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COMMONS SITS TILL LATE ON MUNITIONS BILL

Sir Henry Datzel Declares Management War Department

NATIONAL SCANDAL Lloyd-George Promises Enquiry Into the Matter

London, July 2.—The Commons, after suspending the eleven o'clock rising rule, sat until midnight this morning in order to put the munitions measure through the last stages.

In proposing a new clause, transferring all powers possessed by the Ordnance Department of the War Office to the new Minister of Munitions, Sir Henry Datzel declared the management of the Department has been recognized as a national scandal.

SUBMARINE WAS TOO SWIFT FOR ARMENIAN

Avonmouth, July 1.—There were eleven Americans among the nineteen members of the crew who lost their lives by the sinking of the Leyland line freight steamer Armenian by a German submarine, off Trevade Head, Cornwall, on Monday.

The submarine was first sighted by the man at the wheel, and, though the ship was pushed to the limit, the underwater craft overhauled her and commenced shelling.

Germans Restrict All Travelling On Swiss Frontier

Geneva, July 1.—The Swiss people are wondering what is happening on the other side of the Rhine. No German trains are arriving at Constance, and the Swiss railway as a consequence has been obliged to suspend international service in this section.

The Germans also suspended the steamship service on Lake Constance. Swiss neutrals, as well as others, including Americans, have been unable to enter Switzerland, all being stopped on the frontier.

Good Work Of Russian Airmen

Berlin, July 1.—Several German ammunition trains carrying munitions to Gen. Von Mackenzen's army in Galicia, were blown up at Przeworsky by Russian aviators, on Sunday.

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BRITISH.

London, July 1.—The French Government report German attacks east of Metzler repulsed. After two unsuccessful attacks in the Argonne the Germans gained footing in some part of the French line near Bagatelle.

FRENCH.

Paris, via St. Pierre, June 30. (midnight)—On the banks of the Yser and north of Arras artillery contests; between the Oise and Argonne a calm day. After a uninterrupted bombardment lasting three days the Germans attacked our positions between Binarville and Four de Paris road.

Lloyd George replying, said it was more important to guarantee that the mistakes made in the past should not be perpetuated, and admitted there had been serious mistakes in judgment and added the questions raised would have to be investigated and responsibility placed on the right shoulders.

Submarine Sinks Cargo of Grain

London, July 1.—The British steamship Lomas, from Argentina for Belfast, with a cargo of corn, was sunk by a German submarine on Wednesday afternoon, sixty miles west of Scilly Islands.

The submarine first fired two shots, presumably as a summons to haul to, but the second shell struck the steamer, killing the second officer.

Two Victims Submarine Attacks

London, July 1.—The Norwegian steamer Marina, bound for Leit with a cargo of pit props, has been sunk by a German submarine off Halsund, The British barque Thistebank, which sailed from Bahia Blanca, Argentina, on April 26th, with a cargo of wheat for Queenstown, was torpedoed by a German submarine yesterday at a point off Fastnet, Ireland.

France Denies Her Artillery Using American Shells

Paris, July 1.—With reference to an interview published in America, in which Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria is quoted as saying that fifty per cent. of the shells used by the French were manufactured in the States, the Ministry of War made to the Associated Press the following official statement:

Bulgarian Reserves Get Notification

London, July 1.—Bulgarian reservists in London were served with notice today, as to their respective regiments so as to know where to report immediately in event of being called to the colors.

AUSTRO-GERMAN DRIVE BECOMING MORE FORMIDABLE

Fighting Along the Guila Lipa Still Raging Furiously-- Developments in Galacian Campaign Astounding the Allies

London, July 2.—The northward drive of the Austro-German armies from Galicia into Poland is daily becoming more formidable. Britain is puzzled as to whether they propose to make the main effort in this direction, instead of maintaining the concentrated offensive to the eastward to force the Russians out of the south-west tip of Galicia.

This afternoon Berlin official communication not only records progress in this sector, but further North in an arc around Lemberg, well along what now is become the Northern front between the Vistula and Bug Rivers.

Germany Preparing Big Attempt Break Through French Lines Says Lieut. Colonel Rousset, French Military Critic, But Says Failure Awaits Them

Paris, July 2.—The furious German attacks in the Argonne by an entire army corps with the object of breaking through the French line in the hope of reaching Verdun, will be repeated, according to Lieut-Col. Rousset, military critic of the Petit Parisien.

Incredible Story From Switzerland

Geneva, July 1.—A despatch from Austria to the Geneva Tribune reports the capture by Italians of the mountain fortress of Consignua, 2500 metres north of Ala in Trentino, which cost the Austrians £800,000 to construct.

Leyland Liner Was Engaged by Admiralty

Washington, July 1.—The Leyland steamer Armenian was engaged on Admiralty business when she was sunk by a German submarine off the Cornwall coast, two days ago, with the loss of a score of American lives.

British Destroyer "Lightning" Lost

London, July 1.—The British Admiralty announced tonight that the torpedo boat destroyer Lightning had been lost, and fourteen members of her crew are missing.

All's Quiet Along the Niemen Vistula Front

Petrograd, July 1.—There has been a lull in the Shavli region, on the Niemen and Maro fronts, and on the front, also on the left bank of the Vistula. Noticing the enemy crossing the Dniester, near Halicz, we took the offensive and drove him back, making hundreds of prisoners.

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Lieut-Col. Rousset and other military writers agree however that French forces have made such preparations as to insure the failure of all efforts on the part of the Crown Prince's army.

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German Attempt To Land Troops In Courland

Petrograd, July 1.—An attempt by German warships to bombard the port of Windau, Courland, and land troops was repulsed by the Russians, according to an official statement.

French Airmen Attack German Towns in Alsace

Paris, July 1.—Even French aeroplanes flying across the Black Forest in three squadrons, attacked seven German towns in Alsace on Wednesday, and also bombarded three railway lines.

Greece Claims Section of Albania

Rome, July 2.—A despatch to the Tribune from Antivari, Montenegro, says that two large Greek bands are advancing toward Berat, Albania, after occupying a village along the way.

Fireworks Factory Marseilles Destroyed

Marseilles, July 2.—An explosion yesterday destroyed the illuminating rocket factory, where one hundred persons were employed. Eighty women were working in the factory at the time. The fire spread rapidly.

Carranza Fails To Capture Mexico

Mexico City, July 2.—Repeated attempts made by the Carranza army directed by General Gonzalez to capture Mexico City have failed so far. The forces under General Zapata and Carza claim to have had the advantage in the fighting.

Serbians Capture Town and Prisoners

Nish, Serbia, July 2.—An official communication issued today by the War Office states that on June 27th the Serbians succeeded in forcing a landing at Micharska, near Shabatz and captured the place, making 185 prisoners and much material.

IN DAYS GONE BY

July 1 Old city cemeteries closed by Proclamation 1849.

Tilt Cove mine sold to C. F. Bennett for £45,000 1890.

Newfoundland Law Society instituted 1834.

Belvedere Cemetery consecrated by Bishop Mullock 1855.

Dr. A. J. Harvey died at Bermuda 1858.

Requiem Mass in old chapel for Daniel O'Connell 1847. All shops and business suspended for the day.

First through train to Port aux Basques 1898.

Steamer Merlin first arrived in St. John's 1850.

John L. Slattery and M. K. Greene appointed City Treasurer and Secretary respectively 1899.

Dog Tax first put in force by Proclamation 1888.

Kallem Noah opened business 1897.

July 2 Battle of Gettysburg, 39,000 killed and wounded, 1863.

Spanish fleet under Admiral Cervera destroyed 1898.

Visited Christian Brother Schools

This forenoon His Grace Archbishop Roche visited the schools of the Christian Brothers, St. Patrick's Hall and was received by Revs. Superior Ryan, Bros. Kennedy and Ryan and given an ovation by the pupils.

TENSION IN UNITED STATES OVER LOSS OF AMERICAN LIVES HAS SLACKED OFF CONSIDERABLY

Germany Justified Under International Laws, When Ship Resisted Capture

Washington, July 2nd.—Tension over the destruction of the British steamer "Armenian" with the loss of a number of lives considerably relaxed to-day the following receipt of unofficial advices, telling of the apparent refusal of the ship's commander to heed the warning of the German submarine to stop.

Italian Ship Sunk By Submarine

London, July 2.—The Italian ship Sardome, timber laden, was torpedoed without warning, five miles from Castletown, Bear Haven, Ireland. Two of the crew were killed outright and several wounded or missing, seven were saved. The Sardome sailed from Bunburg, February 21 for London.

Bad Weather Hinders Italian Advance in Tyrol

Udine, Italy.—The Italian advance in the Tyrol is seriously hindered by continued bad weather, which is exceptional in midsummer. Mountaineers do not remember the season when there has been so much snow on the heights on July 1st.

Submarines Sink Three British Steamers

London, July 2.—Three British steamers, Inglemoor, Caucasian and Wellsbury were torpedoed and sunk to-day by German submarines. The crew of the Inglemoor and Caucasian were landed at Falmouth. The crew of the Wellsbury safe.

Police Court

Before C. H. Hutchings, K.C., J.P. Annie Ryan of Turke's Cove, pleaded guilty to attempted train-wrecking at Woodford's on June 23rd and was sentenced to six months imprisonment.

"ARMENIAN'S" CAPT. DESCRIBES THE CHASE AND HER CAPTURE

Ship on Fire in Three Places Badly Damaged BY SHELL FIRE

When he Thought it Prudent to Surrender

London, July 2.—Captain Trickey, of the steamship Armenian, in an interview today said, he only surrendered to the German submarine when the freighter was afire in three places. After the ship's engines had been put out of action and a dozen members of the crew had been killed by shrapnel fire. Most of the members of the crew who had perished, Trickey said, were Americans.

The submarine, as signal for us to stop, said the Capt. first put a couple of shots over our bow, when we were four miles off. I put my stern to him and ran for it. The submarine then began to shell us in earnest, shrapnel bursting all around us, killing several of the crew and knocking others overboard. I soon realized the enemy was gaining on us, but I did not propose to surrender without a struggle, but my steering gear was soon hit and placed out of commission.

A shell fell into the engine room, another carried the Marconi house away and still another cut down the funnel and disabled the stokers preventing them from keeping steam up. By this time the ship was on fire in three places so I decided to surrender. We had resisted the enemy for an hour and 12 or 13 men lay dead on the deck.

The submarine commander then forced me to clear the ship. The Armenian went down, shattered by two torpedoes. I must say that the submarine commander showed every fairness after we had given up, picking up many of the crew, who because of a damaged boat had fallen into the water.