

CRAWLS THROUGH HOLE IN SHIP'S SIDE MADE BY TORPEDO

Remarkable Escape From Death and Capture by Huns Related by Commander of Submarine Victim.

New York, May 4.—Carried down with his ship after being torpedoed by a German submarine, escaping death by diving through the hole in the ship's side made by the torpedo and, after being picked up by one of his boats, rejected as a prisoner of war by the submarine commander on account of his wounds, is the experience of Captain Walter K. Miller of Brooklyn, commander of the American steamer Atlantic Sun, sunk March 7 off the Irish coast.

Captain Miller's story as he told it to The Associated Press follows: "I had just left the bridge and was eating my dinner when the alarm was given. I started up the short flight of stairs to the chart room and had made about half the distance when the torpedo hit us.

"There was a terrific roar and a shock which seemed to shake the ship to pieces. I was stunned and the next thing I knew I was foundering under the water, surrounded by wreckage. It instantly dawned upon me that I had been blown forward over the bridge and down into the hold through the deck ripped open by the explosion, and that I was being carried down with my ship.

"I opened my eyes, however, and looked around and to my right I saw a small patch of green water, not much bigger than a window toward which I swam and I succeeded in wriggling my way through the jagged hole made by the torpedo in the ship's side. Clear of the ship my real fight commenced, that of overcoming the suction and getting to the surface where I found and grabbed hold on a floating barrel to which I clung while getting my breath.

Rejected Because of Wounds. "The barrel, however, was being drawn into the vortex and I left loose, swimming away toward a capsized boat which held me safe until the danger of being drawn down was over. Shortly after I was discovered and picked up by the men in one of our boats which had been launched.

"The submarine which sunk us was but a short distance away and we were ordered by a German officer to come alongside and surrender one of the ships officers.

"My men tried to shield me by removing my coat, but somehow I must have been recognized and I was weak to get into the U-boat. I was told of my struggle and covered with blood from several bad wounds on my shoulders and arms and the German officer refused to take me, saying:

"We have no use for a dead man, or one who is going to die. I had to take back with me an officer who will be alive when I reach our base. If I do, we get a bonus."

"He then asked for one of the mates and was told they had all gone down. The German commander, however, would not take our word for it and searched the boats until in some manner he recognized the first officer and took him prisoner.

"Some hours after the torpedoing Captain Miller and his men were picked up by trawlers and landed at a British port where they received medical attention. Captain Miller recently came home and has already made application for another command which he will assume just as soon as his wounds heal sufficiently for him to go to sea.

Americans Great Fighters, French General Declares

Paris, May 4.—"In the trenches these young Americans got acclimated in a few hours, so our non-commissioned officers assured me," writes a war correspondent of Le Temps. "Good shots, keen, punctual and cool under shell-fire, they soon learned the tricks of the trade.

"When I asked one of our own great generals who has had several hundred of them under his command what had dictated the provisional form of mixing Americans with our politics, he replied:

"For us we have been hunting a wild beast. The Americans are guests who are going to hunt some time with us to learn the lay of the land where the wild beast operates and his habits and ours. Soon they will hunt all alone and well."

"Then he added: Tell the public that the American troops have come to France with the intention of really fighting and not merely to serve as tools for an anticipated arbitration of a peace. Each day their soldiers give a thousand proofs of their keen desire to leap at the enemy's throat. Wait a little and you will see these soldiers astonish the world."

English Aviator Reaches Altitude of 36,500 Feet

London, May 4.—The highest altitude reached by an English aviator in plane flights at Farnborough, where one machine reached 36,500 feet.

Two British airmen from an aerodrome in Scotland made a hurried visit to London this week with dispatches. They received orders after they had finished lunch in Glasgow, reached London for tea at four in the afternoon and were back in Glasgow for a late dinner that night. The distance between Glasgow and London is 401 miles and takes nine hours and a half by the fastest train now running. The two airmen did it in less than four hours each way.

Criticism Inspired.

"He doesn't like my cooking," sobbed the three-months bride, a tear on her long lashes. "I don't know if I do, but I don't like it."

"What makes you think so?" he mother asked. "Has he said he doesn't like your cooking?"

"No-o-o," stammered the bride. "Non-sense, child, it's just your imagination. I fear there was no basis."

"There is a basis," the bride insisted earnestly. "I had been cooking the lowliest things for him for about two weeks and then he told me he had decided to become a raw food faddist. He-hoo-hoo!"—Mother's Magazine.

JAPS QUESTION U. S. ARMS IN EAST

Nippon Statesman Declares America May Have Eye on Vast Resources of Russia.

Tokio, May 4.—Some misgivings as to the policy of the United States as affecting Siberia recently have found expression in the Japanese house of representatives. Conviction that Japan should pay close attention to the activity of the United States in Russian territory was expressed by Manitsu Tanaka.

This activity, he said, might be designed to obtain rights and interests of various kinds. Tanaka said he believed that if America attained its object a hard blow would be dealt to the interests of the Japanese empire.

He thought that American sympathy for Russia was largely due to its ambition to implant its influence there by utilizing the present opportunity for investing its large capital in an extensive area of Russian territory, to exploit Russia's vast natural resources and to help forward Russia's civilization. To speak frankly, he believed that another object of the United States in showing sympathy to Russia might be to check the advance of Japanese influence northwards.

The speaker also referred to a rumor that the United States was trying to purchase Kamahatka, which he said he believed America coveted for its economic value, and perhaps, because America had an idea of instituting a gigantic scheme of communication between the three continents of America, Asia and Europe.

There is no confirmation, however, of the rumor referred to by Representative Tanaka.

DRAFT REVEALS MANY MEN WANTED FOR LAW EVASION

As a detective the selective service law is 100 per cent Sherlock Holmes. More than 500 known fugitives from justice have been apprehended as a result of the workings of the draft legislation. Hundreds of others, government officials say, are expected to come to the attention of the Department of Justice as the operation of the law continues.

Included in the lists of offenses which are being revealed by questionnaires are dozens of Mann act violations, and a number of drug addicts, mife abandoners and minor offenders have been unearthed. Many of the Mann act violations, it was discovered after a close examination of the sworn answers on questionnaires, have occurred in other states, and government agents there have been advised at once of the information obtained.

The collector of internal revenue has been informed of a score of drug addicts who kept their craving for forbidden narcotics a secret until they claimed exemption from military service on the grounds of being permanently addicted to the drug habit. From these men information has been obtained which has enabled officers to trail drug peddlers who had previously escaped the eye of the government agents.

Nonsupport cases, many of which have been revealed, have been turned over to the government for further investigation. In many instances it was found that husbands in their own homes claimed exemption because they were the "sole support of dependent wives." These men have been arrested and their names, instead of being "inscribed" on a list of men accredited to a cantonment, have been placed on a police blotter, with charges of nonsupport written after them. In addition to their marital dereliction, for which they will be made to answer, these men will be tried in a federal court for making false affidavits to their questionnaires.

Chinese Doctors and The Chinese Pulse

Writing of a recent decree of the Chinese government, permitting autopsies on the human body, Millard's Review (Shanghai) says that it is only lately that Chinese doctors discovered that the bodies of Orientals had the same internal arrangement as those of occidentals. They had been taught in the manner of modern medicine building with the elevator shaft as the connecting medium. But it adds:

"It must be admitted, however, that the Chinese practitioners, through long experience and through the custom of handing down medical secrets from one generation to another, do have many excellent native remedies. One Chinese medical treatise indicates no less than 98 different types of pulse, and another form of treatment in the manner of puncturing the body with a needle. A accompanying chart of the human body contains 700 spots which are indicated as the places where it is safe to insert a needle without injuring a vital organ. Quinine as a medicine has long been known in China. Belief in the sanctity of life has up to the last half dozen years prevented the use and development of the human body in relation to future surgery."

French Huguenot Becomes Chaplain to King George

London, May 4.—Archdeacon Perowne of Plymouth has just been appointed chaplain to the king. He belongs to a distinguished French Huguenot family which derives its name from Perrone, the center of some of the severest fighting of the past month.

How the smallest of objects will check the speed of a dirigible balloon or of an aeroplane will be judged when it is remembered that the resistance of the air to a body moving through it is proportional to the square of the speed against the surface that it presents in the direction toward which it is moving. When the bomb drops or any other accessory, it causes a three or four times more than when it is not.

One builder added two kilometers an hour to the speed of his plane simply by riving the stream line form to the rubber shock receivers of his landing apparatus.

By the way, old chap, who was it who cried: "A horse, a horse! My kingdom for a horse!"

Dix—Why don't you know? That's what Abalom said when his horse ran under a tree and left him hanging by the hair to a limb. I thought everybody knew where that came from.—Boston Transcript.

Motherhood an Inspiration to a Career Ethel Barrymore, One of Many Famous Women to Disprove the Narrow Idea that Marriage is a Millstone Around the Neck of Fame



Ethel Barrymore (Mrs. Russell Colt) with her three children. Sam is the eldest, Ethel II next, and John Drew is the baby.

By MARGERY REK. THERE used to be a very considerable element of the human race that thought it necessary for a woman to lose the heart and the mind of a woman in order to win the mind of a man. Just why anybody should attach sex or gender to a dollar I confess I cannot see, but the old idea seemed to be that a woman couldn't make a living with a womanly mind; that she couldn't establish a career if she made the mistake of marrying and that the bringing up of a family was a bar to fame.

WOMEN WILL VOTE IN TEXAS PRIMARY

A son was born Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Byrd, at the home of the latter at Dallas, Tex.

Question 'What Will They Do?' Has Politicians Guessing; Answer Will Be Given on July 27.

Austin, Tex., May 4.—What the women will do is the question that is perplexing Texas politicians. The answer will be given July 27. The recent special session of the legislature passed a bill giving Texas women the right to vote in primaries and nominating conventions. This act will become a law June 25, and the women then need only to register to be eligible to vote in the primaries July 27. The law requires them to register 15 days before the primaries.

Women's clubs over the state already have begun an active campaign to educate the women in the art of marking their ballots properly and are urging them to turn out in full force and vote.

It has been unofficially contended that the law giving women the ballot is unconstitutional, because it applies only to the primaries and leaves them barred from participating in the general election. Whether a test of the law's constitutionality will be made, however, is problematical.

Such women, with force to command, and the longing to be commanded on the other side of the picture, lived in the days of the grandfather who never dreamed of woman suffrage. But they were few. Now they are many. The war and the progress of women politically will make them more and more common. What more shining example can be found than Ethel Colt? Probably a lot of you will not recognize her by that name. That is why I used it. She is known to everyone as Miss Ethel Barrymore, one of the greatest stage stars that the generation has produced. Well, Ethel Barrymore goes to the stage to work out her destiny. Ethel Colt comes home to care for the baby and play with the other two children, and one would not care to find a more domestic picture than she presents when she is in the world that pleases her most.

From Our Near Neighbors

Valley. A son was born Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Byrd, at the home of the latter at Dallas, Tex.

Springfield. Mrs. J. J. Howell gave a miscellaneous show on Thursday morning at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Ecker, three miles north of Elkhorn. The groom formerly lived with his parents on the Dodge street road, six miles east of Elkhorn. The young couple will live near Ogalala, Neb. where the groom has a farm home ready.

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Friday before leaving for Ordway, Colo., to make their future home on a farm. Mrs. H. Meyer entertained friends Monday evening in honor of her birthday.

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U. S. INFLUENCE GAINS STRENGTH WITH RUSSIANS

Petrograd Writer Declares America Is Destined to Become Great Factor in East After War Ends.

London, May 4.—"America leads the way as usual," writes the Daily Express' Petrograd correspondent of recent allied efforts to help in the reconstruction of Russia. He says:

"England appears to have shut up shop here and to be going out of business in Russia, but the United States is showing its usual energy and enterprise by opening a new branch establishment, which promises to play an important part in shaping Russian public opinion. For a time there was a dearth of American enterprise in Petrograd, but now we are again witnessing the old refreshing sight of numerous Americans hustling and bustling about the Nevsky Prospect just as if they were still in Broadway or Wall Street.

American Influence Felt. "America will be a great factor in Russia after the war, and nothing has given more moral encouragement to thinking Russians than President Wilson's message to the soviet, which seems to have been just awaiting such recognition from the great transatlantic democracy. "A further step toward cementing the understanding between Russia and America has been taken in the distribution of a pamphlet called 'Letters from an American Friend,' which is being distributed free to Petrograd workers. It is published by the committee on public information at Washington. The candid American friend shows a good understanding of the character of the Russian workman, and while there is no flattery or self-glorification, this friend explains in homely language the democratic ideals of peace and liberty of the American people.

Peace at Russia's Expense. "The friend revolts at the idea of a possible peace between the allies and Germany at the expense of Russia, and adds that it would be poor consolation for the allies if, while they were successful in driving the Germans out of Belgium, Alsace and Lorraine, it was only to find that Emperor William had firmly implanted himself in Russia and the Balkans.

"The writer declares that no matter what happens, America intends to stand by Russia in her hour of trial. The 'Letters' have undoubtedly opened the way to a better understanding between western and eastern democracy."

Joy Ride in Tank Is Succession of Thrills

Birmingham, England, May 4. Joy-riding in a British tank means hanging on for dear life in a deafening roar of machinery while the machine lurches up and down the grades, alternately tossing its passengers first one way and then the other. A trial trip is thus described:

"We accepted, with some trepidation, an invitation to make a journey in the machine. About half a dozen of us entered by the narrow door and were cramped up on the little platform which runs on each side of the machinery. We held on like grim death with our hands. For a few moments everything went well. Then there was an upward movement of the fore part of the tank and in a trice we found ourselves without a foothold and were suspended by our hands from the 'hold-fasts' which are fixed for the purpose to the roof of the car. We knew we were mounting the steep gradient and were not sorry when we reached the top.

"The vessel jerked violently as she started on her downward course. In the twinkling of an eye we were thrown into the same position as before—only more so—with our legs dangling and our hands gripping in the effort to hold on and prevent being thrown all of a heap. We eventually emerged none the worse for the trip, but with a vivid impression of what must be the life of the gallant crews to whom our experience was a trifle as compared with theirs in the midst of shot and shell and with their own guns blazing away.

The roar of the machinery in the confined space was terrific. The men with the strongest lungs shouting in the ear of a man of the acutest hearing could not make a syllable heard."

POSTPONE IRISH WAR DRAFT; HOME RULE BILL AHEAD

London, May 4.—An order in council has been issued further postponing the operation of the national service act, or conscription, as respects Ireland beyond May 1, to which it had been postponed previously.

Some of the morning newspapers say the postponement is due to the government's wish to introduce a home rule bill and to see what measure of success it gets before proceeding to enforce conscription in Ireland, which, it is said in some quarters, is not likely to be attempted in the next few weeks.

Opinion in the lobbies of Parliament is that a home rule bill will be presented in the House of Commons next week, but the difficulties of drafting it have not been overcome entirely.

A True Optimist. "Perceval—Mr. Hammond is the most optimistic person I ever saw." "Perceval—Cheerful, eh?" "Perceval—Yes; even now, when he is slowly recovering from a fever he sees a humorous side to everything." "Perceval—Which surely is fortunate." "Perceval—I asked him what he was eating, and he told me the physician permitted him to have the water from two bottled eggs." "Perceval—The ideal?" "Perceval—And he hoped soon to be able to add the holes out of a few doughnuts."—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

Save the Beer. "The boy got up to rectify. 'He stood beside the tier,' he began, but his mother told him. 'He stood beside the tier,' he started in again, with no better result. 'Perceval—The ideal?' "Perceval—And he hoped soon to be able to add the holes out of a few doughnuts."—St. Louis Globe Democrat.