U. S. FREIGHT LINER SUNK BY SUBMARINE OFF SCOTLAND COAST

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The Leelanaw was torpedoed on July 17, having steamed up the Bay of Biscay. The vessel was detained at Kirkwall while inquiries were made as to the possibility of getting her cargo to Russia, as Sweden forbids the export of cotton.

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