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## ANOTHER SHIP IS ON FIRE AT SEA

### WILL CONTINUE TO BLOW UP ANY SHIPS WHICH HAPPEN TO CROSS THEIR PATH

### ENGLAND

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### BLAZING SHIP AT SEA SENDS CRY OF DISTRESS

### Just When the Outlook Was Bright, Cloud Appears in the Sky and Situation Appears as Serious as Ever.

### AMBASSADOR HAS BEEN TURNED DOWN

### New Faction in Power at Berlin Has Repudiated Bernstorff and Forced Him to Back Out as Best He Can.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—Ambassador Bernstorff will carry a most disappointing message to the state department today. It threatens to bring about a new crisis in German-American relations. He will tell Secretary of State Lansing that Germany did not intend to promise "full satisfaction" in the informal communication he presented a short time ago. Instead, the German government, he will say, only means to express "full regrets" at the loss of American lives aboard the Arabic.

cial circles here on the German government's attitude was that the Von Tirpitz party had gained the ascendancy in Berlin and that previous conciliatory utterances by the kaiser's government to the Washington administration had been modified to an extent amounting almost to repudiation. It was understood from excellent sources that the Washington government's policy would still be to make every possible effort to avoid a break. Nevertheless, it was conceded that the situation threatened to become very serious.

ing the liner was attempting to ram his submarine. But the danger that the Arabic incident will be repeated with possible loss of more American lives, has not been averted, the United Press was informed on the best authority. The German ambassador frankly told the state department that similar "mistakes" by German submarine commanders may occur in the future—unless America induces Great Britain to rescind her alleged order to merchantmen to ram submarines on sight.

It was understood also that if the arbitral decision goes against her, Germany will admit her liability for financial damages on account of the two American lives lost by the sinking of the Arabic.

But the question of "future mistakes" was left still at issue. This is a very critical point. Germany's position as Ambassador Bernstorff indicated to the state department today, is that German submarine commanders are not to be blamed if they torpedo any merchantmen that makes what they believe to be a hostile move. In view of the alleged order of the British admiralty that submarines must be rammed if the U boats are in great danger according to the German point of view and in all cases Germany will give the submarine commander the benefit of the doubt.

Further "Mistakes." WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—An "amicable understanding" was reached at today's conference between Ambassador Bernstorff and Secretary Lansing. It was officially stated this afternoon. But a point of great danger in the German-American situation, it was learned on the best of authority, threatens future friction.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] LONDON, Sept. 13.—Zeppelin raid on the east coast Sunday night is officially announced here today. The press bureau states that there were no casualties.

This is the fifth Zeppelin raid on England since Tuesday night. Zeppelins bombed London on Tuesday and Wednesday nights and made another attack Wednesday night on Norwich and Middlesbrough. North-eastern England, these raids resulting in the loss of thirty-seven lives and the wounding of more than one hundred persons.

### RUSSIA

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] PETROGRAD, Sept. 13.—Official denial was made here today of a false report circulated in America that the Russian cabinet had resigned. The report was said to be absolutely without foundation. Members of the Goremynkin ministry were at their offices as usual.

### BALKANS

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] BUDAPEST, Sept. 13.—Belief that Bulgaria may enter the war on the side of Austria and Germany was strengthened today by the news that Bulgarian reservists in Italy are being recalled to the colors. German newspapers received here, hint at Bulgaria's abandonment of her neutrality in the near future.

### GERMANY

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] BERLIN, Sept. 13. (Via wireless to London).—Field Marshal Mackensen has broken the enemy's resistance on a wide front, said an official statement from the war office this afternoon. We have made further progress toward Pinsk.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] PARIS, Sept. 13.—Two million shells have been hurled across the Franco-Flanders battle front, in the greatest artillery battle the world has ever known, according to statements made here today.

The rain of shells continues without any indication of cessation. On Sunday, the fifteenth day of the long drawn out battle, the action was of extreme violence on nearly every sector of the battle front.

French batteries poured heavy fire in upon German works in Lorraine throughout yesterday, wrecking enemy positions near Emmerhain, Leintry and Anceville. Near Armentourt, Beauvraignes and on the plateau of Nouvron and Quenneville, the roar of guns continued throughout the day, the Germans replying energetically.

Between Bethune and Arras there were hand grenade combats throughout last night. The French repulsed German attacks north of Souchez with severe losses for the enemy. This afternoon's communique reported nine combats along the Somme and near Pay.

### THOUGHTS MORTGAGED FOR THE PRESENT

President Wilson Will Accept No Invitations While the Sky is Cloudy. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—President Wilson today told a delegation of visitors from Manassas, Va., that the seriousness of the international situation makes it impossible for him to consider any speaking dates.

We are all hoping and praying that the skies may clear," said the president, "but we have no control over that—on this side of the water, and it is impossible to predict any possible course of affairs. "I find that it is impossible for me to make promises of the kind which you wish of me. My experience here day by day is that questions turn up so suddenly and have to be handled so promptly and sometimes with so much thoughtful discretion, that I really dare not let my thoughts out to other matters.

"I feel very much attracted by this invitation to speak at Manassas. It has a political value in the circumstances of these two armies coming together in the most fraternal relations which once met each other in strife—that battlefield. It will be an occasion of inspiration, but I simply feel that I have forfeited my liberty for the present and that my nearest duty is the most obvious and imperative.

"I have been obliged to say this to all invitations, however tempting in character and I would not be worthy of your trust if I did not come to such a conclusion because I know that you want these international matters taken care of as best we know and I ought not to send my thoughts afield. My thoughts are mortgaged for the present."

Hill's Idea of Loan. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The property of the American farmer depends upon the arrangement of the \$500,000,000 Anglo-French loan. But the loan must appeal to bankers all over the country.

Will Sell Postoffice. WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—Owing to its inaccessibility, the treasury department expects to sell the Scott's postoffice site it recently paid \$170,000 for. Assistant Secretary Newton will visit Seattle soon and probably will choose a location for the \$500,000 federal building.

### Two Thousand Lives on Board, Including Some Women and Children, When Sant Anna Sailed Five Days Ago.

### ITALIAN RESERVISTS BY THE HUNDREDS

### Ship Had Been Guarded by Detectives While at Dock and Sailing Day Was Postponed Because of Suspicions of Captain.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Several steamers are believed to be rushing to the aid of the Fabre liner Sant Anna, which sailed five days ago from New York between 1,400 and 1,700 Italian reservists and forty other passengers, including a number of women and children are aboard.

The Italian liner Ancona is believed to have caught the Sant Anna's call for assistance, and is believed to have been less than 200 miles from the French steamer when the fire broke out. Shipping offices early today were without advice as to the fate of the Sant Anna. No official dispatches have been received here. The wireless to the Cape Race station last night reporting the Sant Anna "in distress, on fire and in need of assistance," is the only information here.

In the absence of information as to the origin of the blaze, shipping agents today hinted that the fire may have been started by a spy. It was recalled that the Sant Anna was to have sailed from her pier in Brooklyn for Marseilles and Naples on the afternoon of September 7, but that Captain Pay became suspicious about something and delayed his departure until the following day. During the night the vessel was thoroughly searched.

The Sant Anna, according to her agents here, carried no munitions of war, but a large cargo of merchandise. Because of the fact that she was to carry the Italian reservists, a large force of private detectives were on guard at her pier.

Offices of the Fabre line said they were certain that several big trans-Atlantic liners were near the Sant Anna and had caught her "S. O. S." They mentioned among others, the Baltic of the White Star line, the Cunarder Saxonia and the White Star liner Adriatic. The Sant Anna was built in 1910 at La Seyne, France, and was registered at 9,300 tons gross. She is 470 feet long, 56 feet in width and has a depth of 42 feet. She is fitted with all modern safety devices.

Sant Anna's call for help, but that they have heard no word from her. Following are the first cabin passengers: C. A. Stewart, Philadelphia; Rev. Edward McGrath, Providence, R. I.; H. G. Beall and Mrs. Beall, New York; Miss F. Feller, Philadelphia; Miss E. D. Smith, New York; Miss M. Barinco, 676 Riverside Drive, New York; Mrs. J. R. Putnam and daughter, Donato, New York; Miss Bertha Crocker, Lake Placid, N. Y.; Mrs. E. Loughton, Lake Placid, N. Y.; Mrs. A. Leland Gambino, San Francisco; Miss G. G. Gambino, San Francisco; Benjamin Ferrero, New Haven, Conn.; Miss Martha Landry, 5 East 53rd street, New York; H. G. DeMelt, 22 Exchange Place, New York; Mrs. DeMelt (mother of H. G. DeMelt), same address.

No Word Since First. NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Wireless stations all along the coast were searching the Atlantic this afternoon for some news of the Fabre liner Sant Anna reported after 1,000 miles east of here with 1,939 persons aboard. Since the first "SOS" from the burning steamer was received by the Cape Race station last night, not a word has been received. More than fourteen hours have elapsed. As the minutes sped by this afternoon, shipping circles grew more alarmed for the safety of the Sant Anna, though the Italian liner Ancona and other vessels were believed to be near her.

Wireless stations on the French and English coast this afternoon took up the hunt for word of the burning liner. Lloyds cabled from London that the only reports received were those sent from the United States. America Will Lead. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] DALLAS, Texas, Sept. 13.—Dr. Jas. H. Smart, in an address to the north Texas association of life underwriters predicted that the European war would result in Americans becoming the physical superiors of all other nations, in spite of themselves.

"The killing off of the future fathers of European races has caused comment among sociologists and eugenicists and two new words have sprung into the field of public attention, war brides and war babies," he said. "In fact, there has been some serious conjecture as to the possibility of encouragement of plural marriages after the war."

"So when we consider the fate of our neighbor nations across the seas, we are moved to a spirit of thankfulness for the future as well as the present."

## The War in Mexico

### Latest Developments Among Our Revolutionary Neighbors of the South.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Sept. 13.—Three American soldiers are reported to have been wounded in a battle with Mexicans near Los Indios. Details are lacking and the extent and importance of the clash is not yet known.

A New Policy. WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—A new Mexican policy with General Carranza temporarily at the head of a recognized provisional government, seemed probably today.

Two Men Killed. BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Sept. 13.—Trooper Arthur Craft was killed and Sergeant Joseph Walsh and Trumpet Corporal Forney wounded in a half hour's battle with Mexicans at the Galveston ranch this morning. One Mexican officer was killed.

Just such an invasion. After a sharp battle, the Mexicans retreated to the other side, leaving one dead officer behind them. The wounded soldiers were taken to San Benito, where it was stated they probably would recover.

It has been learned that the Mexicans expected a large quantity of arms and ammunition to be left at the ranch by sympathizers on this side. The sheriff got wind of the plan and seized the supplies. In anticipation of another attack by the Mexicans, greatly reinforced, to obtain the ammunition, they believe awaiting them at the ranch, forty-five troops are now stationed there.

Executed by Villa. WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—General Tomas Urbina has been executed by General Villa, according to a dispatch received today at the Villista junta.

Revolters Caught. LAREDO, Texas, Sept. 13.—Colonel Santos Davila and forty men who revolted against Carranza at Lampazos Saturday, were captured near that place last night by Carranza cavalry under General Reynaldo Garza, according to an official telegram received at Nueva Laredo this afternoon. The mutineers were taken to Monterey as prisoners today where it is believed they may be executed. Davila had been with Carranza since the beginning of the latter's revolution.

War Prolonged by Red Cross. Unusual Viewpoint of Woman Who Has Just Returned from Peace Conference.

[United Press Leased Wire Service.] SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Sept. 13.—"Red Cross nurses and human treatment of soldiers only prolongs war. This may seem brutal on the face of it, but one must realize that an increase in horrors hasten the end of war—so in the long run, it's the most humane thing to have no relief funds for nurses. That's why I left the Red Cross."

Such was the unusual viewpoint expressed today by Miss Constance Drexel, wealthy young peace worker and suffragist, who attended the Hague peace conference and is here to attend the convention of the congressional union for women's suffrage. "War brides are somewhat of a fiction," she continued. "Few girls were forced into unwelcome marriages. Marriages that had been contemplated were merely rushed. The woman nature wanted a little touch of affection before the sweetheart died on the battlefield, that was all. That women will cease to bear children as a means of halting war is equally a fiction."

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