. 30.—Heavy fighting is in progress on the Macedonian front throughout the Monastir region. The repulse of the French and Serbian attack was announced by the war office today.

SEVERAL POSITIONS CAPTURED

The capture of several positions near the Hungarian-Rumanian frontier was announced by the war office today. In Dobrudja, Field Marshal von Mackensen's forces, continuing their pursuit of the Russians and Rumanians, have come in contact with the Russians.

HISTORIC CHAPEL IS 150 YEARS OLD

New York, Oct. 30.—Old St. Paul's Chapel, at Broadway and Fulton street, today began a week of celebration in honor of the 150th anniversary of its founding. It is the oldest public building and the only colonial church building in the metropolis. Other congregations are as old but St. Paul's is the only building that stands as it was before the Revolution.

While in New York as commander-in-chief of the American forces General Washington attended St. Paul's. After the disastrous battle of Long Island, he was driven out of New York by Lord Howe and the city fell into the possession of the British. During this time St. Paul's was the military chapel of the English officers.

In 1789, immediately after the inauguration of Washington as first President of the United States, he, with both houses of Congress, marched from the present site of the sub-treasury building in Wall Street, to St. Paul's chapel, where an appropriate service was held.

Since the Revolutionary days St. Paul's has continued to be prominent in the life of New York, changing with the demands of the time and growing in historic value. The old graveyard, as well as the church itself, is rich in relics and monuments.

Chairman of National Committee Enthusiastic for Democratic Nominee

MAKES STATEMENT AFTER CONFERENCE

Asserts West is Loyal to Wilson and New York State Be Democratic — Republicans Claims Over Three Hundred Electoral Votes for Hughes.

Chicago, Oct. 30.—"The West is on fire for Wilson and it looks like a landslide for the Democratic party," is the opinion of the Democratic National Committee, as expressed by Mr. McCormick after a conference here today with Senator Thomas Walsh, manager of the Western Democratic headquarters.

"The West has the edge on the East in this matter of loyalty to the President," Mr. McCormick said.

"Some States that have been doubtful may now safely be counted for the President. New York State is for the President and for him 'big' League of organizations confidently believe the city will register one of the greatest upheavals of a Democratic plurality in years.

"I see that Mr. Frank Hitchcock claims the election of Hughes and gives a list of the States that he pronounces will go Republican. Of the 26 states he claims for the Republican party I cannot regard six as by any means certain for the Republican candidate. I confidently expect the President to carry Connecticut, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and West Virginia.

"The swing is toward the President and I see no sign of abatement." Certain Hughes Be Elected.

New York, Oct. 30.—The prediction that Mr. Hughes would have more than 300 electoral votes was made today by Chairman Willcox, of the Republican National Committee.

"Mr. Hughes will have 310 electoral votes or more," Mr. Willcox said. "I regard as certain that Ohio, Illinois and Indiana will go Republican, as will also New York State."

BANNER MEETING IN OHIO TONIGHT

Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 30.—What Republicans say will be the banner meeting of the Ohio campaign will be held in Columbus tonight with Charles Evans Hughes the centre of attraction. Mr. Hughes, accompanied by his wife, will arrive here at 7 p. m. from Zanesville.

Mr. Hughes is to deliver an address at 8 o'clock. Before speaking he will review a parade from a hotel. After a meeting with Ohio party leaders he expects to leave for Indianapolis shortly after midnight.

GETS NEW ASSIGNMENT.

Lieutenant Monroe With Machine Gun Company On Border. Friends here will be glad to learn that Lieut. William P. Monroe, of the Second North Carolina Regiment, now on the Mexican border, who is assistant chief of the Wilmington Fire Department, has been selected to be one of the officers of the machine gun company of that organization.

Lieutenant Monroe is assigned to the quartermaster department of the Second Regiment and his assignment as an officer in the machine gun company will be in connection with his present duties.

START SPELLING REVIVAL.

Fifty-three Rotary Club Members Begin One Out West. Springfield, Ill., Oct. 30.—Fifty-three business men, members of the local Rotary Club, believed they were spellers of average ability, but learned they were not.

As a result they have started a movement to revive the ancient art of spelling and are seeking to enlist other Rotary clubs in their plan.

The club was in session recently and Francis G. Blair, State superintendent of instruction, was among those present. He offered to conduct a spelling contest for amusement.

After the fifty-three entered Blair gave them the following words: Legible, ledger, loathsome, malice, mulligan, niece, sieve, siege and noticeable. They looked easy, but only one of the fifty-three spelled any of them correctly. The others refuse to tell just how much they did score, but they are active boosters for the movement in favor of improved spelling.