

The Weather
Entire state—
Cloudy tonight,
fair Saturday;
light west wind.

LUSITANIA SUNK BY TORPEDO

1300 ABOARD; ALL RESCUED

NOTED FOLK ON CABIN LIST

Passengers Aboard the Great Liner Include Noted Persons
Several Oakland Names Appear on Roll of Ship

LONDON, May 7, 5:55 p. m. A dispatch from Liverpool to the Exchange Telegraph Company says it is not known how many of the Lusitania's passengers were saved.

Three of the passengers on the Lusitania were J. P. Gray, a resident of Forty-first street; his daughter-in-law, Mrs. William Gray, and her five-year-old son, Stewart. The three left Oakland just a week ago today, and were bound for Edinburgh, Scotland, where Mrs. J. P. Gray is with her mother, Mrs. Myra Beach.

Gray's son, William Gray, is in New York City. Business engagements prevented him from accompanying his father, wife and boy on the European trip. Mrs. Gray and her mother have been in Edinburgh for the past several months, visiting another daughter of Gray's, who is the wife of a prominent Englishman, a major in the British army, and now at the front in Flanders.

Mrs. Gray and her aged mother were to have returned in a short time with Gray, their daughter-in-law and their grandchild. Hiram Beach, the father of Mrs. J. P. Gray, is at the Gray residence, in Forty-first street. He is 85 years of age and ill. The news of the torpedoing and sinking of the big liner has not been told to him. He received a letter from his daughter, Mrs. J. P. Gray, yesterday, announcing that Mrs. Beach and herself could not return home as they had expected, because of the serious illness of Mrs. Beach.

SAN FRANCISCANS ABOARD

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—A wire to New York was answered by giving permission to the local Cunard office

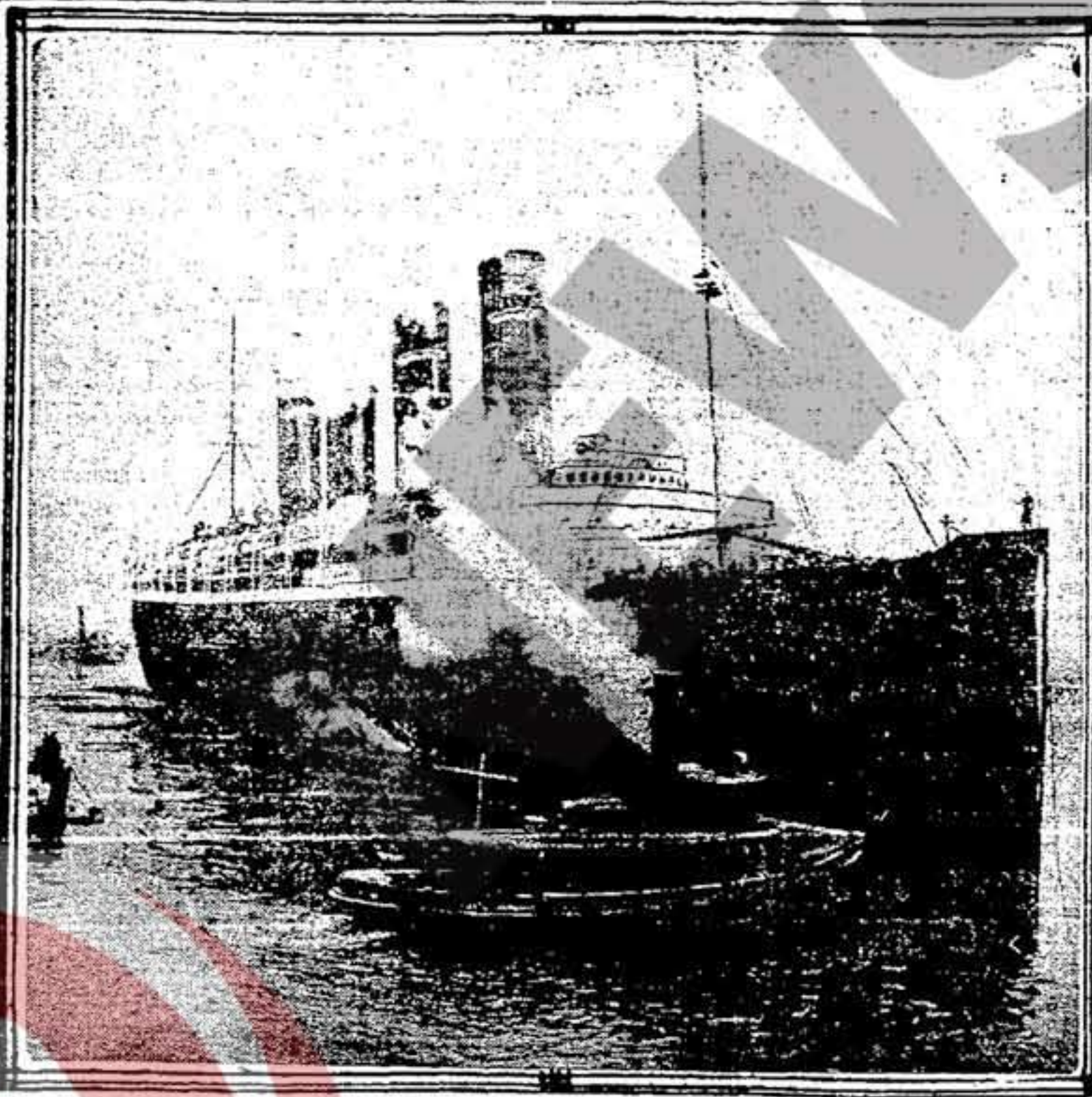
CRISIS IS PASSED IN FAR EAST TURMOIL

WASHINGTON, May 7.—Information from high official sources late today is that the Far Eastern crisis has been averted and that a favorable settlement between Japan and China is in prospect.

LONDON, May 7.—Reuter's Agency has received a dispatch from Peking saying that a Japanese ultimatum to China was presented to the Chinese government this afternoon.

TOKIO, May 7.—More than forty warships, including the

THE CUNARD LINER LUSITANIA WHICH WAS TORPEDOED AND SUNK OFF THE IRISH COAST.



CITIZENS PROTEST AGAINST DAVIE ISM
Monster Rally Tonight at Ye Liberty for Bilger Adherents

The apathy with which the electorate viewed the municipal primary three weeks ago has disappeared, and everywhere a vital interest is being taken in the campaign being made for the general election Tuesday. The city has been stirred as never before in a local election, and in every precinct there is promise of a big vote being cast.

A great citizens' army of men and women have organized as precinct workers in behalf of the candidacy of Frank W. Bilger for mayor. A house-to-house canvass is being made, and reports have come to the headquarters of the citizens' committee that there is a growing sentiment throughout the municipality in favor of Bilger.

While interest is being taken in the fights being made by the candidates for council and the school board, the

battleships Hizen and the battle cruiser Kongo, are preparing at Sasebo for possible operations against China. A second squadron under Admiral Nawa has arrived and is hastily embarking supplies.

Rear Admiral Kaminura's fleet, including the battleships Sagami and Suwo, has been ordered to the gulf of Pechili, to be in readiness to take aboard Minister Hioka in case of necessity. The police are protecting Professor Ariga, Japanese adviser to President Yuan Shi Kai, who speakers have denounced as a Chinese spy and

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GRAVE CRISIS BEFORE U.S. BULLETIN.

WASHINGTON, May 7.—Ambassador Page at London cabled: "Lusitania torpedoed and sunk within thirty minutes. No news of passengers yet."

WASHINGTON, May 7.—President Wilson was informed of the sinking of the Lusitania and White House officials showed keen anxiety to learn whether any American lives were lost. No comment was made.

News of the torpedoing of the Lusitania struck official Washington like a bomb. While disposed to await full details before expressing opinions, all administration officials realized that the incident was probably the most serious Washington has faced since the beginning of the war.

The presence of German submarines off the southern coast of Ireland and along the line of travel the Lusitania would follow in going to Liverpool was made known in a dispatch from Glasgow last night, which recited that the British steamer Oherbury had been torpedoed in the Atlantic ocean off the Irish coast. This was on April 29.

Two other vessels were sent to the bottom more recently, the Centurion and the Candidia. Just where these ships were attacked has not been made known, but their destinations

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SUBMARINE DESTROYS MAMMOTH LINER NEAR QUEENSTOWN, IRELAND

By Associated Press.

LONDON, May 7.—The crew and passengers of the Lusitania, sunk by torpedo today, were all saved.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The Cunard liner Lusitania, one of the fastest ships afloat, was torpedoed and sunk this afternoon off the coast of Ireland, ten miles south of Kinsale.

She had aboard 1253 passengers. She sailed from this port last Saturday, May 1, and carried in addition to her own large passenger list 163 passengers transferred to her from the Anchor liner Cameronia.

The news of her sinking was announced by the local office of the Cunard line, and was based on cable advices received from the home office of the company from Liverpool. Three dispatches, received in the order named were made public by the line and read as follows:

"We received from the Land's End wireless station news of repeated distress calls made by the Lusitania asking for assistance immediately. Big list. Position ten miles south of Kinsale. Subsequently received telegram from Queenstown that all available craft in the harbor had been despatched to assist.

Scores of Rescue Boats

The second message to the local office read: "QUEENSTOWN, 4:59 p. m.—About twenty boats of all sorts belonging to our line are in the vicinity where the Lusitania sank. About fifteen other boats are making for the spot to render assistance.

The third cablegram was dated Liverpool and read: "Following received by admiralty: "GALLEY HEAD, 4:25 p. m.—Several boats, apparently survivors, southeast nine miles. Greek steamer proceeding to assist."

Dispatches received here from London, Liverpool and at Queenstown confirmed the news. One of the messages said it was believed that all the big liner's passengers had been saved.

According to a London dispatch put out by the Dow-Jones Ticker at a late hour this afternoon the Cunard Steamship Co. in London issued an official statement there tonight declaring that the Lusitania had been "torpedoed without warning and sank almost immediately."

The text of the statement follows: "The whole concern of the Cunard company is for the safety of the passengers and crew. The material loss does not count, as it is covered by insurance.

Steamers Rush to Scene

"The Lusitania was torpedoed without any warning and sank almost immediately. It is known that a large number of the large boats of the ship are afloat. Every effort is being made to obtain the fullest information, which will be published immediately upon receipt."

When the Lusitania sailed some nervousness had been caused because of the publication in the morning papers of Saturday of an advertisement warning intending travelers that a state of war existed between Germany and Great Britain and her allies, that the war zone includes the waters adjacent to the British Isles; that in addition with the notice given by the German government, vessels flying the flag of the English government are liable to destruction in these waters, and that travelers sailing in the war zone on ships of Great Britain or her allies, do so at their own risk. The advertisement was signed "Imperial German Embassy."

This warning apparently did not cause many cancellations -- for the ship sailed with a very full passenger list. Just before the steam-

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