

TWO BRITISH CRUISERS LOST IN SEA FIGHT

Small Warships Torpedoed Searching For German Fleet in North Sea

U-BOAT IS SUNK

London Reports Another Ramm-ed and Probably Wrecked; 39 Dead

London, Aug. 21, 1:24 A. M., Monday.—Two British light cruisers, the Nottingham and Falmouth, were sunk Saturday in the North Sea by German submarines while the vessels were searching for the German high sea fleet, according to an official announcement issued by the Admiralty shortly before midnight.

First Fight Since Jutland

This is the first appearance in the North Sea of strong German naval forces since the battle of Jutland on May 31. The first news that the Germans had left the shelter of their mine fields and fortified bases was brought to Holland by travelers which reported sighting a German squadron of fifteen warships, including large cruisers. This fleet was accompanied by two Zeppelins and was steering north-west in the region of White Bank.

The two British vessels lost were the Nottingham, 5,400 tons, and the Falmouth, 5,250 tons. The crews of both the ships were saved with the exception of thirty-nine men. The Germans also claim to have sunk a British destroyer and damaged a battleship but this is denied by London. According to the British Admiralty the German fleet avoided an engagement with the main British forces and returned to port when its scouts reported the approach of strong British squadrons.

JITNEY PETITION SIGNED BY 236

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of the city to the courthouse to sign the petition. No fares were charged. Striking trolley men, who are back of the move together with State Federation of Labor leaders spent the morning in the various wards of the city getting the voters together, and despite the fact that many men were at work, a large number of signers were readily obtained.

At noon many of the men in nearby shops lunched hurriedly and rushed to the City Clerk's office. Each man was required to sign his name and complete street address. He then took an oath that he was a qualified elector residing at the address he had just given.

Signer Every 40 Seconds From 11:32 o'clock until 11:55 this morning, one man signed every forty seconds. In the first rush at 9 o'clock when City Clerk Miller opened his office 126 names were placed on the list. John F. Shepley, 510 Riley street, was the first signer, and Thomas Arnold, 1434 North Fourth street, was the first left-handed man to sign.

Strikers and union leaders in the city are confident that the number of signatures required to sign the petition within the ten days allowed by law, but if necessary City Clerk Miller will be asked to open his office in the evening so that men at work during the day will have the opportunity to sign. City Clerk Miller said this morning that if necessary he will probably open the office, but that he does not intend to do this until the petition has been signed by a sufficient number of voters. All day voters coursed into the courthouse, and at times more than forty were in line waiting their turn.

One Comes From Hospital

Many interesting incidents turned up during the morning. E. L. Pittinger of 1926 North Fifth street, was discharged from the Harrisburg Hospital this morning, and came to the courthouse at once to sign the petition. F. A. Shope of 1304 Mayflower street, had his right hand bandaged, William A. Shreck, 1122 South Cameron street, had both hands in bandages. W. O. Machamer of 2124 North Seventh street, was forced to prop his right hand with his left while taking the oath.

Only one signature was crossed off this morning. Charles W. Zimmerman, 157 South Second street, Steelton, had signed before it was learned that he was not a voter of Harrisburg. John J. Thorpe, organizer of the striking carmen, in an appeal last night, urged all registered voters of the city to go to the courthouse and sign the petition. Free auto transportation will be provided for men living in the outskirts of the city, he announces.

YAQUI KILL IN RAID

Guaymas, Mex., Aug. 21, by Radio to San Diego. Fifteen striking Yaqui Indians on a food raid swooped down on a settlement eight miles inland from Guaymas and killed a man named Wilson; it was learned that the man killed, Wilson, it was said, was not an American. The raid, in the opinion of government officials, had no general significance.

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JUST A FEW OF THE FOUR THOUSAND BATHERS WHO CROWDED THE SANDY STRETCHES OF INDEPENDENCE ISLAND YESTERDAY AFTERNOON



CITY'S CHANCE TO TAKE OVER ISLAND IS SLIPPING

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An ideal bathing resort. It is the most popular place in the river now. That was shown yesterday when 4,000 people bathed off the island shores. "I understood that city officials would like to have Independence Island made a municipal resort. I have been approached unofficially a number of times, but have never received any offer. I can't say whether the city will get a chance to get the island should the New York people buy. I have other business to look after and when my price is met I am ready to sell. I think the deal will be closed some time to-day."

Urge Quick Action

A city-wide demand is being heard for the acquisition of Independence Island as a municipal beach before it is developed by some outside capital with a view to profit. It is pointed out that if the city takes over the popular bathing resort, Mr. and Mrs. Harrisburger, with all the little Harrisburgers, who are just about learning to kick and splash in the water, can use the beach free, while if outside capital gets control the public will have to pay the piper. The consensus of opinion to-day seems to be that it is up to Council to get busy before it is too late.

Great Crowds in River

The largest crowd of the season yesterday took advantage of the breezes and bathing at Independence Island and at other points along the shores of the islands in the river. While many were out in the morning, the beaches along the islands opposite the city at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon resembled those at the seashore on a busy Sunday.

The West Shore banks were crowded, too, and all former records for bathing were smashed. Canoes and rowboats plied up and down the river all day long. Several officers were at Independence Island to maintain order. Yesterday, while not a very hot day, showed a temperature of 89 degrees. The lowest reached was 79 degrees. Delightful breezes were in evidence and made the day an ideal one for boating and bathing.

ANDREW C. ALLISON DIES

Special to the Telegraph Mifflintown, Pa., Aug. 21. Andrew C. Allison, a former resident of Mifflintown, who has lived at Germantown, Philadelphia, for the past year, died in the Easton hospital of pneumonia yesterday morning. He is survived by his wife, three brothers and one sister. Mr. Allison was born here and was a son of the late William Allison. He followed the printing trade for some time working for his father, who was owner and editor of the Janata Herald. Prior to going to Philadelphia, he served fourteen years as postmaster and then lived at Easton engaged in the construction of a State Highway, which position he held when he died.

Three Minor Motorcycle Accidents Reported

Three minor motorcycle accidents occurred in the city yesterday. John Bartolf, 1206 North Seventh street, received a fractured left arm, when his machine collided with a farm wagon on Front street, Saturday, and Miss Florence Diehl, 1246 State street, received a laceration and fracture of the nose. In an accident at Cumberland and Wallace streets, Ira Cowman, 916 Cowden street sustained a lacerated eye and Charles Gilmore, 630 Cumberland street, sustained a lacerated knee on a da cut above the right eye. Elma Tiers, 446 South Fourteenth street and William Walton 1421 Berryhill street, were slightly injured, when their machine crashed into an automobile driven by Mrs. Lesley McCreath, who was attempting to avoid a collision with the motorcycle and in so doing crashed into a tree at Front and Market streets. Mrs. McCreath's infant son, James, who was also in the machine was slightly cut.

WOULD PREVENT JITNEY MEASURE

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Commenting on the Police Department's failure to strictly enforce the jitney ordinance during the first few weeks of the trolleyman's strike, City Solicitor Seltz said: "The authorities very imprudently and, of course, illegally, neglected to enforce the ordinance." "The attorney very imprudently and, of course, illegally, neglected to enforce the ordinance." "The attorney very imprudently and, of course, illegally, neglected to enforce the ordinance." "The attorney very imprudently and, of course, illegally, neglected to enforce the ordinance."

HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION HIKER REACHES CITY; GOES WEST OVER PENN ROUTE

Francis X. O'Brien, amateur pedestrian, of South Yarmouth, Mass., representing the National Highway Association, reached Harrisburg yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. He came here from Anville, a distance of 21 miles. After a conference to-day with M. H. James, secretary of the William Penn Highway Association, the good roads pedestrian with the local official visited the Capitol. No lecture was given in Harrisburg. Mr. O'Brien talks to farmers en route. He shows the advantages of good roads and ascertains opinions on State roads. He has no set program for talks. At 10 o'clock this morning he left for Duncannon, which will be his stopping place to-night. His route west covers the William Penn highway. The trip is from Philadelphia to Chicago. Referring to the turnpike between Harrisburg and Reading, Mr. O'Brien said: "The people want to get after the officials and compel them to abolish the toll gates and miserable roads. I found one very good section between this city and Paxtang. The State road between Collinsville and Pottstown is the worst I have encountered. It is filled with broken stone, and should have immediate attention." This National Highway representative reports at every postoffice in the towns where he stops and gets a package. He has with him a travelers' outfit, and in the event of no place to eat he can cook a meal along the road. He has a message from Mayor Smith of Philadelphia to Mayor Thompson of Chicago. After his hike is complete he will report on the conditions of the roads he encountered.

Mayor Mitchel Hastens to New York to Avert Strike on Trolley Lines

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New York, Aug. 21.—In the hope of averting a threatened strike of street and electric railway employes that would tie up not only the surface car lines of at least three of the boroughs of the city, but the elevated and sub-way lines also, Mayor Mitchel hastened home from Plattsburg, N. Y., to-day to confer with the railway men and their employers. Members of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees said they intended to decide before to-night whether a second strike should be called. The mayor will endeavor to induce them to wait until Oscar S. Straus, chairman of the Public Service Commission, can return from the Maine woods, whence he was summoned to aid the mayor in an effort to adjust the dispute which has arisen over the dismissal of some of the union men who were convicted of disorderly conduct. William D. Mahon, president of the union, is due here to-day with F. J. Shea and Edward McThrew, members of the executive board. The union men and the employers look to the mayor and Mr. Straus for a decision on whether the union men dismissed will all be reinstated.

Big Hotel Reduces Size of Menu Because of High Paper Price; Limits Stationary

New York, Aug. 21.—Because of the scarcity and high cost of paper, one of the leading hotels here announced to-day that it would reduce the size of menu cards beginning September 1. Other hotels are expected to adopt the same course. The hotel which has taken the first step will issue less stationery to its patrons in the future. Those wishing to write letters in the writing room will be required to apply at the desk for paper and envelopes. This is intended to discourage those not guests from using the hotel stationery.

Walks 100 Miles to Give Himself Up For Old Theft After Dream of Arrest

Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 21.—Declaring that he had robbed the post office at Sialb Fork, near Coburn, W. Va., in 1914, Charles Kuncio, aged 29, surrendered himself to the local federal authorities. He said he decided to give himself up after dreaming that he had been arrested. Kuncio said he walked more than 100 miles through the mountains in order to reach Charleston.

OBJECT TO CHARTER

The Killinger Electric Co., of Williamstown and Lykens, to-day protested before the Public Service Commission against approval of incorporation papers of the Halifax Township Electric Light, Heat and Power Company, claiming exclusive right to the territory. There was no objection to the Halifax and Upper Paxton Companies' charters. The contract between Highspire and the Harrisburg Light and Power Company was not opposed. The hearing in the Killinger case has been set for September 4.

TWO NEW CASES IN DELAWARE

Wilmington, Del., Aug. 21.—Two new cases of infantile paralysis one of which has proved fatal, have developed here. This makes a total of two deaths in the State from the disease. The fatal case was that of Frieda Kline, aged 4, daughter of Eli I. Kline, 1004 Delaware avenue, Wilmington.

MOVE ITALIANS INTO BALKANS

Disembarking at Saloniki; Means Declaration of War on Germany

Paris, Aug. 21.—Italian troops began to disembark at Saloniki yesterday, says a Havas dispatch from that point. On leaving their ships, the dispatch says, the Italians passed through Saloniki to camp, preceded by military bands of the allies and cheered by the populace.

Active participation by Italian troops in the Saloniki campaign would mean the existence of a state of war between Germany and Italy. Germany is directing the operations against the allies on this front and as the official German reports show, has forces there. Some Austrian troops also probably are employed and possibly Turks, but the major portion of the army is made up of Bulgarians. Recent reports have indicated the withdrawal of Austrian troops from the Balkans for use on the Russian and Italian fronts.

As the entente allies are believed to have a force of some 700,000 British, French and Serbian troops on the Saloniki front, the sending of reinforcements at this time, just after the opening of hostilities on a large scale, would indicate that the allies have embarked on a campaign of extensive proportions. Italy, which has a considerable surplus of troops, has been urged to take a more active part in the Balkan operations, but was believed to have refrained partly on account of the fact that she was not at war with Germany. There have been several recent indications, however, that a declaration of hostilities was forthcoming. A commercial treaty between these nations was abrogated, a German court ruled that Germany is actually, though not formally, at war with Italy, and last week it was reported that the defense of Trieste would be taken over by Germans. Italian participation in the Balkan operations hitherto has been limited to occupation of the Albanian port of Avlona, which was effected before Italy declared war on Austria.

Center of Paralysis Epidemic Shifts to Manhattan; 33 Deaths

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New York, Aug. 21.—The center of the epidemic of infantile paralysis shifted to-day from Brooklyn to Manhattan and there were more deaths and new cases in the latter borough than at any time since the inception of the disease. The Health Department's bulletin to-day showed a decrease in new cases and an increase in fatalities over yesterday. During the 24 hours preceding 10 a. m. the plague killed 33 children and 32 new cases were reported as compared with 108 new cases and 20 deaths yesterday. In Manhattan alone there were 17 deaths and 32 new cases.

Local Ice Factories Unable to Meet Demand

Ice dealers of the city announced to-day that they will probably be able to supply the demand for ice for the remainder of the summer, but that a large amount of the supply is shipped here from artificial plants in other cities, as the local manufactories are unable to furnish enough for their needs. A small supply of natural ice is responsible for the shortage existing in this section of the country. Some of the local dealers were able to obtain only one-third of the amount stored in former years because of the poor quality of some of the ice and the short periods of freezing weather. There is no danger of an ice famine at present, however, according to the dealers.

Today Is the Birthday Anniversary of



C. E. COOPER

Proprietor of one of the largest dairy plants in the city, located at Twentieth and Brookwood streets, Mr. Cooper was born in Lykens Valley and early moved to Reading where he was connected with the Philadelphia and Reading railroad. He moved to this city about fourteen years ago.

2 DEAD, 4 HURT IN AUTO WRECK

Car Running at Terrific Speed Loses Wheel, Upsets; Other Accidents

Special to the Telegraph Lebanon, Pa., Aug. 21.—Two men were killed and four others badly injured, one probably fatally, yesterday, when a big touring car got beyond control of the owner on the Fredericksburg road, three miles out of the city limits. The dead are: John Neidig, aged 52 years, a hotel proprietor, Palmyra. Frank Steffy, aged 45, of Lebanon, a passenger train conductor of the Cornwall & Lebanon Railroad.

The Injured

The injured are: Lee Michael, a Lebanon hotel man. Charles Youtz, Michael's bartender. Warren Smith, a printer. Bert Walmer, a clerk.

The party was on the way to a resort on Swatara creek, to participate in a picnic given by a local fraternal organization. The car was the property of Neidig, and the survivors say he ran the machine at terrific speed on the State road to get up a hill just ahead. Of a sudden the car skidded into a gutter at a slight curve, and in pulling out, the hind wheel was torn off. The car then turned completely over, spilling out the occupants. Neidig was caught under the car and his head was crushed. Steffy fell in such a manner that the wheelless hub caught his neck and he was choked to death before help arrived to lift the heavy car and release the body. The Good Samaritan Hospital ambulance with surgeons and nurses was rushed to the scene, but most of the victims already had been brought to the city by passing automobiles. Walmer is the worst hurt of the survivors and may die. Michael suffered a broken arm, and the others were cut and bruised, but will recover. Neidig leaves a small family. Steffy was a prominent fireman and chief of the volunteer fire police force of the city. He was single. Neidig is responsible for a story to the effect that Smith, who is very timid, pleaded that Neidig go more slowly and that as a joke to frighten Smith, the driver then put on extra speed.

MRS. EVELYN B. CLIPPINGER

Mrs. Evelyn B. Clippinger, aged 37, 224 Emerald street, for the last three years connected with the choir of the Messiah Lutheran Church, died at her home Saturday after an illness of three weeks. She is survived by her husband, Charles F. Clippinger and two small children, Charles F. Clippinger, Jr., and Jane Elizabeth Clippinger. Funeral services will be held to-morrow afternoon at her home, with the Rev. Dr. George Edward Reed, former pastor of Dickinson College officiating. Burial will be made in the Harrisburg cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Clippinger have both been interested in the musical circles of the city for some time. Mr. Clippinger is in charge of the music of the First United Brethren Church.

SHOT THROUGH HAND

Special to the Telegraph Mifflintown, Pa., Aug. 21.—Robert Cramer of Mifflin, who with several friends were camping at Ridgedale mills near here accidentally shot himself with a rifle, while he was in a crouching position and preparing to shoot some crows near the camp. A .22-caliber bullet passed through Cramer's left hand.

WARNER'S AUTO KILLS BOY

Special to the Telegraph Hazleton, Pa., Aug. 21.—Andrew Yachiel, an eight-year-old farmer boy of Dennison township, above White Haven was instantly killed late yesterday afternoon when struck by the automobile of State Senator Elmer Warner, of Berks county. Mr. Warner was returning with his machine from Wilkes-Barre to Weatherly. The accident occurred on a sharp curve.

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