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Maritime — Moderate to north west winds, partly fair, with a few local showers or snow flurries today and Friday.

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GERMANS AGGRESSIVE IN NORTH FLANDERS

A BRITISH GUNBOAT SUNK BY SUBMARINE

The Niger Torpedoed and Sunk in the Downs off Deal---People on Shore Heard a Terrific Explosion and Soon Afterwards She Went to the Bottom---Only One Man Missing in a crew of Ninety-Six ---Story of a Survivor.

Deal, England, Nov. 11---By the destruction of the British torpedo gunboat Niger, which was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine in the Downs this afternoon, the realities of war were brought home to the inhabitants of Deal and Walmer.

A loud explosion was heard from the gunboat as she lay off the deal pier and great volumes of smoke enveloped the vessel.

When the smoke cleared, the Niger was observed to be settling down forward. Men, women and children rushed to the sea front, exclaiming that the vessel had been torpedoed or mined. They soon realized that the Niger was doomed. The Deal and Kingstown life boats as well as boats from other parts of the beach were launched in an effort to save the sailors.

Consternation and almost panic prevailed among the hundreds who stood watching the ghastly sight from the beach. Fortunately the North Deal galley Hope, commanded by Captain John Budd, lay at anchor near the spot waiting to land the pilot from a London steamer which was going down the channel. When the boatman realized that the Niger had been hit by a submarine or mine, to use their own expression, they rowed like the very devil.

"We saw the sailors," said Capt. Budd, "jumping from the vessel's side in dozens, as we heard the fast disappearing vessel we came upon swarms of men struggling in the sea and heroically helping to support each other. Some were fully dressed, others only partly so. They were clinging to pieces of wreckage and deck furniture and some were in life-boats.

"It was a heart-rendering spectacle. The men were so thick in the water that they grasped at our oars as we dipped them in the sea. We rescued so many and our boat got so choked that we could not move. With our gunwale just out of the water, we were in danger of sinking ourselves.

CAPTAIN LAST MAN TO LEAVE SHIP

"We called to the men that we could take no more in or we should sink our selves, but they continued to pour over the sides and some slung to the stern of our boat. We had about fifty on board. Never had there been so many in that boat before. One burly sailor, whom we told to wait until the next boat came along, laughingly remarked while he was in the water. 'Alright, cocky, I will hold on by my eyebrows,' and he drifted to another galley.

"Another Deal boat then came along and relieved us of some of our men. Suddenly we heard a shout, and looking around, saw the commander of the Niger waving and beckoning us from the stern of the sinking ship. We could not go to him because our craft was so heavily laden. Another galley then came along, and after taking out some of our men, together with those who were hanging on to our sides, we went close to the sinking gunboat and took off some men, and at the captain's special request, we waited until he took a final look around to see if there were any men left on board the vessel.

"By this time the ship was nearly under water, and we shouted to him to hurry up as the Niger had turned over on her side and was likely to go down at any moment. That brave captain only just managed to jump

in time when the gunboat gave a lurch and sank on her side in eight fathoms of water. We were proud to rescue that captain, for he was a true sailor."

The other boats which picked up men were the Maple Leaf, the motor boat Maru, the Annie, the May, and Deal life boats.

The rescuing party saw one dead sailor floating by.

STORY OF ONE SURVIVOR

The majority of those rescued rescued received first aid on being landed at North Deal, and then were taken in ambulances to the marine hospital at Walmer.

One survivor replying to a question as to whether the Niger was torpedoed or mined, replied:

"Torpedoes, sir."

With the exception of the watch and the gun crews all were below at the time. The last order received was to close the water-tight doors.

So far as I can ascertain at present only one man is missing. Four or five have been landed at Ramsgate. The crew is said to have numbered ninety six officers and men.

PREMIER FLEMMING MADE SHORT VISIT

Was Here Last Night in Conclave Treasurer Teed and Harvey Woods M. P. P.

Premier Fleming, accompanied by E. R. Teed, treasurer of the timber land boodle fund, and J. N. W. Winslow, who figured in some boodling transactions in connection with the Valley Railway, arrived in the city last evening by the Woodstock train and registered at the Barker. Mr. Harry Woods, or Smith, the Tory organizer, was on hand to meet them and a secret conclave was held, which lasted until after midnight. Honest government was discussed and it was unanimously decided that New Brunswick belonged to the saints and that Fleming et al were the saints. Mr. Teed went to St. John this morning and Messrs. Fleming and Winslow hit the pike for Woodstock. Mr. Woods at nine o'clock boarded an auto and headed for Queens county at such a fast clip that the auto, although actually a green car, looked like a red one with whiskers.

CASE BEING CONTINUED

The case of Wallace Porter, of Cross Creek, vs. Frank Raimie, an Assyrian pedlar, is being continued before Magistrate Limerick in the police court this afternoon.

SLIGHT FIRE.

The firemen were called out at noon today to extinguish a slight fire at a house on King street owned by ex-Ald. H. C. Jewett and occupied by Mr. Howard Grant. The damage was slight.

Mrs. Frank Harris of Sackville, has returned home after a visit with relatives here.

Bridges Over the Leopold Canal Are Being Blown up ---Large bodies of Troops being Sent South And East---Children Killed by Shells Dropped at Ypres

The U. S. Cruiser North Carolina Reported Blown up by the Turks is Now Said to be Safe in Beirut Harbor---Berlin Denies Russian Report That General Von Hindenberg Has Been Taken Prisoner---Austrian Artillery Being Moved to Cracow---Australians Have Evacuated Central Galicia---The Crown Prince, Very Unpopular---Loss of the Cruiser Emden Has Created Deep Gloom in Berlin.

U. S. WARSHIP IS SAFE

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

Washington, Nov. 12---A Report was read here early today from the Armored cruiser, Tennessee in the Mediterranean that she had been in wireless communication with the cruiser North Carolina yesterday and that the ship was safe in Beirut harbor.

AUSTRIANS WITHDRAWN FROM BELGIUM

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

London, Nov. 12---According to the Daily Chronicle's special correspondent at Amsterdam nearly a thousand Austrian artillery men with eight 12 inch guns passed through Liege yesterday on their way to Cracaw, having been withdrawn from Belgium to strengthen the endeavor to stem the Russian avalanche.

GERMANS DESTROYING BRIDGES

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

Amsterdam, Nov. 12---THE Germans are destroying bridges over the Leopold canal in the north of Flanders, says a despatch to the Telegraph from its correspondent.

At Sluis the large railway Bridge at Heyst was blown up.

PREPARING WINTER QUARTERS

(SPECIAL CABLE THE MAIL.)

London, Nov. 12---Percival Philips, special correspondent of the Daily Express-telegraphing from "On the Belgian Frontier" says much speculation is aroused by the steady activity of the Germans in the area between Antwerp and Mechlin and by precautions taken to prevent access to Antwerp or communication with that city. There is nothing in the information I have been able to gather along the frontier to justify a belief that a hurried German retirement is impending, at any rate so far as northern Belgium is concerned. On the contrary there are a number of indications that the Germans are preparing to take up winter quarters in Antwerp, Brussels and Louvaine.

THE CROWN PRINCE A BUNGLER

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

London, Nov. 12---Telegraphing from the Hague the special correspondent of the "Daily Express" says: The German crown prince is now on the threshold of dangerous unpopularity. Every military support in Germany attributes to him that repeated defeats of German arms, probably without any good reason. After his failures in the east and west he is now occupying himself chiefly in the distribution of blankets and cigars to his troops or receiving Royal guests at his headquarters while General Von Hindenberg does the rough work of command. Hopes are expressed that the latter may soon induce the Prince to take a rest in Berlin and keep away from the front, where he continually endangers the positions of the German armies by his importune meddling.

RUSSIAN REPORT DENIED.

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

Amsterdam, Nov. 12---An official denial of the report that General Von Hindenberg has been taken prisoner by the Russians, which was given out in Petrograd, has been issued in Berlin, according to a despatch from the German capital.

GLOOM IN BERLIN.

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

Copenhagen, Nov. 12---The destruction of the Emden by the Australian cruiser Sydney at Cocos Islands, in the Indian Ocean, has produced a feeling of deep depression among the people of Berlin, says a private message from the German capital. The depression is especially deep in contrast with the elation noticeable among the populace in the proud dash following the victorious naval engagement between German and British fleets off the coast of Chile on November 1st. Capt. Karl Von Muller of the Emden, is regarded by the people as the greatest hero of the war.

ACQUITTED OF CHARGES.

London, Nov. 12---Rear Admiral Troubridge of the British Mediterranean fleet, has been completely acquitted of the charges brought against him for permitting the German cruisers Goeben and Breslau to escape. By the court martial held recently his acquittal of the charges was not unexpected. He has been commander of the British Mediterranean fleet since 1912. Previous to that he was chief of the war staff of the Admiralty and had seen service as naval attaché at Vienna, Madrid and Tokyo and as captain and chief of staff of Mediterranean prior to that.