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TWO CENTS.

## GERMAN SUBMARINES SINK NINE VESSELS

All Sent to the Bottom But a Short Distance Off the Coast of Nantucket Yesterday and Today—Probably Three or More Submersibles Are Engaged in Warfare

## THREE BRITISH CRUISERS HAVE APPEARED ON THE SCENE TODAY

All of the Ships Destroyed Were British but Two, One Being a Dutch Freighter and the Other a Norwegian Tank Steamer—One Passenger Boat in List—People Aboard Allowed to Escape.

NEWPORT, R. I., Oct. 9.—German submarine warfare, brought to this side of the Atlantic Sunday, was pursued relentlessly throughout the night. With the dawn came reports of more vessels torpedoed and sunk. The captain of the Nantucket lightship reported that three German submarines were operating to the south and southeast and that a total of nine vessels had been destroyed. The identity of three of this number was unknown, but American destroyers were searching for their crews.

Three British cruisers were off Nantucket shoals early today in pursuit of the submarines. The passengers and crew of the British Red Cross liner Stephano and the crews of the British freighters, Strathdene and West Point, the Dutch freighter Bloomersdijk and the Norwegian tank steamer Christian Knudsen, destroyed yesterday, were landed at Newport today. The crew of the British freighter Kingston was missing, but was reported to be in lifeboats 30 miles southeast of Nantucket. The submarines had not been identified early today, but it is believed that one is the U-53 which called here Saturday. The belief is growing that she is only one of a fleet gathered for an attack on vessels of the allied nations.

Mrs. Henry B. Wilson of Williamstown, Mass., a passenger on the Stephano returning from a visit to the Grenfell mission in Labrador, said an officer and several of the crew told her they had distinctly seen the name U-61 on the submarine that attacked their ship.

Dr. Andrews, connected with the Grenfell mission, another Stephano passenger, said the Germans gave the boat proper warning and stood by until all the passengers were taken off. He said German seamen then boarded her and opened the water cocks, no torpedo being fired. He praised the work of the American destroyers which gave every possible assistance to the passengers. After the crews left the Bloomersdijk and the Knudsen, the captain of one of the boats asked the commanders of the destroyers Benham and McDougall, which had arrived on the scene to "Please to give them room to blow up the ship," according to officers of the Benham. The submarine then fired 36 shots into the Bloomersdijk and, failing to sink her, finished the ship with a torpedo.

A member of the destroyer Balch's crew insisted that he saw a German supply ship attending the submarines. Those rescued from the sunken ships were cared for at the naval training station here and at the homes of wealthy Newporters.

A cabin boy on the Bloomersdijk said this was the third time he had been on a torpedoed vessel.

NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—The British steamer Strathdene was fired upon without warning, according to the commander of the ship, Capt. Wilson, who was brought into port today by the steamer Elm No. 4 from Quebec with 33 members of the crew. Capt. Wilson said that the first thing he knew of the presence of the submarine was when shells began to fall about the ship about 6 o'clock yesterday morning. Time was given for the crew to take to the boats, he said, after which the vessel was torpedoed. Capt. Wilson and his crew also witnessed the torpedoing of the British steamship Kingston, which occurred while he and his crew were in their boats making their way to Nantucket lightship.

A long pedigree doesn't prevent a horse from losing a short race.

Time waits for no woman—but a man must wait for her.

## OWNERS AND AGENTS GREATLY ALARMED

Shipping Circles Completely Upset by the Latest Development in Submarine Warfare.

NEW YORK, October 9.—Owners, agents and others interested in vessels near the Atlantic coast flying the flag of nations hostile to Germany spent an anxious night and today sought every possible avenue of news regarding their ships. Many of the vessels within the most danger zone carry scores of American and European passengers, including some notable in financial, theatrical, diplomatic and social circles.

A genius is a man who can do almost anything but make a living.

Any young man can get a good living if his dad is rich.

## A GRAVE MENACE TO UNITED STATES

Submarine Situation Presents Many Points of Danger to This Country

## COMPLICATIONS NOT ALL WITH GERMANS

Might Easily Get into Trouble with the Allied Powers Who Are Gathering Cruisers Off the Southern New England Coast.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—Possibilities of diplomatic complications over the German submarine raid along the New England coast seemed today to point towards the allies as well as Germany. State and navy officials, scanning the unofficial reports of the destruction of ships within sight of American shores, found no reason today to change the first impressions that the submarine operations had been conducted so far within the limitation of international law, but they were alive to the dangerous possibilities. The destruction of an American ship might easily cause another Frye case and any loss of life at all in any case might easily reopen the whole submarine question. The threatened complication with the allies lies in their contention that submarines, because of their nature, should be excluded from all neutral ports.

Today's London despatches, quoting a Manchester paper as saying that the conditions are as "set out in the recent memorandum sent by the allies to neutral governments," contained the first intimation received here that anything in the nature of a formal representation had been made. The general opinion today was that with the gathering of allied cruisers off the New England coast the submarines would desert that field and strike their next blows further south. Some officials expected to hear of operations in the Gulf of Mexico, where a persistent story says a German base has been established and where the submarines could strike at the fleet of tank ships carrying fuel oil to the British navy, upon which the British depend almost entirely.

## PRESIDENT MAKES BRIEF STATEMENT

Says He Has No Right to Question the Willingness of Germany to Fulfill Promises.

LONG BRANCH, Oct. 9.—Just before Count Von Bernstorff called upon President Wilson at Shadow Lawn this afternoon, Mr. Wilson issued this statement: "The government will of course first inform itself as to all the facts that there may be no doubt or mistake as far as they are concerned. The country may rest assured that the German government will be held to the complete fulfillment of its promises to the government of the United States. I have no right now to question its willingness to fulfill them."

The White Sox defeated the Cubs Saturday in the final game of the city series by a score of 6 to 3. This is the sixth consecutive time the American league team has won the city series.

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## CRUISER WITH 2000 ABOARD TORPEDOED

Thirteen Hundred Picked Up by French Warship and Landed—Fate of Others Unknown.

PARIS, Oct. 9.—The steamship Gallia, an auxiliary cruiser carrying 2,000 Serbian and French soldiers, was torpedoed and sunk on Oct. 4 by a submarine. Thirteen hundred men, picked up by a French cruiser and landed in boats on the southern coast of Sardinia, have been accounted for.

## STEAMER KANSAN ARRIVES IN BOSTON

Stopped by German Submarine and Allowed to Proceed After Papers Were Examined.

BOSTON, Oct. 9.—The American steamer Kansan, which was stopped by a German submarine off the Nantucket lightship early Sunday morning and later allowed to proceed, arrived here today. The crew could not identify the submarine, but some of them, when shown a photograph of the U-53, said this was of another type, the arrangement of the masts being different. Capt. E. L. Smith said the submarine commander occupied about an hour examining the Kansan's papers. The Kansan had a large American flag painted on her side. In her hold were iron and steel intended for use in the manufacture of munitions for the allies.

At 4:35 Sunday morning when the Kansan was three miles south of the Nantucket lightship the captain heard a shot, but before the engine could be stopped a second shot was fired. The submarine then appeared off her bow. A youthful German officer came on the deck of the submarine and asked where the Kansan was bound. Captain Smith sent an officer, Hugh McNamara, to the submersible in a ship's boat with the Kansan's papers. The examination occupied about an hour. After McNamara had returned to his ship the German officer signalled that she might proceed. About an hour later the wireless operator on the Kansan picked up a message to the effect that the steamer West Point was being sunk.

## THE STOCK MARKET IS DEMORALIZED

Standard Issues and War Stocks Break from 5 to 12 Points at Today's Opening.

NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—The stock market was demoralized at today's opening, standard issues as well as war stocks breaking 5, 10 and 12 points. The break was attributed to the German submarine activities and their possible consequences. After the most exciting half hour seen in the stock market since the panic of 1907 the tide of liquidation was stemmed by a heavy volume of buying orders reported to have been sent by important banking interests.

## LARGE BUSINESS AT POSTOFFICE

Gross Receipts Past Year \$65,792.10, Increase of \$7,888.62—Government Net Receipts \$37,639.08.

The gross receipts of the Brattleboro postoffice for the year ended September 30th, 1916, amounted to \$65,792.10, an increase over the previous year of \$7,888.62. The net revenue to the government last year was \$37,639.08.

## U. S. MARSHAL FALLS AND BREAKS BONE

A. P. Carpenter of Brattleboro Was About to Step Into Bath Tub in Rutland—Broke Collar Bone.

United States Marshal Arthur P. Carpenter of Brattleboro fell in a bathroom in a Rutland hotel late Friday night as he was about to step into the bath tub and struck against the tub with such force as to break his collar bone on the left side. He managed to put on his nightshirt and go to his room, from which place he summoned assistance. He came by Clerk F. S. Platt of the United States court.

## POSITIONS CONSOLIDATED.

Russians Make Gains in Great Battle of Volhynia.

PETROGRAD, Oct. 9.—The great battle in Volhynia is continuing, the war office announces today, and the Russians have succeeded at some places in entering the Teutonic lines. The new positions have been consolidated.

## BURNING STEAMER SAFE.

Antilla Reaches Cape Charles, Va.—Flames Under Control.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Oct. 9.—The burning Ward liner Antilla reached the harbor of Cape Charles, Va., shortly before noon today, according to a wireless message received at Old Point Comfort. The vessel was in tow of the coast guard cutter Onondaga and the yacht Pacific. The flames were under control, the message said.

## SMITH AND RUTH PITCHERS TODAY

Myers of Brooklyn Clouts Ball for a Home Run in First Inning

## COVERING OF CLOUDS OBSCURED THE SKY

A Light Breeze Blowing, and There Appears to Be But Little Probability of Rain in Boston—Shorten Takes Walker's Place.

(Special to the Reformer.)

BRVES' FIELD, Boston, Oct. 9. A light covering of clouds obscured the sky when the crowds began to gather for the second game of the world's series today, but there appeared to be little probability of rain. There was a light breeze. The line-up was announced as follows: Boston: Hooper, rf; Jaavrin, 2b; Walker, cf; Hobbitzel, 1b; Lewis, lf; Gardner, 3b; Scott, ss; Thomas, c; Ruth, p. Brooklyn: Johnston, rf; Daubert, 1b; Myers, cf; Wheat, lf; Outshaw, 2b; Mowrey, 3b; Olson, ss; Miller, c; Smith, p. Myers made a home run clout in the first inning. Boston tied the score in the third. At the end of the fourth inning the score was 1 to 1.

## PUBLIC RECEPTION TONIGHT IN ARMORY

Company I to Be Guests from 8 to 12 O'clock—Leitinger's Orchestra to Play for Dancing.

An informal public reception will be tendered to the members of Company I, V. N. G., in the Armory this evening instead of at Island Park, as was first planned. The reception will be from 8 to 12 o'clock and a general invitation is extended to the public to attend and meet the boys who have been serving on the border and those who enlisted ready for the work but who were obliged to remain in the state camp and at Fort Ethan Allen. Leitinger's orchestra of five pieces will play for dancing during the evening. Capt. E. W. Gibson requests that all members of the company appear at the Armory in uniform.

## WHEAT PRICES DROPPED.

Decline in Some Cases Amounted to 5 Cents a Bushel. CHICAGO, Oct. 9.—Activity of the German submarines resulted today in a downward crash of wheat values. The break right at the start amounted to five cents a bushel in some cases.

## MARINE RATES JUMP.

One to Five Per Cent Insurance Advance on European Shipments. NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—Marine insurance rates from America to English ports today jumped from one to five per cent, in consequence of the German submarine operations.

## WILSON NOT ALARMED.

Has No News Indicating Threat of International Complications.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Oct. 9.—President Wilson early today was without information giving ground for fears that serious international complications might follow the German attacks on British and neutral shipping off the American coast.

## Centre Congregational Church

Wednesday at 7 p. m.—All women and girls who are willing to sing in the chorus in the missionary pageant to be held in connection with the state Sunday school convention are asked to meet in the Congregational chapel. A large attendance is desired.

Thursday at 2:30 p. m.—Meeting of the women of the parish in the chapel to complete the work begun for the home missionary box. At 3:30 p. m. a foreign missionary meeting will be held, when reports of the Vermont Branch meeting recently held in Woodstock will be given. A large attendance is hoped for.

## In Odd Fellows' Temple

Monday, Oct. 9, the Helen May Abbott company will give an entertainment in banquet hall under the auspices of the O. F. Public invited. Admission, 5c. Monday night at 7:30—Regular meeting of Wantastiquet lodge. Tuesday evening at 7:30—Regular meeting of Dennis Hebekeh lodge.

## MORE PRECAUTIONS BY HEALTH BOARD

Certain Children Must Not Attend Burlington Exhibition—Certain Teachers Also Affected.

Dr. H. D. Holton of Brattleboro, a member of the state board of health, at the request of Dr. C. H. Dalton of Burlington, secretary, has notified school authorities in Brattleboro that no children in towns where there is a case of infantile paralysis will be allowed to attend the Boys' and Girls' exposition in Burlington and that no teachers in schools in which cases have occurred the past month will be allowed to attend the state teachers' convention in Burlington. His letter of notification is as follows: "Dear Sir:—On account of the continued prevalence of infantile paralysis in the state, it is necessary to take unusual precautions against the spread of this disease. It is therefore the ruling of the state board of health that no children from a town in which there is now a case of infantile paralysis shall be allowed to attend the Boys' and Girls' exposition in Burlington this week; also that teachers of schools in which cases have occurred during the past month shall not be allowed to attend the teachers' convention in Burlington. This includes towns or schools in which cases may occur this week at any time previous to the dates of the above gatherings. Will you please give notice in your district accordingly. Yours very truly, DR. C. H. DALTON, Per order of the secretary Brattleboro, Oct. 8, 1916.

## MISS SHERBERT WEDS REUBEN W. BROWN

Double Ring Service by Rev. D. E. Trout—Will Be at Home at 213 Elliot St. After Nov. 1.

Reuben William Brown and Miss Lila Mac Sherbert were married this morning at 10 o'clock at the Unitarian parsonage, Rev. Delmar E. Trout performing the ceremony. They were attended by Mrs. F. A. Dalton of Rutland and Clair Gallup of Brattleboro. A double ring service was used. The bride wore a gown of blue messaline with hat to match and Mrs. Dalton wore a dress of blue taffeta with black hat. Mr. Brown, who is a clerk in C. F. Thomas's pharmacy, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Brown of Brattleboro. Mrs. Brown is a daughter of Mrs. Mary Sherbert of Stowe. She has been employed in A. E. Miller's candy store. They are to live at 213 Elliot street, where they will be at home after Nov. 1.

## SEARCHED FOR SUBMARINE.

Eastern Forwarding Co. Used Tugs Two Weeks at New London.

NEW LONDON, Conn., Oct. 9.—Officials of the Scott Wrecking company admitted last night their tugs were chartered by the Eastern Forwarding company to go out nightly for about two weeks cruising between Fishers Island and Montauk Point. The trips were made, so far as the Scott company officials know, for the purpose of locating a German submarine, the name of which was not divulged. The Scott company has furnished no supplies to any vessels outside New London harbor and claims to have no knowledge of any other company in this city delivering supplies to boats. Capt. Frederick Hinch, commander of the steamship Neckar, and in command of the North German Lloyd steamship interests in this country, when interviewed at his Ocean Beach residence last night stated that he knew nothing about the affairs of the German war submarine U-53, which torpedoed ships off Nantucket. No boats have been sent out from New London toward Nantucket waters and no survivors so far as known have arrived here.

The good luck of their friends worries some people more than anything else.

Those who look for trouble are apt to find fault.

## STELLMAN'S CAR TURNS BOTTOM UP

Selectman and Father Pinned Under it—Two Others Thrown Clear

## MACHINE SKIDDED AND HIT CURBING

Miss Pihl, School Teacher, and Ernest Aldrich, Occupied Back Seat—No Bones Broken—Attempt to Stop on Account of Street Car.

Selectman W. E. Stellman, his father, L. H. Stellman, Ernest Aldrich and Miss Martina Pihl, a teacher in the Main street school, were all somewhat bruised and scratched this morning when the Franklin touring car driven by W. E. Stellman, skidded on the slippery road on Western avenue near the junction of High street, struck the curbing and turned bottom upward. Mr. Aldrich and Miss Pihl, who were riding on the rear seat, were thrown clear of the car, but the Messrs. Stellman were pinned under it. While all were scratched and bruised no bones were broken. The car was considerably damaged, one mudguard being bent and the tonneau being badly scratched and marred. The Stellmans were driving from their home in West Brattleboro to Stellman & Son's machine shop. Miss Pihl and Mr. Aldrich were invited to ride. As they neared the junction of High street they saw a trolley car approaching. Rather than attempt to cross the track ahead of it Mr. Stellman put on the brakes. His car skidded on the slippery road and before he could regain control of it the machine struck the side of the road and tipped over.

## MISS FROST DIES OF NEURALGIA OF HEART

End Came This Morning in Home of Brother, Edward G. Frost—Devoted Member of Unitarian Church.

Miss Elizabeth Ann Frost, 77, died this morning at 3:30 o'clock at the home of her brother, Edward G. Frost of 18 Forest street. She had been in ill health this summer, but was confined to her room only yesterday. Neuralgia of the heart was the cause of death. Miss Frost was born in Brattleboro, Sept. 11, 1839, a daughter of John W. and Mary (Ryan) Frost. A large part of her life was spent in Brattleboro and at one time for six years she made her home with her cousin, Mrs. George W. Hooker. The greater part of the last two years she had spent with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Minor in Cleveland, O., and before that had lived with her in other cities in the Middle West. She came to Brattleboro last June to spend the summer here. She had been a devoted member of the Unitarian church and was prominent in several of the organizations of the church. She leaves two sisters, Mrs. W. H. Minor of Cleveland and Mrs. Love Goodell of Portland, Ore., and two brothers, John R. Frost of Pueblo, Col., and Edward G. Frost of Brattleboro. She leaves also several nephews and nieces.

## AN AMERICAN PATROL.

Warships to See That Our Neutrality Is Not Violated.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—The navy department began today preparations to establish a patrol of warships along the North Atlantic coast to make certain that American neutrality is not violated by the German submarine raid on allied shipping.



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