

MOVE TO FREE ALL LANCASTER COUNTY TOLL ROADS AT ONCE

Big Mass-Meeting at Columbia Advocates Purchase of Highways Now Controlled by Private Interests

CUNNINGHAM APPROVES

Commissioner Tells Enthusiastic Assembly Turnpikes Should Belong to Public

COLUMBIA, Pa., Aug. 20.—In the most remarkable demonstration of the kind ever held in this community the Columbia Automobile Club last night opened the fight for the elimination of toll roads in Lancaster County.

In the line were 150 automobiles, motor-trucks and motorcycles. Music was furnished by the Metropolitan Band and the Columbia Mandolin Club, conveyed on motor-trucks.

County could take roads. A. H. Meyers, president of the Columbia Automobile Club, presided, and on the stage with him were representatives of motor clubs and chambers of commerce from nearby towns and cities.

Chief Burgess W. Sanderson Detweiler welcomed the visitors to Columbia and urged the keys to the turnpikes to be turned over to the public.

U. G. Herr, of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce, urged a resolution that the Board of Commissioners of Lancaster County be petitioned immediately to take action toward the freeing of toll roads in the county.

Frank P. Bosch, president of the Harrisburg Motor Club, urged the second speaker. He told what had been done and what action was being taken in Harrisburg for free highways.

STATE COMMISSIONER PRESENT. R. J. Cunningham, State Commissioner, was accorded an enthusiastic welcome.

Highway Department too poor. The Highway Department has received from the Legislature sufficient funds to take over all of these toll roads, but unfortunately, the Legislature did not provide the department with sufficient funds to do it.

YORK TO FIGHT AL. Petitions were circulated and signed by all present, requesting the County Commissioners to take immediate steps for the purchase of all toll roads in Lancaster County.

DERIDES JAP WAR SCARE. Officer Touring United States Says There Will Be No Trouble Between Two Countries

Japan will be the next foe of Germany if the Teutons win the present war, in the opinion of Major General J. B. Connelley, of the Imperial Japanese Army.

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UNBONDED JITNEYS INTERNED IN CITY HALL COURTYARD



The drivers of two motorbuses and two light cars fell early victims of the ordinance-enforcing police today and were forced to check their machines with the authorities while they went to court to answer charges.

MAYOR OF GALVESTON SAYS REPORTS OF LOSS OF LIFE ARE MAGNIFIED

Mortality in City Will Not Exceed 50—Estimates Property Damage at \$2,500,000

By LEWIS FISHER Mayor of Galveston, Tex., Aug. 20.—Reports of large loss of life at Galveston are very much exaggerated and incorrect.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—Four more soldiers were added to the toll of the Texas storm today by a dispatch from General Bell, Texas City.

RAIN FLOODS ST. LOUIS; SIX FEET OF WATER IN STREETS

Families on South Side Homed in Upper Stories of Homes

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 20.—A heavy rain, starting late Thursday and continuing through the night, was still falling this morning and had flooded residence sections in southwest St. Louis.

Telephone appeals for aid said portions of the south side were under six feet of water.

Car tracks on many lines were covered and some were washed out. A tunnel connecting the Clark street police office with the Union station was half filled with water.

TWO AMERICANS ARE REPORTED LOST ON SHIP

Continued from Page One though several passengers reported seeing the wreck of the torpedo as it rushed toward the liner.

FIRE, FOUR RESCUES, ROBBERY THRILL TENEMENT TENANTS

Children Carried Through Smoke as Women Scream—Jewels Gone

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GERMAN SUBMARINE WAR TAKES 1704 LIVES AS TOLL

Between February 18, when the German "war zone" decree went into effect, and July 31, the date of the last American note to Germany, 218 vessels were destroyed by German submarines, with a loss of 1653 lives.

Table listing ship types and numbers: Kind of boat, Number, Lives. Includes British travelers, Russian ships, French steamer, American steamer, Norwegian bark, Swedish bark, Danish schooner, Belgian steamer, Spanish steamers.

ATLANTIC CITY'S BOARDWALK FIRE-SWEPT

Continued from Page One started to dress for lunch after a dip in the surf.

The screams of the frightened guests could be heard for fully a block.

The sight of women and children hanging out of the windows attracted a crowd of fully 15,000 persons who thronged the Boardwalk and impeded the work of the firemen.

STRAND GUESTS FLEE. Employees of the Strand rushed through the building assuring the frightened guests and giving all the assistance possible under the circumstances.

The management of the Seaside, opposite the Strand, on Pennsylvania avenue, opened its doors to the refugees.

Within 10 minutes after the blaze was discovered a throng of 20,000 persons had gathered from every section of the island.

The flames up to 100 feet, sending out a volume of smoke which reached the point on the Steeplechase Pier, across the walk.

THRILLING ESCAPES. There were thrilling escapes from the second story of the building facing the Boardwalk as the flames spread from the little restaurant to the main structure, occupied by a chop-house restaurant, a delicatessen and a cigar store.

FLAMES UNDER CONTROL. At 1:30 the flames were under control, but the block was a mass of charred ruins.

TRACTION MAN INDIFFERENT TO PURCHASE OF ROADS

LANCASTER, Pa., Aug. 20.—I would say that the question of the purchase of toll roads by the County or State has never been presented to me considered by the Commonwealth.

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DRIVERS SEEK JITNEY LICENSES; PREPARE TO WAGE LEGAL FIGHT

Scores Seek Information as to Permits—A Few Apply—Motor Bus Company Plans Resistance

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WOMAN SINGS IN BOAT. Stella Carroll, a professional singer, who was among the survivors, said there were particularly good, but several of them, were scantly clad, suffered from the cold wind after they got into the boats.

LUSITANIA MEN ON BOARD. Some of the seamen upon the Arabic had been members of the Lusitania's crew.

BRITISH SUBMARINE LOST OFF COAST OF DENMARK

E-13 Goes Ashore—Fifteen of Crew of Thirty Perish

LONDON, Aug. 20. The British submarine E-13 has been lost with 15 men off the Danish coast, while on her way to the Baltic Sea.

Damage Suit Lost on Technicality

A legal technicality has deprived Edward H. Stocker, a youth not yet 21, of \$500 awarded him by a jury in Common Pleas Court for the loss of a leg in the Philadelphia and Reading Railway freight yard.

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DISCIPLINE OF CREW ORDERED ON ARABIC SAVED MANY LIVES

Survivors Tell Story of Sinking of Liner by Submarine. Agree That No Warning Was Given

TWO BOATS UPSET

GRIMY STOKERS HEROES OF ARABIC; STUCK TO ENGINES

QUEENSTOWN, Aug. 20.—Twenty grimy, soot-covered crew members of the Arabic were the heroes of yesterday's tragedy off Fastnet Lighthouse.

QUEENSTOWN, Aug. 20.—No survivor of the Arabic disaster who was interviewed here today saw the German submarine that sent the big liner to the bottom.

They agreed that the Arabic was sent to the bottom without warning.

They were dragged downward, I lost my grip and my mother and I became separated.

Probably a score of women who escaped in their night clothes were still under care of physicians today, suffering from exposure.

Most of the passengers were on deck or in the lifeboats when we were struck.

"It was about 9 o'clock, or a little after, when several of us sighted what we thought was a submarine quite a distance away.

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AMERICAN WOMAN DIES LIKE HERO ON ARABIC

Mrs. Josephine Bruguiere, Society Woman, Lost in Effort to Save Her Maid

QUEENSTOWN, Aug. 20. The terror of a French maid cost the life of Mrs. Josephine Bruguiere, the rich American woman who perished when the Arabic was sunk.

Louis Bruguiere, son of the lost woman, told today of her final hours on the liner, when the ship was swiftly sinking from the fatal wound inflicted by a German submarine.

"Mother was in her cabin dressing when the ship was struck," said Mr. Bruguiere.

"I rushed at once into the cabin and assisted her to buckle on a life belt.

"Mother's French maid lost complete control of herself and, in her hysteria, frustrated my efforts to put a life belt upon her.

"Two of mother's pet bulldogs had followed us upon the deck. It is strange the things a man will do in such an hour of stress.

"As we were dragged downward, I lost my grip and my mother and I became separated.

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CARRANZA MAY GAIN LATIN-AMERICAN AID AS MEXICO PRESIDENT

Friction in Next Conference Expected if U. S. Insists Upon Factional Peace

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