# NAVAL TRANSPORT IS SUNK; GRAVE TROUBLE IN S. AFRICA 

## A Serious Situation In Union of South Africa Created By The Enemy

4 Premier Botha Issues Statement Showing That Serious Unrest Exists and That Strong Police and Military Measures Are Being Taken To Cope With Possible Outbreak.
Had Not Militia Taken Charge of Situation Promptly It Would Have Culminated in Grave Distrubances and Probably Serious Loss of LifeAn Enemy Plot.

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Pretoria, South Africa, July 5-Premier Botha, of the Union of South Africa, has issued a statement showing that serious unrest exists in Soun Afn to cope with the situation. Premier Botha said that had not prompt and effective military measurres been taken the situation would have cul minated in a grave disturbance and probaernment had infor
life The Boer leader added that the governmen mation pointing to the existence of a movement having for its object the subimeraion of the constitution by violent ment ods.

Continuing, Premier Botha, in his statement says: "There is good reason for suspecting that enemy agen cies are at work in this country and that they are intriguing to stir up strife. Not only among Europeans but also among the natives, and no means attain their object."

## ALLIES WORRYING

 THE ENEMY STILLNumerous Daily Raids Are All Useful and Are Made For a Purpose--The Men Bring in Prisoners Fromi Whom Useful Information Can Be Obtained-Some Other Benefits.

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By Hilaire Belloce




 THE BRITISH HAVE 1,500 PRISONERS ON THE SOMME

## BRITISH REPULSE AN ATTEMPT TO RETAKE VILLAGE OF HAMEL

British Front East of Amiens, on Each Side of Avre and Along the Somme, Seems To Be Storm Centre of Battle Front in France - French Consolidate Their New Position-ltalian Continue Progress-Finland To Declare Warr on Entente Sultan of Turkey May Have Been Asssassinated.
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Here the Australians, assisted by American detachments, surged forward on July 4 and drove the Cermans out of the village of Hamel and the Vaire and Hamel woods, to the south at the same time launching a secondary attack on
the German positions north of the Somme. Since that time the German positions north of the Somme. Sinces
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The Germans have been repulsed in an attempt to reThe Germans have been repuised in an aillage of Hamel and the wooded positions, of the Australians further south. The British official report says hat the enemy as stopped eases east of Hamel and to have ave Villers Bretonthrown
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## American Transport Covington, Formerly The Cincinnati Sunk

## Ex-German Sixteen Thousand Ton Steamer Had

 No Soldiers on Board At Time and Only Six of Crew Are Missing-Vessel Sent Down in War Zone.Submarine Which Hit Covington Not SightedTransport Remains Afloat For Hours and Sinks While in Tow-List of Lost Medics on Llandovery Castle.

Washington, July 5-The American army transport ovington, homeward bound after having landed several thousand soldiers in France, was torpedoed and sunk in the war zone last Monday night. Six members of the crew are missing, but all the other men, with the ship's officers, have been landed at a French

The Covington formerly was the Hamburg-American ner Cincinnati, which was laid up at Boston and taken over when the United States entered the war. She was 608 feet long, of 16,335 gross ton and had a speed of fifteen and
a half knots an hour. Thets an hour.
The Covington was struck at 9.17 oclock Monday night while proceeding with a fleet of other transports con-
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