

U. S. Ship Is Hit by Mine; 37 Drowned

5,000-Ton Steamer Sactia Goes Down 25 Miles Off Ocean City, Md.

47 Scantly Clad Men Saved From Icy Water

Madly Plunging Sea Makes Rescue Difficult; All of "Black Watch" Lost

OCEAN CITY, Md., Nov. 9.—Twenty minutes after striking what is believed to have been a mine, the American steamer Sactia, a 5,000-ton tramp, sank twenty-five miles off shore here at 9:05 a. m. today. Thirty-seven members of the crew are missing and forty-seven were landed here shortly after 4 o'clock this afternoon. The chief engineer, Charles Turner, of Hartford, Conn., was injured.

The sinking of the ship was preceded by an explosion a few minutes after 8 o'clock. A few minutes later two more violent explosions followed. Although the ship was light, having just left an American convoy off the Delaware Capes, she went down within twenty minutes, according to her master, Captain W. S. Lynch, of Pleasantville, N. J., who landed at this place.

Coast Guard cutters and a number of destroyers rushed to the aid of the steamship, which submerged before any could come alongside. A number of the crew were picked up in the water, but late to-day thirty-seven sailors were missing.

Little Hope for "Black Watch"
Although an all-night watch will be kept by destroyers and fishing boats, no more survivors were picked up after 1 o'clock in the afternoon. Little hope is held for those who were among the "black watch" in the engine room at the time the mine was struck. The explosions which followed the first, it is believed, were the boilers.

Despite a crushed left leg, the chief engineer was able to talk after he was given stimulants at a hospital in Salisbury, Md. He held very little hope for the "black watch" on duty at the time the boilers exploded.

The Sactia left its convoy, returning from France, three days ago, and was heading for Philadelphia. Twenty-five miles off this place she ran into the mine, which sent her quivering from bow to stern. Before the ship could

back the first explosion threw half the crew into the sea.

Fatigued by Cold Water
Captain Lynch immediately ordered "all hands on deck," but before lifeboats could be lowered, the cold salt water pouring in upon the boilers, caused the additional explosions. The ship careened violently, settling heavily at the stern. With the water pouring through the shaft alley in the stern only the bow remained on the surface within fifteen minutes. A few minutes later the ship had settled entirely in about 300 feet of water.

Due to the excitement and the short time to "put off" in the lifeboats, none of the crew could give a coherent account of the sinking. It is believed a number of the sailors were taken down by the suction of the freighter as she made her final plunge.

The first rescue ship, a United States coast guard launch, returned capsized in the heavy sea. All the men were picked up within a few miles of the shore, while hundreds of persons crowded the beach.

It is only with the greatest skill that the larger power boats could ride out of the rough seas, and no persons could hope to fight long against it. The destroyers and revenue cutters spent the night patrolling the adjacent waters for any survivors.

The Sactia landed here scantily clad and died after several hours in the water.

Although it had been rumored that the Sactia had been torpedoed, naval authorities here scout the idea. The stories related by the crew also tended to disprove it.

Gen. Otani Moves Rapidly in Siberia

Lands on August 19 and Fights Battle 420 Miles Away September 5

TOKIO, Oct. 1.—The capture of Khabarovsk, Siberia, by American and Japanese troops has been a subject of mutual congratulation by commanders of the troops of the two nations which cooperated in this swift move of 420 miles north from Vladivostok to the point on the Amur River.

The American troops were commanded by Lieutenant Colonel C. H. Morrow, acting with the 12th Japanese Division. For the share of the Americans in the action Lieutenant Colonel Morrow has received a congratulatory message from Baron General Ueyehara, chief of the Japanese General Staff, through General Otani, commander of the Allied forces. In return Lieutenant Colonel Morrow sent the following message to Baron General Ueyehara:

"General Otani's campaign on the Ussuri and the Amur for rapidity and success is truly remarkable. He landed at Vladivostok on August 19, concentrated on the 23d and fought a brilliant and successful battle on the 24th. On September 5 he had moved his army 420 miles for the capture of Khabarovsk, an accomplishment worthy of the best traditions of the glorious Japanese army.

"I sincerely thank General Otani and the staff of the splendid 12th Division for all the courtesy and friendly feeling displayed to the American troops under my command. The serving together of the Japanese and American armies will more closely unite the already friendly nations."

Americans Bitter At Huns' Tactics

Misuse of Red Cross Emblem to Cover Machine Gun Nests Arouses Anger

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Oct. 7.—Misuse of the Red Cross emblem by the German army is bringing bitter comment from American officers in position to know what is being done. A lieutenant in the medical corps and an infantry officer assert that "all the stories told about the German army's devilish and inhuman tactics are true."

Taught to respect the Red Cross flag, American troops were led into many an ambush by Boche trickery in the display of this insignia. And what has incensed the Americans the most is the fact that the Germans refused to recognize the Red Cross emblem at any time.

"Before going to the front I was inclined to doubt some of the stories being circulated about the Germans,"

said the medical officer, "but after one month in the front lines I can believe anything that is said against them. They are so guilty of inhuman and barbarous acts themselves that they refuse to respect the use of the Red Cross by the Allies. Their use of the Red Cross insignia is one of the biggest crimes they ought to be made to answer for after the war."

One of the tricks used by the Boche was to plant a Red Cross flag in the tower of a church of a village in the path of the advancing Americans. Respecting it, the infantry would not call for any concentration of artillery fire on these buildings.

The American troops upon taking one particular village, advanced upon a church from which was displayed a Red Cross flag without suspecting any trick. When they were within short range a murderous machine gun fire was poured into their ranks from the windows and towers of the church.

When the Americans finally gained the interior they found six machine guns, manned by a platoon of sturdy Boches—not a sign of any hospital or dressing station. Needless to say no prisoners were taken.

War Insurance to Cost U.S. \$170,000,000

Assistant Treasury Secretary, Says Government Has Made Great Record

CHICAGO, Nov. 9.—It has cost the government only \$1,500,000 to write \$36,250,000,000 of life insurance on the lives of soldiers and sailors within the last year, said Thomas B. Love, assistant Secretary of the Treasury, in an address here to-day before the Association of Life Agency Officers. By its accomplishments in the short period of twelve months, the Treasury's Bureau of War Risk Insurance "has wrought the insurance miracle of doubling the volume of ordinary life insurance outstanding in the world," Mr. Love added.

Describing the growth of the largest life insurance organization in the world, the largest disbursing institution and the biggest government bureau, with 14,000 employees, Secretary Love said the result had contributed strongly to the morale of American troops abroad, by giving them material assurance that their dependents were cared for during their absence and would continue to receive assistance from the government in case of their death or injury.

Secretary Love said that in the last two months more than 18,000 soldiers or sailors have died of influenza in this country alone, and insurance which the government will pay to their beneficiaries will amount eventually to \$170,000,000. Premium income collected from insured soldiers is estimated at \$143,000,000, and up to November 1 disbursements on account of deaths amounted to 4,102,000. These payments are distributed over a period of years, and the aggregate or computed value of claims is \$122,098,000. New insurance has been written at the rate of \$2,750,000,000 a month, or \$82,000,000 a day, and it is estimated that 95 per cent of the men in the army and navy are insured.

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