



COMMANDER RESCUED FROM LOST U. S. DESTROYER; ITALIANS CHECK GERMANS IN MOUNTAIN PASSES; BRITISH ARREST HALIFAX DEATH SHIP SURVIVORS

U-BOAT THAT SUNK DESTROYER SEEN; TAKES PRISONER

Only Forty-Four of 110 or More Officers and Men Aboard Jacob Jones Known to Have Survived; German Diver Picks Up One Man and Carries Him Away

BULLETIN.

Washington—Further reports from Vice Admiral Sims today began to unfold the story of the torpedoing of the destroyer Jacob Jones, but did not lessen the toll of lives lost with the ship. Only 44 of 101 or more officers and men are known to have survived, including one unidentified man picked up and carried off by the submarine that struck the blow.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Lieutenant Commander David Worth Bagley and Lieutenant Norman Scott were among the survivors rescued after the sinking of the American destroyer Jacob Jones, by a German submarine in the war zone Thursday night. The Navy department was so advised late tonight by Vice Admiral Sims.

Admiral Sims' reports said that Commander Bagley and the five men saved with him got away in a motor boat and were picked up and landed uninjured at the Scilly islands.

These two officers, two warrant officers and two enlisted men were named in the admiral's dispatch as survivors in addition to the 37 previously reported saved.

It is now established that the other four survivors reported, besides Commander Bagley and Lieutenant Scott were:

- Chief Boatswain Mate Clarence McBride, Syracuse, N. Y. Coxswain Ben Nunery, Edgmoor, S. C. Chief Electrician Lawrence G. Kelly, address not given. Supplied With Rafts.

The survivors of the Jones undoubtedly owe their lives to the forethought of the Navy department in having provided every destroyer sent abroad with a complement of life rafts sufficient for the entire crew. They are lashed on deck in such fashion that they release themselves and come to the surface if the ship sinks. Destroyers cannot carry enough lifeboats for their complement without risking the fire of their guns and torpedo tubes.

Apparently the Jones went down almost at once. This was taken to mean that the torpedo had scored a fair hit amidships, possibly tearing the swift craft in two when it exploded. If this is true there can be no question that many of the crew died in the blast of the explosion or were carried down with the shattered hull without a chance to escape. Officers here felt that such a fate was preferable to hours of exposure and final death from cold on life rafts.

Navy officers and officials took pride in the fact that the Jacob Jones and its crew had written new honors into navy records before the vessel fell victim to an enemy torpedo. Electrician Confesses He Started \$200,000 Fire Chicago, Dec. 9.—Federal authorities announced last night that an electrician working in the United States general medical warehouse, which was destroyed by fire with a loss of \$200,000 today, has confessed that he started the fire by accidentally overturning a blow torch in a pile of shavings.

Eleven Men Lost When Tug Founders; Four Saved Atlanta City, N. J., Dec. 9.—Eleven men are believed to have been lost when the tug Eugene Moran of the Moran Towing company, New York, foundered off the inlet at Atlantic City yesterday. Four men were saved by lifeguards.

The Weather Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday. COOLER. Comparative Record. Highest yesterday... 19. Lowest today... -4. Mean temperature... -2.5. Precipitation... 0.03 inch.

REDS TELL OF OPEN WAR BY KALEDINES

Russian Government in Proclamation Announces That General Is in Revolt, Aided Imperialists.

London, Dec. 9.—A proclamation to the Russian nation has been issued by the Russian government announcing that "Kaledines and Korniloff, assisted by the Imperialists and Constitutional Democrats, have raised a revolt and declared war in the Don region against the people and the revolution."

The proclamation adds that "The Constitutional Democrats and Bourgeoisie are supplying the revolting generals with scores of millions."

Civil War Impends. General Kaledines, the Cossack leader, is at Novo-Tcherkask, where he is apparently awaiting events, according to a dispatch published by the Petrograd newspaper Den, says a semi-official Russian news agency dispatch from Petrograd, dated Saturday. In all the other Don districts, according to this information, the power is in the hands of the Soldiers' and Workmen's and the Ukrainian authorities.

"In the Soldiers' and Workmen's circles," continues the dispatch, "the opinion is held that General Kaledines has prepared for an armed demonstration. The government is taking the most vigorous measures to repel him."

Report on Armistice. Petrograd, Saturday, Dec. 8.—The Russian delegation from the front which took part in the armistice negotiations reported to the central executive committee and the Soldiers' and Workmen's council today.

The Russians proposed, according to members of the delegation, that the duration of the armistice be six months, with three days' notice of the resumption of hostilities; the armistice to embrace all fronts in all countries; troops to be transferred; Moon Sound and Moon Island to be evacuated by the Germans.

German Proposals. The Germans made the following counter proposals: The armistice to last only 28 days, to embrace only the Russian front; the transfer of units of less than one division to be permitted; Moon Sound and islands to remain in German occupation; the Russian troops to be removed from the Macedonian and French fronts; Russian and Turkish troops to evacuate Persia.

The consideration of the report was postponed. Knights of Columbus War Camp Fund Reaches \$176,191 Secretary W. C. Fraser of the state committee of the Knights of Columbus camp fund has received reports in the last five days which bring the total subscriptions to the fund, in Nebraska, to \$176,191.21.

The total subscription in Omaha is \$73,162.91, and the subscriptions outside of Omaha \$103,028.30. Among the subscriptions in Omaha in the last few days was one of \$215.25, collected under the leadership of Captain M. F. Dempsey, from members of the police force.

The campaign officially closed December 2, but outside towns have been re-posting all week and a great many remain to be heard from. The total will undoubtedly exceed \$200,000.00.

The original sum to be raised was fixed at \$75,000.00 and later raised to \$150,000.00. Start Hearings to Fix Price of Print Paper Washington, Dec. 9.—Hearings to assist the federal trade commission in fixing a just price for news print paper will begin here January 7, to continue 10 days or until all interested persons have been heard.

Motley Crowd Flees In Explosion Panic (By Associated Press.) Montreal, Dec. 9.—A graphic story of the flight of surviving inhabitants of Halifax after the explosion, is told by the Rev. George Adam, pastor of a Montreal Congregational church, who arrived here today from Halifax. He was in a hotel there at the time of the explosion.

"All that had been pictured and written of the fleeing Belgian refugees, flashed across my mind as I witnessed the stampede," he said. "The people had been warned by shouted instructions to proceed to the south of the town, as another explosion seemed imminent. "Nuns, who had left the cloistered quiet of their convents, old bedridden women, carried along in sheets, half dressed mothers with babies wrapped in blankets, hurried past, blind men were being led by little boys. It was pathetic, too, to see the little girls clutching their cats and pet dogs, rush past, Chinamen, shaken out of their celestial calm, careened southward. Bluejackets, firemen and sailors of all descriptions left their ships in the harbor and were making for safety. There were motors, too, and carts, and wagons, and perambulators in plenty in this flow of frightened people."

Where Italian Soldiers Stopped Rush of Invaders



Having failed to pierce the Italian line on the lower Piave at Asiago plateau (3), the Astico valley and the Setti commune. Last night announcement was made that the drive had been definitely checked in the narrow passes. Should the Italian line break here the invaders would menace Vicenza and from there go straight across the open plains to Padua and Venice.

ADMIRALTY TO INVESTIGATE COLLISION WHICH CAUSED AWFUL CANADIAN DISASTER

Captain, Pilot and Crew of Norwegian Steamer Imo Held for Examination; Government Appropriates \$1,000,000 for Relief; Nonresidents and Curiosity Hunters Ordered From City.

Halifax, Dec. 9.—All the survivors of the Norwegian steamer Imo, which collided with the French munition ship Mont Blanc, were made prisoners by the British naval authorities today. The Imo survivors were removed to a British cruiser and held for the admiralty investigation of the collision, which begins tomorrow. The number in custody was not revealed.

Captain Lamedoc of the Mont Blac and Pilot Mackay, which was bringing the vessel in when it was rammed by the Imo are to be placed under arrest, Acting Chief of Police Hanrahan announced tonight. Officers were sent out to get them and to hold them for the admiralty hearing, Hanrahan said.

Premier Robert L. Borden announced here tonight that a preliminary appropriation of \$1,000,000 had been made by the Canadian government for relief in Halifax. This fund will be placed at once in the hands of the citizens' finance committee.

All non-residents not engaged in relief work or here on business of extreme emergency today were requested by Mayor Martin to leave the city at once, because of the serious lack of accommodations and the shortage of food supplies. NON-RESIDENTS MUST LEAVE. In a second proclamation the mayor urged persons not on relief missions to stay away from Halifax for the next two weeks. After reports from committees which are endeavoring to handle a situation almost beyond them, Mayor Martin issued this proclamation: "On account of the serious lack of accommodations and scarcity of food supplies, all non-residents at present in the city not on relief work, or business of extreme urgency, are requested kindly to co-operate with the relief committee by leaving the city as soon as possible."

DEADLY THRUST AT ASIAGO PLAIN IS TURNED ASIDE

Defenders Hurl Huge Boulders Down Mountain Sides Upon Advancing Enemy and Enfilade Passes, With Withering Rifle and Artillery Fire, Compelling Invaders to Fall Back.

Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Saturday, Dec. 8, 6 P. M.—The battle of Asiago is virtually suspended, with the enemy checked, if not defeated, in his main design of breaking through to the Brenta valley and the plain a few miles below, although he succeeded in advancing his lines a short distance when the Italians fell back to new positions.

These positions, guarding the Frenzela and Gadena passes, have successfully resisted all enemy efforts, and the Italians on the steep heights on each side of the passes rain down artillery and rifle fire and release huge boulders every time the enemy forces try to get through.

This has continued until the Italians seem reasonably assured of holding the passes and compelling the enemy to look for another line of approach.

BLUFFS BOY LOST WITH DESTROYER SUNK BY U-BOAT

Walter Morrisette, Son of Teacher at Iowa School for Deaf, Victim on Jacob Jones.

Walter Morrisette, 23 years old, one of the crew of the Jacob Jones, lost in the Atlantic Thursday, when torpedoed by a German U-boat, was serving his second term in the United States navy. He enlisted the first time at Omaha six years ago and when his period of service expired re-enlisted at once.

He was a small boy when he first entered the service as a cook's assistant, but rapidly passed through the evolutionary stages until he had reached the highest possible promotion at the end of his first term.

He spent his youth in Council Bluffs and went through the grade schools here, but did not reach the high school until the lure of the navy called him away. His mother, Mrs. Carrie Morrisette, is teacher of domestic science at the Iowa School for the Deaf, and has been a member of the school faculty for the last 25 years.

Mrs. Morrisette was seen last night at the home of her sister, Mrs. L. R. Conboy, 2250 Avenue H. She had received a telegram from the Navy department during the evening, announcing that there were 36 survivors, but their names were not all available at the time. The hope was expressed that her son was among them and she was told that she would be advised by wire of his survival or death when the facts were ascertained.

Mrs. Morrisette has one other son, a resident of Fort Dodge, Ia, Miss Mary Pool, a trained nurse, is his sister. Walter was married at Philadelphia a year ago and his young wife is there now.

'Reds' Demand Allies State Full War Aims

London, Dec. 9.—The supreme moment of the Russian crisis has arrived. It is said that one effect of President Wilson's epochal message to congress has been to cause a suspension of the mad armistice scheme. In connection with this the Bolsheviks have sent an ultimatum to the allies demanding that they restate their war aims.

In connection with the seven-day armistice declared on the Russo-German front, Leon Trotsky, in the official communication received at London, says: "The period of delay thus given, even in the existing disturbed condition of international communications, is amply sufficient to afford the allied governments opportunity to define their attitude toward the peace negotiations; that is, their willingness or refusal to participate in negotiations for an armistice and peace."

"In case of refusal they must declare clearly and definitely before all mankind the aims for which the peoples of Europe may be called to shed their blood during the fourth year of the war."

There are rumors of internal developments of great importance. One is to the effect that former Emperor Nicholas has succeeded in effecting his escape. Little has developed as to what action the moderate forces of the nation may be contemplating in combating the Bolshevik measures, one of which is reported to be the impending repudiation of all of Russia's foreign loans.

TROOP TRAINS SCATTERED. An exceptionally large air raid was carried out yesterday with a fleet of 150 airplanes, including Italian light and heavy squadrons. The huge fleet flew low, scattering more than 2,000 bombs, which caused extensive damage in the northern sector, where the enemy is assembling forces and supplies. Troop trains were scattered, railway depots destroyed and munition supplies blown up. Large fires marked the route of the raiders, indicating the extent of the destruction.

Brazil Tightens on Treatment of Germans Rio Janeiro, Dec. 9.—The Brazilian cabinet at a meeting last night decided upon the following regulations with regard to German subjects in Brazil: To prohibit all commercial relations, direct or indirect between foreign nationals resident in Brazil and enemy subjects in foreign countries. To suspend the exportation of all kinds of goods belonging to the enemy. The authorities will be given special powers to control enemy enterprises and to put an end to such operations.

War Savings Stamps Are On Sale at Many Places Joseph Barker, chairman of the Omaha committee on war savings stamps, has established selling agencies for war stamps at all the department stores, at nearly all the drug stores and other institutions where it is thought the stamps may be asked for.

Postpone Hearings for 15 Per Cent Freight Rais. Washington, Dec. 9.—Hearing on western railroad applications for 15 per cent increase in freight rates, set for December 17, was indefinitely postponed yesterday by the Interstate Commerce commission at the request of the railroad.

Finnish Republic to Hold Election January 15 Stockholm, Dec. 9.—The proposal submitted to the Finnish Landtag by the senate provides that Finland shall become a republic with a president elected for a term of six years, according to advice reaching here from Helsingfors. The proposal provides that the first election shall be held January 15 and the president is to take office April 15. Until then the minister is to act as the head of the public.

British Refuse Release Of Imprisoned London, Dec. 9.—A British government release Tchitcherin and Petrograd correspondents says he understands what the Bolshevik headquarters day. The correspondent's eagerness of British cities is increasing daily.