

The Submarine Menace Near Home.

American Shipping Sunk Off New England Coast. Fighting on the Marne Continues, But Enemy's Advance Has Been Checked. Reserves Being Freely Used.

SEABARINES ON THIS SIDE.

NEW YORK, June 3. One steamer, one schooner, and two of three other vessels have been sunk off the Jersey coast by a German submarine. The ships were attacked some time during the night, according to information which was received here. Details were not immediately available. The port authorities barred the departure of outgoing ships this forenoon. It is thought here that the submarines are now being dealt with by American destroyers. One of the ships sunk was the Edward H. Cole, a sailing vessel. It was asserted in shipping circles that it was possible as many as six additional vessels were destroyed, not including those known to have been sunk.

ANOTHER REPORT.

CHATHAM, Mass., June 3. A report is current on the Cape that a ship has been torpedoed off Nantucket Shoals. No official confirmation of the report is obtainable.

VICTIMS MOSTLY SCHOONERS.

NEW YORK, June 3. Germany has carried her unrestricted submarine warfare to this side of the ocean, and at least five vessels have been sunk by submarine attacks off the Atlantic coast. Some reports say the number of victims already has reached 15. Besides the Cole four other schooners are reported as having been sunk. Details of the additional sinkings had not been received up to early this afternoon, but the report was that they had fallen victims to the enemy somewhere off the New England coast. They are the Hattie Dunn, a three-masted schooner of 365 tons, built in Thomaston, Me., in 1884; the Samuel W. Hathaway, a four-master, built at Brewer, Me., in 1907; the Jacob M. Haskell, also a four-master, built at Rockland, Me., of 1,382 tons, and Isabel B. Willeys, of Bath, Me., a three-master of 611 tons.

BAY CLOSED.

PROVIDENCE, R.I., June 3. Narragansett Bay was closed to outgoing vessels this morning, by order of the Commandant of the Naval Station at Newport.

LINER ATTACKED.

NEW YORK, June 3. A wireless S.O.S. call from the New York and Porto Rico line passenger steamship Carolina, saying that she was being attacked by a submarine was received here to-day. The Carolina, with 220 passengers aboard and 130 in her crew, was bound for an Atlantic port, at which she is due this afternoon, in twelve hours overdue. Her wireless call for help was received at seven o'clock last night. Shipping authorities estimate that when attacked she was in about the same position as the schooner Edward H. Cole, when that vessel was destroyed by a submarine. The Carolina was commanded by T. R. D. Barber.

SUBS. WELL ARMED.

WASHINGTON, June 3. A Navy Department statement, announcing the sinkings, says: "The Navy Department has been informed that three American schooners have been sunk off the coast by enemy submarines. The steamship Bristol, arriving at New York this morning, re-

ported that the four-masted schooner Edward H. Cole was sunk by a submarine at 6.30 p.m. Sunday fifty miles southeast of Barnegat, New Jersey, and that the Bristol rescued the crew and brought them to port. They also rescued the crew of another sailing vessel which was sunk. The Bristol reported that she encountered a submarine 39 miles off Barnegat at 4.30 p.m. Sunday, and that two submarines were lurking in the locality. The steamship Grecian reported that the schooner Jacob M. Haskell was sunk by gun fire by a German submarine in the same vicinity at noon on Sunday. The crew were rescued. It was also reported that the Isabella D. Willey was shelled by a submarine. Capt. Newcomb, of the Cole, stated that his vessel was attacked by a German submarine, which boarded him, took away his papers, and placed bombs on board. The captain and crew took to the boats. Capt. Newcomb stated that the submarine which attacked him was about two hundred feet long and carried two large guns, one forward and one aft, and a smaller one amidships.

SUB. VICTIMS ARRIVE.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, June 3. Fifteen survivors of three ships sunk by a German sub. off the Atlantic coast and held prisoners for a time on the U-boat, arrived here to-day on an American steamer to which they had been transferred from the submarine.

AFTER THE PIRATES.

NEW YORK, June 3. Scores of U. S. warships were scouring the waters of the North Atlantic coast to-night in search of the German subs. which made their long-expected attack on shipping in home waters late yesterday afternoon. Out of the flood of reports which swept through the maritime district after the Associated Press flashed the news that two cruiser subs. were operating 75 miles southeast of the Highlands of New Jersey these facts stood out. The steamer Carolina, of the new York and Porto Rico Steamship Co., has been sunk. Nothing is known of the fate of the 220 passengers and crew of 130.

U-BOAT REPORTED CAPTURED.

AN ATLANTIC PORT, June 3. Hovering for two days over the sea where the American tanker William Rockefeller had been sunk by a German submarine, a flotilla of destroyers and two seaplanes finally succeeded in capturing the U-boat, according to naval officers, survivors of the liner, who landed here to-day.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

PARIS, June 3. (Official.) Our troops continued their counter attacks during the night along the whole front between the Ourcq and the Marne, and gained ground at several points. A violent German attack delivered on both sides of the road between Chateau Thierry and Paris was broken up by the French in the southeast of Bour-Esches. The losses suffered by the enemy were heavy and the French took hundreds of prisoners. Everywhere else the French maintained their positions.

FRENCH RESISTANCE.

LONDON, June 3. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.) The story of the fighting of the past

two days is a story of increasing heroic French resistance to a desperate German rush. The enemy has shifted the direction of his attack from south to west, apparently not now intending to cross the Marne, and although the nearer to arresting the advance than at any time since the battle began, they have not arrested it. The immediate danger point is the Noyon, Soissons, Chateau Thierry line, where the fiercest fighting is proceeding. During the week end the enemy advance greatly slowed down, thanks chiefly to the tenacity with which the defenders cling to the outposts of Soissons which are the key positions. The German forces are closely packed around Soissons and unable to debouch therefrom. If the French can hold here a little longer, their reserves, whose weight is already beginning to be felt, should turn the scale and bring the enemy to a standstill. Some English experts express the opinion that the enemy is conducting the Marne offensive on such a scale that it is doubtful whether he will be able to manage another offensive simultaneously. Others think a further German advance would be very risky with the powerful French armies in the Champagne and Argonne regions in his rear. Others, again, think that Von Ludendorff, having secured the flank, may continue his efforts in the direction of Amiens. The view of Paris is one of patience and confidence. It is pointed out that the sudden check of the enemy advance is remarkable coming on the fifth day, as compared with the ninth day of the offensive in March, but it is pointed out that the Crown Prince may be calling a halt in order to await the arrival of delayed reserves, and with fourth divisions of the enemy reserves still unengaged, it behooves General Foch to employ his reserves in the most cautious way, otherwise while at grips with the enemy he may find himself held up at another point. The general view in Paris is inclined to be optimistic. A semi-official commentator declares that if complete stabilization is not yet achieved, at least the strategical balance is turning in favor of the Allies.

EQUILIBRIUM ESTABLISHED.

PARIS, June 3. An Allied offensive manoeuvre is predicted by Le Matin and Le Petit Parisien. They express the conviction that General Foch and General Petain, who proved themselves good offensive men in subordinate commands, will display the same qualities in the Supreme Commands of the Allied and French armies. All the newspapers, according to a Havas Agency, believe that the equilibrium seems to have been re-established on all points of the front, and that the situations are growing less in extent. The German assaults are still furious and violent, while the French resistance is fierce and energetic with numerous strong counter attacks. On Sunday the French held the enemy in check, and even forced him to withdraw from some points.

RESERVES COMING UP.

FRENCH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, June 2. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—The past week has brought many unwelcome surprises and hours of acute anxiety for which no blame is attached to the troops. If the front now shows a tendency to stabilize it is because the arrival of reinforcements has stiffened the line to a point at which it is physically possible to hold. Up to Sunday we could only hold the enemy from hour to hour, and the Germans were able to manoeuvre and go round obstacles. Their numerical advantage vanishes from day to day, and we have now arrived at a stage at which the formation of a continuous line forces the Germans to attempt mass attacks against strongly held positions instead of turning them. La Fere-Milon, the birth-place of Racine, was bombarded and shells are beginning to fall on Villers Cotterets. Our soldiers patrolled the sector during Saturday and the following night dropped 63 tons of explosives on German communications and troops. On Tuesday last an enemy column three miles long was attacked by fifty airplanes which, flying low, machine gunned, bombed and dispersed the troops over the neighboring fields. Sixteen German airplanes were brought down on the battlefield, besides a large number of balloons, five of which were destroyed in the Rheims sector during the day. This evening reports

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are more hopeful than any since the beginning of the battle, and for the first time since the beginning of the offensive the enemy gained no ground on his westward facing front in the direction of Paris where attack and counter attack falls in quick succession, and the gains of the Germans are at least counter balanced by those of the French. In the centre the enemy extended his front on the north bank of the Marne which is still bounded by Chateau Thierry, evacuated some days ago, and Verneuil and the north of the Marne near Rheims, the line runs practically straight to the northeast. There were no changes of importance in this direction except Rheims, where the Germans have drawn their line closer to-day.

SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS.

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, June 3. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—Our operations in the neighborhood of Vieux Berquin was completely successful and has given us some high ground and two farms which had been converted into machine gun posts. Our casualties were light although the enemy resisted with considerable obstinacy. Our raid to the east of Tilloy on Saturday was a most daring enterprise. We penetrated into the enemy lines to a depth of more than a thousand yards and cleared out four hundred yards of German trenches, bombing all dug-outs and blowing up a heavy trench mortar which had been troublesome. Prisoners estimated that an entire German company was wiped out.

EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS REPRESENTATIVE.

LONDON, June 3. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—In the House of Commons, Mr. A. Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced that Lord Newton and General Belfield would be the British delegates to the Hague with powers of the widest discretion in connection with the Exchange of prisoners of war.

THE U-41 (I)

NEW YORK, June 3. A mysterious carrier pigeon flying from the ocean, alighted on the boardwalk at Coney Island. Around the right leg of the bird was a tin carrier, on the inside of which were the figures 41. A peculiar thing about the bird was that when persons in civilian clothes came near it it would try to attack them, but when a patrolman arrived to take the pigeon to the station house she became very docile, seemingly to recognize a uniform. The navy intelligence bureau was notified.

GAVE BATTLE TO MARAUDER.

NEW YORK, June 3. At least one large merchant ship gave battle to a German submarine off the coast of New Jersey according to members of the crew of the schooner Edward H. Cole, one of the victims of the German raider. The submarine was the victor in this fight and later the same U-boat destroyed another big steamer after several hours fighting in the same vicinity. For 24 hours prior to the Cole's destruction, at four p.m., on Sunday when 75 miles off Highland Light, N. J., the crew saw an unusual amount of wreckage, the sea from this point to the shore also was filled with wreckage the rescue crew report.

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