

# Captain Saved 11 as U Boat Sank Minnehaha

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## LIMIT ON ARMAMENTS, KAISER'S OFFER; U. S. STICKS TO ITS WAR PLANS AND AIMS

### LINER'S CAPTAIN RESCUED 11; FIRST OFFICER GAVE HIS LIFE TO SAVE WOUNDED FIREMAN

**Graphic Story of the Sinking of the Minnehaha by a U Boat Sept. 7.**  
**43 OF THE CREW KILLED.**  
**Daring Heroism Marked Rescue of Many Who Had Leaped into Sea.**

**AN ATLANTIC PORT, Sept. 22.**—Details of the sinking of the Atlantic transport liner Minnehaha by a German submarine Sept. 7 were brought in to-day by Harry Clark, a witness who was on board a liner from a European port. Mr. Clark interviewed survivors of the Minnehaha a few minutes after they were landed by a British destroyer.

The Minnehaha, Mr. Clark said, was torpedoed in Henry Bay, on the southwest coast of Ireland, a few minutes after noon on Friday, Sept. 7. The big liner sank in four minutes, the torpedo having torn away a considerable section of her hull below the water-line.

Capt. Frank Claret, according to the survivors, personally rescued eleven members of his crew who had jumped into the water when the Minnehaha began to sink. The survivors held a meeting in a town in Ireland a couple of days after they landed, passed resolutions praising Capt. Claret for his bravery and devotion and presented him with an appropriately inscribed clock.

Chief Officer Albany of the Minnehaha, sacrificed his life for a wounded fireman, according to the survivors. Albany was in charge of a lifeboat which was crowded until the gunwales were awash. The lifeboat came alongside the fireman who was just about to sink.

The fireman was a big man, and to have taken him aboard with the load already accumulated would have resulted in swamping the boat.

Albany promptly jumped overboard and instructed the men in the boat to pull the fireman aboard. When the survivors were checked up ashore it was found that Albany had been unable to reach another lifeboat and had been drowned.

Purser C. A. Willis, well known in New York and to thousands of transatlantic travelers was one of the last to attempt to leave the Minnehaha. He was crushed to death between a lifeboat and the hull and his body was sucked to the depths of the sea when the Minnehaha went down.

Capt. Claret was almost dead when brought ashore, but rallied under treatment. In his services in rescuing members of his crew he did not hesitate to jump overboard several times, grab a drowning man and swim with him to a lifeboat.

Mr. Clark brought confirmation of the report that the sinking of the Minnehaha cost the lives of forty-three men.

Capt. Claret's courage and resourcefulness, recognized in shipping circles long before the outbreak of the war, have become generally known as a result of incidents in which he has figured since the beginning of the conflict.

### FIVE BRITISH SHIPS AND 2 DESTROYERS SUNK IN BATTLE

**American Liner Brings News of Attack on Fleet and Convoy Off Ireland.**  
**AN ATLANTIC PORT, Sept. 22.**—Detailed information was given today on an American steamship brought circumstantial reports that five British steamships and two destroyers out of a convoy fleet of six, which left Lough Swilly, Ireland, Sept. 3, were sunk by German submarines within a few hours of the port of departure.

The story was told, among others, by shipwrecked seamen, who were survivors of other submerged vessels, and by a merchant ship officer who had been in Lough Swilly. The five vessels, it was said, conveyed by the destroyers, but to sea shortly after midnight, and they were attacked by German submarines at daylight the following morning. The news of the disaster was learned when the destroyers which escaped put back to port bringing survivors of the torpedoed merchantman and war vessels.

### BEEF-LADEN SHIP SUNK; EIGHT OF CREW KILLED

**La Negra, 8,312-Ton Vessel, Torpedoed Twice by a U Boat in Three Hours.**  
**AN ATLANTIC PORT, Sept. 22.**—The British steamship La Negra, on her way from Buenos Ayres to Havre with a cargo of Argentine beef, was sunk by a German submarine Sept. 3, 45 miles off Plymouth, according to survivors of the crew who arrived here to-day on an American steamship.

The vessel was of 8,312 tons gross, was owned by the British and Argentine Steam Navigation Company, at West Hartlepool. She was torpedoed twice within three hours, the survivors said and eight members of her crew of ninety-eight lost their lives from the exploding torpedoes.

The La Negra had just parted from four other vessels under convoy, to go into Plymouth for orders when first attacked. The first torpedo hit the vessel well astern, carrying away her rudder and rudder-post and putting the defense gun, mounted aft, out of commission.

A jury rudder was rigged and the vessel proceeded after sending wireless calls for assistance. Three hours later a second torpedo struck her, tearing its way into the boiler room, before exploding and causing the ship to go down in less than twenty minutes. The survivors were picked up by a destroyer.

### MINNEHAHA'S CAPTAIN WHO SAVED 11 LIVES AS HIS SHIP WAS SUNK



### FOUR SEIZED HERE IN PHILADELPHIA'S POLITICAL MURDER

**Round-Up of Gangsters in This City Discloses Amazing Plot, It Is Declared.**

Sixteen New York gunmen, each with a white ribbon in his next-to-the-bottom vest button-hole, each with a blackjack or revolver in his pocket, went into Philadelphia's "Bloody" Fifth Ward last Wednesday morning "to make a lot of noise and do a little beating up" under the guidance of "certain detectives and politicians."

### AMAZING STORY ATTRIBUTED TO ONE OF PRISONERS.

Other prisoners are still being questioned by detectives in the Bronx and further revelations are expected. This is the story that Eugene is alleged to have outlined to Detective Bonano and Case of New York.

Later Sunday Eugene was approached by a man who said he had a "confidential proposition" to make. A business was made in a quiet place, where two other men joined the first, and the "confidential proposition" was outlined.

It was to be a job for a gang, and Eugene was counted upon as able to deliver the bird of a gang wanted. There would be no danger.

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### NEW YORK EDITOR GOT \$5,500 FROM THE GERMAN EMBASSY, SENATOR KING TELLS SENATE

**Photographic Copies of Checks and Receipts in His Possession, He Declares.**

**WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.**—Definite evidence that former Ambassador Bernstorff paid out large sums of money to certain publications in the hands of Senator King, Utah. King told the Senate to-day he had photographic copies of checks and receipts for money paid by von Bernstorff to the Fairplay Publishing Company and Marcus Braun, its editor, among others.

King said the Senate may take whatever action it believes necessary in the case. Among his photographic copies, he said, is a German Embassy check for \$2,000 drawn on a Washington bank, payable to the Fairplay Publishing Company, and shown to have been paid by the bank.

Another is a receipt for \$1,500 showing that Marcus Braun, pacifist, had received that sum from the Embassy. Still another is a letter dated April 20, 1915, acknowledging receipt of \$1,000. Still another receipt for \$1,000, dated April 9, 1915, was signed by J. P. Bryan, also of the Fairplay Publishing Company.

King said he also has copies of papers showing payments from the Austrian Embassy to foreign language newspapers. Among these is a \$700 subsidy paid a Polish newspaper.

This periodical—the Fairplay Magazine—may be one of the guiding hands of the "organization" mentioned by von Bernstorff as a possible factor in trying to influence Congress against war. It is revelation of von Bernstorff's request for funds to supply some "organization" that stirred Congress yesterday.

Overman will call a meeting of the lobby investigating committee Monday to consider an inquiry. He declared the evidence he put into the record to-day is only a small part of what he has.

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### BRITISH BOMBARD OSTEND WORKS AND DOWN 3 PLANES

**Belgian Coast Patrol Shells Naval Establishments "With Good Results."**

**LONDON, Sept. 22.**—British warships this morning bombarded the German naval works at Ostend with satisfactory results, it was announced to-day by the British Admiralty. Three German seaplanes were shot down by British airplanes.

The text of the Admiralty statement says: "Naval works at Ostend were this morning bombarded by ships of our Belgian coast patrol with satisfactory results. Three seaplanes attempting to assist the enemy by observation were shot down by our air patrol."

### FIRE IN SUBWAY TRAIN TIES UP EXPRESS SERVICE

**Traffic Halted Twenty Minutes and Seventy-Second Street Station Filled With Smoke.**

All the express trains in the subway were tied up for twenty minutes this morning during the rush hours due to a short circuit in the motor-driven car of a ten-car express train bound south of the city. The train was stopped at the 72nd Street station and the passengers were ordered to get out. When the first train came to a stop, the second train was also stopped. The station was filled with smoke and the passengers were ordered to get out.

### GIRL HIT BY FEUD BULLET.

**Wounded in Her Own Home as Men Exchange Shots.**

Miss Katherine Dooly, twenty-two, of No. 127 East Ninety-sixth street, was taken to Howse hospital last night suffering from a bullet wound in the left arm, as the result of an exchange of shots between several men opposite her home. The wound was said to be slight.

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### BENNETT CLAIMS NOMINATION AND PLANS CAMPAIGN

**Predicts Disclosures of Other Errors—Four-Cornered Mayorality Fight Assured.**

William M. Bennett to-day began making plans for his campaign as the Republican candidate for Mayor, his confidence that he would be declared the winner when the primary ballots cast last Wednesday are recounted being strengthened by the discovery of an error yesterday that reduced Mayor Mitchell's lead of 1,135 to 695. Mr. Bennett and his followers were jubilant over the further reduction in the Mayor's primary vote.

Politicians on the Fusion side, speaking privately, feared that the slight lead held by Mayor Mitchell was likely to be wiped out by a recount, which would compel the Fusion managers to nominate Mayor Mitchell by petition.

### FULL TEXT OF KAISER'S REPLY; FORCED INTO WAR, TELLS POPE

**Declares Effort to Pave Way to Understanding Finds Response Since Emperor Wants to Preserve Peace to the World.**

**WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.**—The replies by Germany and Austria to Pope Benedict's peace proposal contain nothing that will in any way alter the position of the United States as outlined in President Wilson's reply to the Pope.

Secretary Lansing authorized no quotation of any opinion for the Government, but it was clearly indicated at the State Department that such consideration as had been given to the replies had failed to develop any reason for any alteration of the aims or intentions this Government either in the conduct of the war or in any peace adjustment which may be undertaken later.

Mr. Bennett says he is sure of enough votes to throw the nomination his way, because, according to his friends, there are any number of districts in which not a single vote was credited to him.

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### ARBITRATION IS FAVORED BY THE CENTRAL POWERS IN REPLIES TO THE POPE

**Germany and Austria Both Express a "Lively Desire" for the Ending of Hostilities—No Mention of Belgium in Either Note.**

**The Two Nations Are Also Silent on Indemnities, Restoration of Alsace-Lorraine, Freedom of Poland, Serbia and Roumania.**

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### CHEVROLET TAKES LEAD IN \$10,000 AUTO RACE

**Nineteen Machines in 100-Mile Event for Harkness Trophy at Sheephead Bay.**

**RHINEHLEAD BAY SPEEDWAY, Sept. 22.**—Tom Milton dashed in the lead in an annual race for the \$10,000 Harkness trophy in the auto race here this afternoon. Chevrolet took fourth in front, however, with De Palma second and Stifford third.

### TROOPS GUARD U. S. EMBASSY

**STOCKHOLM, Sept. 22.**—The American Embassy at Petrograd was under guard of a large detachment of Russian soldiers last week, and for the last two days the American Legation here has been unable to communicate with Ambassador Francis. No apprehension is felt here.

There have been no arrivals at Stockholm from Russia for several days past. Ordinarily this port is filled with travellers to and from Petrograd.

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### GEN. BISS BECOMES CHIEF OF STAFF

**WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.**—Major Gen. Hugh H. Biss has been named Chief of Staff of the Army, to succeed Major Gen. Hugh L. Scott, who retires to-day. Gen. Biss is sixty-four years old, but will be recalled to active service immediately. Gen. Biss may be succeeded by a younger officer when he reaches the age of retirement, Dec. 31 next, but in the meantime it is not unlikely he will be appointed to a field command.

### SAYS KAISER HAS ALWAYS BEEN FOR PEACE.

**"In his first speech from the throne at the opening of the German Reichstag on June 25, 1888, the Kaiser promised that his love of the German army and his position toward it should never lead him into tempta-**