

Submarines May Have Been Crushed By Earthquake

NEW YORK, November 27.— The terrific earthquake on Tuesday may have destroyed any submarines that happened to be in the Atlantic between Lisbon and the Azores. Father Joseph Lynch, chief of the seismological observatory at Fordam University, said today.

"The disturbance was one of the mightiest ever recorded, and if the wave it created were a complete compression wave in the Atlantic it might have crushed all the submarines submerged in a wide area around the earthquake centre," he said. "We know it was partially a compression wave, and possibly a complete one. In the latter case it would act like a depth charge of terrific intensity, pushing in the sides of submarines as though they were eggs."

Epicentre of the great earthquake is believed to have been about 500 miles off the Portuguese coast.