

FEW OF JACOB JONES SURVIVE LONG EXPOSURE

Only Five Small Boats Escape Wreck; Men Half Dead After Seventeen Hours' Battle for Life.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 12.—The first survivors' story of the sinking of the American destroyer Jacob Jones, told by Lieutenant J. K. Richards, was made public today by the Navy department. It shows that only two small boats and three life rafts floated clear of the wreck. The men on these were picked up after 17 hours of exposure.

An official summary of the lieutenant's account follows:

"Lieutenant Richards says the destroyer was proceeding toward port after holding target practice, when, at 4:20 p. m., a torpedo was sighted by the lookout. The commanding officer, stationed on the bridge, ordered the rudder hard right and engines full steam ahead. The torpedo struck the ship on the starboard side, abreast of torpedo tube No. 3. This tube with torpedoes was blown 200 feet in the air. The radio was wrecked and the main mast brought down.

Vessel Begins to Settle.

"Guns were manned immediately, but no submarine was sighted and the vessel began to settle by the stern. The captain gave the order to abandon ship. Whaleboats, which were got out, capsized. The motor sailer could not be got out. A wherry and motor dory managed to escape safely. Three life rafts floated clear.

"The vessel sank at 4:29 p. m. Depth charges aboard exploded, apparently blowing off the stern of the ship.

"No survivors, except those in the boats and life rafts, were found after a thorough search, Lieutenant Richards said. After 17 hours in the water the men on the rafts were picked up by a British ship.

"The submarine, which was seen after the Jacob Jones sank, appeared to be about 150 feet in length, with 3-inch gun forward and two periscopes."

MEN OF LUCKY 7TH SUBJECT TO THE DRAFT

(Continued From First Page.) members have been put to considerable expense in traveling back and forth between Omaha and their home towns when they were instructed by wire to report at headquarters.

Through a misinterpretation of the general order from Washington some time ago it was understood that while the "Lucky Seventh" had been reported on adversely in the Central department certain defects would have to be corrected before the regiment could be recognized, but it cannot be drafted into service except by executive order.

What Governor Says.

Governor Neville said last night over long distance telephone to The Bee that some men in Lincoln had been granted discharges because it was possible to get them direct from the adjutant general. It was impossible for this to take place where the men lived at a distance. He said he had tried to arrange a plan whereby Major Abbott of Omaha might give men here desiring discharges certificates that discharges would be forthcoming with the idea that the federal recruiting officer might accept these, but this was not in effect last night and men of the Seventh, living outside Lincoln were therefore retained in the old organization of the Seventh as it was impossible to grant discharges other than from the adjutant general.

Kalendines' Men Beat Bolsheviki In Sharp Battle

(Continued From First Page.) imprisonment and banishment. Each juror can cause an arrest in an emergency, but the entire court must approve later. Any member can cause a prisoner to be released. The Petrograd advocates' congress has decided to ignore the law.

Courts to Help Bolsheviki.

Announcement was made today that revolutionary courts would be established throughout the country on December 20 to assist in carrying on the struggle of the Bolsheviki government against counter revolution and to stop brigandage, sabotage and speculation. Members of the courts will be revolutionaries chosen by local councils of soldiers' and workmen's delegates.

According to the announcement, the courts will have free choice of means of dealing with those who disobey orders of the revolutionaries. The following punishments are suggested:

Fines, public disapprobation, labor of state credit, compulsory labor, imprisonment. Every citizen of good standing is entitled to the services of a public advocate. All cases must first be submitted to an investigating committee nominated by the soldiers' and workmen's delegates.

Start Peace Meeting.

Representatives of all the Russian fronts started tonight for Brest-Litovsk to resume the armistice negotiations with the Germans. Lieutenant Colonel Fokke, the general staff member of the armistice committee, informed the Associated Press that the delegation would consist of 13 members, including General Skolok, one representative each from the northern, western, southwestern, Roumanian-Russian and Roumanian armies, M. Altflater, the naval representative, and five political delegates.

PROMPT INQUIRY IS DEMANDED BY 'TIMES'

Northote's Newspaper Calls For Searching and Complete Investigation Into British Reverse at Cambrai.

London, Dec. 12.—The Times, in an editorial printed in unusually heavy type, calls for a "prompt, searching and complete inquiry" respecting "the reversal of fortune" on the British front during the tremendous struggle on the southern side of the new Cambrai salient November 30 and the two following days.

"It was perhaps hardly possible from day to day," the Times adds, "and certainly unwise to attempt an authoritative account of the situation as a whole, though we cannot longer be satisfied with the fatuous estimates, for example, of the German losses, in men and morale which have inspired too many of the published messages."

To Seek Out Blunderer.

After asserting that the new line, as reconstituted, is securely held, the Times continues: "The published and censored version is being amplified daily by innumerable first hand accounts from officers and men who participated in the actual fighting. It is high time that this mass of partial information should be placed in its true perspective, blundering sifted and blame, if any, and where due, should take shape in prompt disapproval of every blunderer."

The Times forestalls a possible charge that in its article it is intruding against Field Marshal Haig by saying:

Some Serve Too Long.

"There is no question whatever of turning a temporary setback to the detriment of his great position or plans." But, it adds: "His weakness, if it be a weakness, is inveterate devotion to those who have served him the longest—some of them, perhaps, too long, or too long without a rest."

The newspaper says further that the Germans clearly took advantage of the brilliant British success to strike back unexpectedly at a "wholly unready" part of the line, and, referring to individual deeds of valor in this fighting already recorded—generals fighting in pajamas and doctors interrupted in dressing stations—says: "They are all magnificent, but should never have occurred."

GOLDEN DAYS FOR MAN WHO IS ABLE TO CALL MARKET

(Continued From First Page.) thing quoted on the New York stock exchange, realizing profits, the totals of which run well up in the four figures.

The way the market went Wednesday, in order to make money on stocks, all that had to be done was to sell short and have the nerve to stay. There were a good many Omahans who had money to put up the margins on their sales and stand by them. Those who did this raked in some nice profits at the close of the day, for the market on about every commodity quoted was at the high point at the opening. After that the entire line commenced to fall off, stocks tumbling like the pins of a bowling alley.

Roads Are Loyal.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The fullest measures of co-operation in any decision President Wilson may make to solve the railroad problem, even though he should choose government operation, was pledged to the president today by the railroads' war board, composed of a representative committee of railroad executives.

The railroad executives told the president they did not ask a billion-dollar loan or a suspension of the anti-trust and anti-pooling laws. They told him they believed the railroads themselves would be able to cope with the traffic congestion if the government would name a federal traffic director to co-ordinate all government shipments and have the government approve railroad credit for raising new capital.

Need Traffic Manager.

Thousands of priority orders, coming from as many sources, the railroad men declared, are the principal causes of congestion. Co-ordination of government shipments by a federal traffic manager, they said, would meet the situation.

If, however, the president, after considering all plans, decided to take over the railroads for government operation, the railroad executives declared, he would receive their fullest co-operation.

After seeing the railroad executives, President Wilson had an engagement with the heads of the four great railroad men's brotherhoods. They oppose government operation.

Brotherhood Men See Wilson.

Legislative agents of the four railroad brotherhoods, H. E. Willis, W. M. Clark, P. J. McNamara and W. M. Doak, had a brief conference with President Wilson late today. They declined to discuss the object of the conference, which was arranged at their request.

President Renders Account Of Hundred Million War Fund

Washington, Dec. 12.—An accounting to congress for the hundred million dollar war emergency fund placed in President Wilson's hands last April, shows that the president has allotted to 21 department bureaus and newly created war bodies \$31,597,000, of which \$21,651,000 has been spent. Congress now has been asked to make the remaining \$9,402,000 available up to the close of the fiscal year next June instead of only to Dec. 31, and today the house appropriations committee favorably reported a bill for that purpose.

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500 PERSONS IN HALIFAX BLIND BY THE DISASTER

Revised List Shows Total Dead Does Not Exceed 1,800 and 300 Children Are Orphaned.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 12.—A revised estimate today of the explosion casualties reduces the death list to approximately 1,800. The known dead total 800, and it is believed that not more than 1,000 bodies and perhaps only 900 still lie under the debris of shattered and burned buildings. The list of victims is steadily becoming smaller as relatives are reunited and refugees who left the city return.

From 300 to 500 persons are totally or partly blind and 200 children have each lost both parents, according to the American and Canadian workers investigating the situation.

Relief Ship Arrives.

The Boston relief ship Calvin Austin entered the harbor today. The formidable estimates of casualties made during the hours immediately after the explosion were due, it developed today, to the fact that some of the bodies were counted several times. The relief workers explained that even today's revised figures are not to be regarded as final, inasmuch as many families were destroyed, no members being alive to report such losses.

House Blown to Pieces.

It is estimated that 500 houses are wrecked beyond repair, that 500 others were totally destroyed, and that another 1,000 can be restored to use. Conditions in the town of Dartmouth were particularly distressing today. Some of the inhabitants who were injured by the explosion, fire or tidal wave had not received medical attention up to this morning, and the relief system is being reorganized so they may receive necessary aid at once. In one shelter in Dartmouth investigators found 300 men, women and children.

General Funeral.

A general funeral service for all the dead is to be held Friday. Some of the bodies will rest beside victims of the Titanic and Bourgoigne disasters in Fairview cemetery. Others will occupy so many graves in Camp Hill cemetery that this burial ground will be completely filled and will thereafter be closed.

Founder of Osteopathy School Dies in Missouri

Dr. A. T. Still, first president and founder of the American School of Osteopathy, died at Kirksville, Mo., according to word received in Omaha by Dr. C. B. Atzen. Dr. Still was 90 years old.

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- Initial Handkerchiefs \$1 to \$3 per box
- Traveling Bags and Suit Cases \$5.00 to \$25.00
- House Coats and Bath Robes \$5 to \$25
- Phoenix, Interwoven, McCallum Hosiery 30c to \$3 pair
- Sweater Coats \$4.00 to \$13.50
- SUITS AND OVER-COATS \$15 to \$60.00

Buy Another War Saving Stamp

German Agents Stab Woman in Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12.—German agents, in the opinion of the police, stabbed to death yesterday Mrs. Emma Beyers, wife of Hugo Beyers, a German electrical engineer and draftsman, and then wrecked by an explosion the Beyers home. Beyers had served under compulsion as a member of a German submarine crew, but later obtained passports and came to this country. Mrs. Beyers had been vehement in her denunciation of Germany for the treatment accorded her husband.

Pierre Claims Recruiting Record for the Dakotas

Pierre, S. D., Dec. 12.—(Special Telegram.)—At the close of enlistment date for registered men here today the record was 99 enlisted men accepted and sent forward since December 1. This is reported to be the highest recruiting record of any of the recruiting stations in North or South Dakota.

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