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## Will Germany Attempt To Invade England?

Matter Seriously Discussed in British Papers London Expects to Hear at Any Moment That "The Germans Are Out"—British Are Ready—Navy Never Stronger.

LONDON, March 30.—It is thought to be ready in Germany for the attempted great air and sea raid on England. In the North Sea there has been great activity, and the feeling in London is that final touches have been put to the German fleets of Zeppelins, cruisers, destroyers and submarines. At any moment news is expected that "the Germans are out" and that the long-expected attempt to bring about "Der Tag" has been launched.

By way of preparations the German fleet has made a couple of short dashes—practice runs—outside of Heligoland. Now and then, destroyers have slipped from Antwerp. Only a few days ago several of them engaged in a running fight with British destroyers. Their presence outside of the harbor has been felt by British shipping.

In official circles it is believed that the Tubantia and at least one other steamer were torpedoed by the destroyers. The principal object of the dashes of the destroyers, however, was to scatter mines. Since the first of March countless mines have been scattered by the Germans in the North Sea. In the last week Zeppelins have been observed over the North Sea, evidently bent upon scouting expeditions. No attempt has been made by them to reach England. Their purpose, it is believed here, was to ascertain movements of the British fleet. German seaplanes have reached the coast of England in scouting flights. Bomb-dropping has played no part in their activities. Apparently their flight was solely for purposes of reconnaissance. British officials admit that the signs of German unrest in all likelihood means the combined dash of the German air and sea fleets. "She has had eighteen months in which to try it out with us," declared an official to-day. "Perhaps in that time Germany has advanced, but we have too. Every thing is fine and rosy so far as we are concerned."

"The navy likes work," was the brief comment of another official. In those words he summed up the attitude of the entire British navy. None are more eager than they for the expected raid. A scrap is always to their liking.

**The New Mine Fields**  
Speculation is general as to the purpose of Germany in laying such a great number of mines. One view is that they are intended to rid the North Sea of neutral shippings in advance of the dash, and in that way prevent word of the fleet's movements being carried to the Allies by merchantmen.

There are plenty of signs that the German people are becoming more and more restless as the privations of war are making themselves felt. The Battle of Verdun has been a great disappointment to them. On the heels of the realization that the Crown Prince's legions had not effected the victory which the War Office assured the people he was certain to gain has come the news that the Russians are again pressing the Germans in the East. To add to their unrest is the fact that the last German war loan was raised with the greatest difficulty. This last has been a long and weary winter for the German people and the indications are that peace would not be unwelcome to a vast majority.

What has our fleet been doing? the Germans have been asking of late. "We know what our soldiers have done, and we know what they will be expected to do when the armies of our enemies start synchronizing their attack in the spring. But how about our navy?"

"Great Britain has been standing in our way and blocking our every move for a settlement. Let us specialize a bit with our fleet and shut off her supplies and hamper movements of her troops. Is it not almost time for 'Der Tag'?"

There are many persons in England who are confident in view of recent German activities at Kiel and other bases of the air and sea fleets, that the much talked of German day will soon arrive. They are not awaiting it with fear and trepidation, however, but with fearless expectation.

They are anxious for the opportunity to uphold the proud record of England on the sea. "They have waited long and they hope they have not waited vainly. Whether the Germans come now or later, they will be ready. The sinking of the Galloper Lightship may be a sign that Britain has some surprises in store."

It is reported unofficially that the Galloper Lightship, at the mouth of

the Thames, has not been torpedoed, as was reported recently by Lloyd's, but has been withdrawn from its station.

LATER  
LONDON, March 31.—Reference is made in the London press to-day to a matter which has been one of the most discussed topics in London clubland for several weeks past, viz., an expected attempt by Germany to land an expedition to occupy London.

The preliminary correspondent of the Daily News says the reason why such heavy demands are now being made for men was to be found in the War Office policy to keep a very large army in this country in addition to meeting the drain on the British forces engaged in France and elsewhere.

The Star last night publishes an article by "a well-informed political correspondent," who says in part:

"There is a growing feeling at Westminster that an attempted German invasion of our eastern coast during the next week or so is quite on the cards. There are many signs in East Anglia that the military authorities share this view, but these must not be discussed here, and it is sufficient to consider the actions of the enemy."

"The torpedoing of the Dutch liners Tubantia and Palembang in the North Sea, followed by similar outrages against Swedish and Danish ships, forms a new and highly significant chapter of sea affairs. The German controversialists always pretend that their submarine warfare was established in order to cut off supplies of food and munition from the British in retaliation for the British blockade. Herr Ballin is said to have informed directors of Dutch shipping companies that Germany was determined to use every means in her power to prevent steamers, neutrals, or not, from reaching England from America.

"It is quite impossible that Germany could take this step with all its dangerous chances of arousing neutral nations against her in order to deprive us of the quantities of margarine and foodstuffs which now reach us from Holland. That is a mere pretext. This is finally proved by the fact that the Tubantia was bound for Brazil and the Palembang for Java, so that, the Germans, by torpedoing them were inflicting no damage on this country. Their real object un-

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questionably is to sweep the North Sea clear of all merchantmen. Already the Dutch government has been considering the idea, evidently put forward by Germany, that Dutch steamers bound to the west may go round the north of Scotland.

"The inevitable conclusion is that Germany wants to clear neutrals out in order that they may not observe and give warning to us of the gatherings of warships, submarines, transports and Zeppelins along the German coast, from Heligoland to Bornholm. Here, if anywhere, the prant of invasion will be collected, and the longer this operation can proceed without observation, the greater the hopes of surprise that animate its organizers.

"The great day which Germany dreads is that on which there is to be a simultaneous advance on all fronts by the Allies. In order to disorganize that attack, which she knows is coming, she delivered those furious thrusts at Verdun which cost her 200,000 men and failed to achieve their object. It is only too probable that in order to try once more to overthrow the Allies' combination on the western front, Germany may launch an invading force at our shores in hopes that it will prevent us from sending more troops to France.

"Much might be written of the precautions which Lord French and the Admiralty authorities have taken, but this would be improper. It may be sufficient to note that the mysterious removal of the Galloper Lightship from its position twenty-five miles from the coast is evidence that our naval authorities are getting up a few little surprises of their own. The German navy will have to bring not only their own troopships, but their own lightships if they invade England."

"Your correspondent, from his own knowledge, might considerably amplify the description of the precautionary measures taken, but all that need be said is that they are on a scale sufficient to show that the British authorities are not regardless of the possibility of Germany attempting a surprising coup de main. Even the improbability of Germany being able to keep the British fleet out of the way by barricades of mines is not left out of consideration. Britain's chief bulwark, of course, is her fleet, but in case the fleet could be outmanoeuvred or drawn off or held at bay, an invading army would find that the land defences had not been neglected."

## Opening of P. E. I. Legislature

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Mar. 29.—The first session of Provincial Legislature since the general election in September last was opened to-day by Lieut.-Governor MacDonald, who was appointed since last session.

The Speech from the Throne fore-shadowed legislation giving effect to war measures, drainage of farm lands, and also legislation to further develop the fisheries. Suitable provision will be made for soldiers returning from the war. Reference was also made in the speech to the steady progress in educational matters, but the work is handicapped by the absence on military duty of the chief superintendent, three inspectors and fifty teachers. Advance in agriculture, increased price of live stock, rapid progress in farmers co-operative movements, and improved transportation facilities were also dealt with. Half of the new officials of the House to be appointed were returned soldiers.

The first division was taken to-day when in a full house on an amendment moved by Mr. Bell, leader of the opposition, showed 15 Conservatives, John S. Martin, in the chair.

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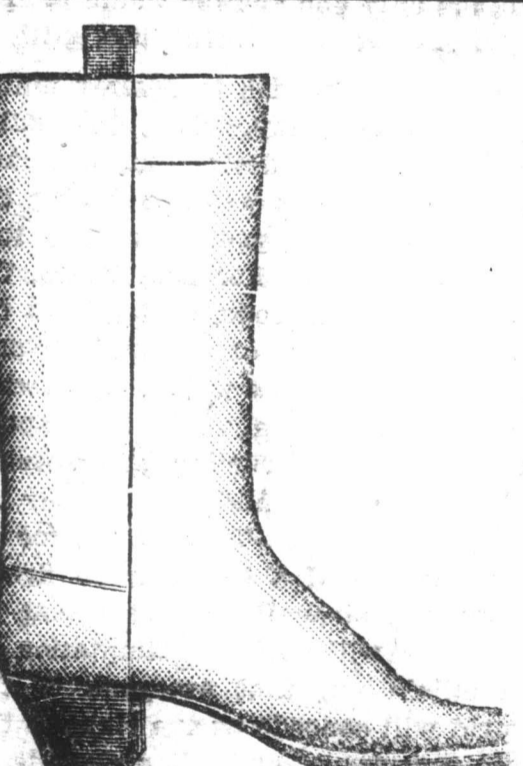
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