

# U-BOAT SUNK BY STEAMER IN FIGHT!

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# GERMAN LINE CRUMBLES!

## SUBMARINE SUNK BY STEAMER OFF CANADIAN COAST

**In Running Battle With British Tanker Three Hundred Miles Northeast of Nantucket U-Boat Bursts Into Flames and Goes Down—Steamer Off Canadian Coast Seen Firing Shells At Some Object.**

**Norwegian Steamer San Jose Sunk Yesterday Off New England Coast By Another Submarine—Twenty-Five of Crew Missing—New Quebec Schooner Lost Near Sable Island.**

Philadelphia, Aug. 19.—A German submarine was sunk in a running battle with a British tank steamer last Friday about 300 miles northeast of Nantucket, (off the Canadian coast), according to a member of the tanker's crew. The oil ship arrived here tonight.

When first sighted the U-boat was two miles away, according to the captain of the tanker, who said he immediately opened fire. Two shots from the submarine struck the British ship, one of them passing through the boiler room and the other through a tank. Neither of the shells exploded and did no material damage, the captain reported.

Twenty-seven shots were fired by the tank ship, one or more of which, her master declared, scored clean hits, as flames were seen bursting from the port side of the submarine, which he said sank a few minutes later.

### Fired Shells.

A Canadian Atlantic Port, Aug. 19.—The mysterious cannonading off a port east of here has been explained by the arrival of a fishing schooner at a port still further east reporting that on Saturday afternoon a steamer was seen about fifteen miles off shore engaged in vigorously shelling some unseen object. The captain of the schooner reports that after a dozen shots had been fired by the steamer she became enveloped in smoke and disappeared from view. He believes that the steamer was either engaged in target practice or else was shelling what was thought to be a submarine and that finally the ship made use of a smoke screen to escape from the supposed U-boat.

### Another U-boat Sunk.

Boston, Aug. 19.—Captain David Evans, of the British steamer Penitence, who was taken aboard a German submarine as a prisoner of war after the undersize boat sank his vessel off Nantucket last week, was landed here late today. With Captain Evans were eight members of the crew of the Norwegian steamer San Jose, also a victim of the same submarine that destroyed the Penitence. The San Jose was sunk some time today. Captain Evans, who had been

## French Troops North of The Oise River Attain Outskirts Of Lassigny

Paris, Aug. 19.—The French troops north of the Oise river have reached the western outskirts of Lassigny, according to the official communication issued tonight. They also have made their way out of the Thiescourt Wood and further south have captured the village of Pimprez, on the Noyon - Compiègne road. Northwest of Soissons the village of Morsain has been captured and 2,200 Germans have been made prisoner in this region.

The text of the communication follows: "Between the Matz and the Oise we continued to make progress during the day. Our troops, in spite of stubborn resistance by the enemy, have captured Fresnoies and reached the western outskirts of Lassigny.

"Further south we have succeeded in debouching from the Thiescourt Wood. On our right we have captured Pimprez and advanced up to the southern outskirts of Deslincourt.

"To the north of the Aisne, completing our success between Carlepont and Fontenoy, we have captured the village of Morsain.

"The number of prisoners captured in this region since yesterday has reached 2,200.

"Aviation—During the 18th three German airplanes were brought down and one captive balloon was sent down in flames. On the night of the 18th-19th our bombing squadrons dropped eight tons of bombs on bivouacs in the region of Berry-Au-Bac and Guignicourt and the railway stations of Mesieres and Chapellet-Sur-Returne.

"Army of the East, Aug. 18.—There has been the usual artillery and patrol activity on the Serbian front. In Albania the enemy has ceased completely his attacks.

"British aviators have bombarded enemy encampments in the region of the Vardar and brought down two enemy machines."

## ENEMY LINES IN A BAD PREDICAMENT

**Germans on Three Important Sectors on Western Battle Front Compelled To Give Up Positions of Great Strategic Value Under Onslaughts of British and French Troops.**

(By The Associated Press.)

The Germans on three important sectors of the western battle front have been compelled to give up positions of great strategic value under the onslaughts of the British and French troops.

In the Lys sector west of Arras the enemy has retreated over a front of nearly six miles, leaving the town of Merville in British hands. Between the Matz and Oise River the French have fought their way to the western outskirts of the dominating position of Lassigny and farther south in this hill and wooded region have debouched from the Thiescourt Wood and also captured the town of Pimprez, situated in the Oise Valley, on the Noyon-Compiègne Road.

Around the curve in the battle line northwest of Soissons the French from near Carlepont to Fontenoy on the Aisne, a distance of approximately nine miles, have driven back the enemy to an average depth of more than a mile and captured several villages and 2,200 prisoners.

## CHAUFFEURS WERE RUNNING TOO FAST DECLARES JURY

Same Verdict Returned on Deaths of Mrs. Bonnell and Mrs. Ogilvie—Injured Doing Well.

Special to The Standard  
New Glasgow, Aug. 19.—An inquest into the cause of the death of Mrs. Ogilvie and Mrs. Bonnell, who were killed in an auto accident on Satur-

### German Line in Danger.

The Lys salient is fast falling away under the attacks of the British and the voluntary retirement of the German to new defense positions eastward, and seemingly the big westerly bulge into the Allied line between Ypres and La Bassée soon must disappear.

Under the new gains of the British around Roye and particularly those made by the French from Lassigny to the Oise Valley and northwest of Soissons, the Germans now are in a bad predicament. Here their positions are dominated by the Allied guns from the west, southwest and south for many miles and apparently a retreat eastward across the plains of Picardy and over the Somme, and even from the western Aisne will be necessitated.

Additional American troops arrived last week in Vladivostok to aid the other international troops in their operations against the Bolsheviks and German forces in Siberia.

day was held in the Court House. The evidence of a number of witnesses was taken and the following verdict rendered:—"That Mrs. Warren Ogilvie of Truro came to her death by being crushed by an auto on the Chance Harbor Road on August 17, 1918, overturned for lack of room to pass another car driven by Thomas McNaughton. The jury are of the opinion that drivers of said cars were running at too great a speed for safety on such a road and that greater caution should be exercised by drivers in future."

The above verdict also applies to the death of Mrs. Bonnell, it having been decided that the same evidence would apply to both deaths.

## BRITISH FORCES ADVANCE ON 10,000 YARD FRONT, TAKING THE VILLAGE OF MERVILLE

### CHINESE SEND MANY TROOPS

**Threatened Invasion By Germans, Hungarians and Russian Reds—Reign of Terror in Petrograd.**

Washington, Aug. 19.—The Chinese government has sent a large force of troops to the Siberian border to prevent a threatened invasion of Chery by German and Hungarian prisoners of war who joined with the Red Guard and other elements of the Bolsheviks against the Czech-Slovak in the trans-Baikal region.

Washington, Aug. 19.—Petrograd's reign of terror is reported raging unchecked, in an official despatch today from Stockholm. It is estimated that 60,000 arrests have been made since the beginning of August, among army officers and middle class citizens. The Bolshevik chiefs are said to be on board the warship Aurora in the roadstead of Kronstadt, prepared to sail for Germany in case of a successful uprising against them.

### ARREST FOUR MEN ON SUSPICION OF BEING ALIEN SPIES

Prisoners at Campbellton Had Views of St. John Harbor, Rockwood Park and Other Places—Posed As Picture Men.

### Special to The Standard.

Moncton, Aug. 19.—Chief Rideout received word from Campbellton chief of police today that four picture men who were recently operating in Moncton, St. John, Sydney and other places, have been arrested by the military authorities on suspicion of being spies. Three of the party, named Waller, Ernst and Werner, were in Moncton recently taking landscape views, buildings, etc., and were objects of suspicion. When they left here they were joined by one Perry, recently a member of the Moncton police force. The three first named claimed to belong to Guelph, Kitchener and Waterloo, but enquiry at those places disclosed that only Waller was known. They are said to have come to Canada from the States. They had views of Rockwood Park, and harbor views of St. John, and also views of Sydney and other places in the provinces.

### MONCTON NEWSPAPER MAN DIES OF WOUNDS

Thomas Price Lost Right Hand and Sustained Fracture of Skull in Italy.

Special to The Standard.  
Moncton, Aug. 19.—Mrs. Thos. Price, this city, received a letter today from her sister in England to the effect that her brother, Thomas Price, a former well known newspaper man employed in Moncton, had died from wounds received on the Italian front. He was wounded April 14 and died May 10. He had six shell wounds, his right hand blown off and skull fractured. He joined the Imperial army after leaving Canada and served in France, Flanders and Italy. Price was a native of England. He is survived by his wife and two young children, residing in Moncton.

**They Also Capture Railway Station of Important Town of Roye—French Enter Village of Le Hamel, Representing Advance of One Mile and Three Quarters, and Attain All Objectives.**

**Germans Strongly Attack British Over Mile Front Between Herleville and Lihons, Northwest of Chaunes, Penetrating Line At Two Points, But Are Immediately Driven Out in Counter-Attack.**

London, Aug. 19.—British troops today captured the railway station at Roye, according to the latest news received this evening from the Anglo-French battle front.

The attack today by the Tenth French Army under General Mangin was brought to a satisfactory conclusion. All the objectives were attained. The French entered the village of Le Hamel, north of Ribecourt, which represents an advance of one mile and three quarters.

The British forces on the Lys salient have advanced on a front of 10,000 yards, entering the town of Merville and reaching the road running from Paradis to Les Puresbecques through Merville, according to Field Marshal Haig's communication issued tonight. Northwest of Chaunes the Germans this morning in an attack over a mile front between Herleville and Lihons penetrated the British line at two points, but immediately afterward were driven out in a counter-attack and the line was restored.

The text of the communication says:

**Strong Enemy Attack.**  
The enemy this morning strongly attacked on a front of a mile against our positions between Lihons and Herleville.

He succeeded in penetrating our line at two points, but was immediately driven out by our counter attack and the situation was completely restored.

Many casualties were inflicted on the enemy and a few prisoners were captured. Our advance has continued in the Merville sector (Lys Salient).

Considerable progress has been made on a front of 10,000 yards. We reached the line of road running through Merville from Paradis to Les Puresbecques and have entered Merville.

There was sharp fighting at different points in the course of our advance and a number of prisoners and machine guns were captured.

The total prisoners captured yesterday in the neighborhood of Outterster was 676.

**Berlin Admits Check.**  
Berlin via London, Aug. 19.—Penetration by the Entente Allied forces into the western part of Beauvraignes is admitted in the official statement of the German High Command.

### GEN. MACDONNELL AT CAMP SUSSEX

Capt. Logan Appointed Temporary Assistant Judge Advocate General Here — Capt. Keirstead Promoted.

Special to The Standard.  
Camp Sussex, Aug. 19.—Brigadier General A. H. Macdonnell, C. M. G. D. S. O., district officer commanding M.

the war office today. Repeated Allied attacks northwest of Lassigny were beaten off, the statement says, while successful thrusts were made by the German forces northwest of Roye.

**French Repel Objectives.**  
London, Aug. 19.—During the fighting last night and today between the Oise and Aisne the principal trouble encountered by the French was from the resistance from the German machine gunners and aviators, who have shown far more spirit and determination than any other branch of the German service.

All along the whole front of last night's attack the French reached their objectives in the short time allotted to the advance.

The gains made by the French in the past 24 hours are regarded here as very important from the standpoint of future operations. The French won valuable high ground and are in a position to give the Germans the greatest anxiety both east and west of Soissons.

The French now hold ridges overlooking the Oise Valley on both north and south and large bodies of German troops stationed along the Little river are in a position where they are continually menaced from both the north and the south by a movement which would pitch them severely.

Captain G. Earle Logan, adjutant of the Depot Battalion, has been appointed temporary assistant judge advocate general of M. D. No. 7. Capt. Logan will leave for St. John on Monday next to take over his new duties. Captain J. Vernon Keirstead will temporarily assume the adjutancy of the Depot Battalion. Captain Keirstead's rapid rise in the military is a matter of congratulation to this officer.

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The EXTREME PENALTY OF THE LAW will be visited upon defaulters AFTER THAT DATE.