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WILSON DECIDES TO ASK CONGRESS FOR SHIPS' PROTECTION PATRIOTIC FUND COMMITTEE EXPECTS 350,000 DOLLARS

U.S. PRESIDENT TO ADDRESS CONGRESS ON U-BOAT CRISIS

Will Ask for Broad Powers to Protect American Rights During Adjournment of House and Senate.

(By Robert J. Bender.)

Washington, Feb. 21.—President Wilson has practically determined to address the present session of Congress on the German-American situation, probably late next week.

The president's appearance before a joint session will be to ask for broad powers to protect American rights after Congress adjourns.

Owing to the delicate situation which might arise through a misunderstanding of an appearance before Congress, the president will see to it that the exact facts and purposes surrounding his appearance at the capitol are communicated to all belligerents.

THE DALBEATIE CASE.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Sinking by gunfire from a German submarine of the Norwegian steamer Dalbeattie with two Americans aboard, was added today to the state department's list of Germany's illegal acts which are daily accumulating and testing the patience of the government.

Wilson Still Mum. After the cabinet meeting late yesterday there was no indication that President Wilson had made known what his next step will be or when it will be taken.

Real interest was displayed in the British embassy's announcement that between February 1 and 14 less than 1 per cent of the vessels entering or leaving British ports had been sunk.

Darkness and Rain Prevent Heavy Work Along Western Front

Berlin, Feb. 21.—Via Sayville.—Bad weather on the Franco-Belgian front has kept the activities of the various arms within moderate limits.

Western Front: Dark weather and rain have been kept within moderate limits. Southeast of Ypres and on both sides of the Lys, Canadian reconnoitering advances by the British were reported.

Eastern Front: In some of the sectors, especially in the wooded Carpathians and in the Carpathian valley there have been artillery firing and advance post engagements.

Macedonian Front: Lively artillery fire between the Vardar and Lake Doiran was followed in the evening by advances of British detachments, which were repulsed.

Plymouth Port Has Been Closed to All Ships Not of Allies

London, Feb. 21.—It is officially announced that the port of Plymouth has been closed until further notice to all ships except those of the Allies.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night.

Table with 2 columns: Station, Temperature. Includes Victoria, Winnipeg, Port Arthur, etc.

TOMORROW—FAIR. Toronto, Feb. 21.—8 a.m. Forecasts.

Today—Moderate to fresh easterly to southerly breeze fair today; a little higher temperature tonight and some light local snow.

Thursday—Same light local snow, but mostly fair.

The disturbance is now centered off Cape Breton, and fair weather prevails in nearly all parts of the Dominion.

Those War Pictures!

London flocks to see Feeda Beara in The Wampire and Charlie the Chap in "Popped." Even the more frivolous attractions draw great crowds at times.

The Advertiser has no quarrel with people who seek innocent amusement, but it does believe that everyone should attend the Canadian official war pictures shown at the Lyric Theatre this week under the auspices of this newspaper.

The Advertiser purposefully, and with some difficulty, secured a nominal rate of admission for this wonderful picture, in which war—the Canadian end of the war—is seen from an orchestra seat.

But it does believe that it is a big thing in the way of serving its public for a newspaper to do—to secure for the public a view of war in all its startling vividness from an orchestra seat!

"Fed up on war stuff," said one bright youth, when asked why he didn't attend. He was on his way to see his favorite Fluffy-Ruffles in "The Clinging Kiss" and he didn't care to be disturbed by the serious business that Canadian boys are engaged in in Europe.

The Canadian war pictures are not a staged drama—they are an epic. No serious-minded person can fail to regard them as the greatest "drama" ever presented. Every inch of film is genuine.

These pictures are a tonic for any real Canadian. They brace you with the thought of the immense task assayed and carried out by the noble men of this nation.

You will miss something great, something tremendous in the power of its appeal if you fail to attend the performances.

SUBMARINE MENACE WILL BE MITIGATED, SAYS SIR EDWARD

Not Yet Solved, However, According To Carson.

London, Feb. 21. In a speech in the House of Commons today, Sir Edward Carson, first lord of the admiralty, said the submarine menace recently had grown grave and serious.

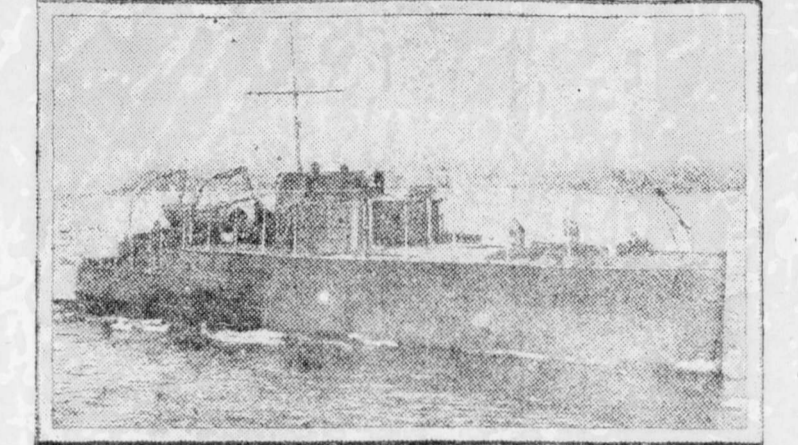
Score Injured When Elevator Drops From Broadway Roof Garden

New York, Feb. 21.—More than a score of persons were injured last night, several of them severely, when an elevator fell six stories from the roof garden to the ground floor of a Broadway Theatre.

Berlin Claims Gain Is of Great Importance

Berlin, Feb. 21.—Via Sayville.—The ground captured by the Germans in the Champagne in the vicinity of Hill 188, south of Ripon, last week, was a well-fortified position which dominated a large amount of surrounding territory.

ONE OF BRITAIN'S "DEFENCES" AGAINST GERMAN SUBMARINES



A "Submarine Chaser" designed and built at Bayonne, N. J., for the British Government, on engine test the Jersey shore. The boat is complete, save for armament, which is installed in England.

"CANNED" MUSIC TAKEN FROM THE BERNSTORFF PARTY

Huge Collection of Gramophone Records By Passengers of Frederik Arouses Suspicious of Inspectors.

Haitian, N. S., Feb. 21.—The German party on board the Scandinavian-American liner Frederik VIII, held here by the British authorities for examination, seems to have a singular love for gramophone music.

AMERICAN VESSELS AT LAST STARTED FOR THE SUB ZONE

Mongolia and Algonquin Leave For Europe.

New York, Feb. 21.—The first American Line steamship to leave this port since the German submarine warning was issued, the Mongolia, today is past Sandy Hook and on her way to Europe.

ASKS FRENCH PEASANTS TO SOW GREATER CROPS

France Calls on Country People To Do Their "Bit."

Paris, Feb. 21.—An appeal for French peasants of both sexes for help in solving the food problem recently had by the ministry of agriculture, and will be placed in every country district.

17,000 OF KRUPP'S MEN HAVE GONE ON STRIKE

Amsterdam, Feb. 21.—Via London.—The frontier correspondent of the Telegraph says that a strike in the Krupp Works at Essen, involving 17,000 workmen, has been in progress for a fortnight.

CHILDREN OF BERLIN WILL GO TO COUNTRY

Amsterdam, via London, Feb. 21.—The Berlin Yowwerts says that a mass deportation of Berlin children to the country is planned. It is intended to give all children of the three upper classes of the public schools several months in the country.

GERMANS REPORT BIG TOLL TAKEN BY SUBMARINES

Claim To Have Sunk Crowded Italian Transport.

PARIS REPORTS LOSSES

Five Sent To Bottom Between February 16 and February 20.

Berlin, Feb. 21.—Via Sayville.—"A large number of hostile vessels, among them an Italian transport crowded with men, have been sunk in the barred zone in the Mediterranean during the past few days," the semi-official Overseas News Agency announced.

PARIS REPORTS SINKINGS.

St. John's, Nfld., Feb. 21.—The schooner Rose Dorothea reported to the owners here today that the vessel had been sunk by a German submarine and the crew landed at Boston.

TODAY'S LIST.

THE BRIGADE SUNK.

PREVIOUS SINKINGS.

TUESDAY'S LIST.

No Intimation of Imperial Conference Being Postponed

Possibly Delay To Permit the Arrival of Australian Delegates.

LOXDON WOMEN SAFELY PASS THROUGH DANGER ZONE TO ENGLISH HARBOR

Thousands of Women in a Great Demonstration of Protest.

New York, Feb. 21.—After Joseph Mitchell had been informed by east side housewives today that their children were "starving to death by hundreds" because of the high cost of living, they today presented before the board of estimates on Friday, their plea that \$1,000,000 be appropriated to the city to buy food for distribution at reasonable prices.

New York, Feb. 21.—The women of the New York tenements have taken the food situation in their own hands and planned a series of public demonstrations to convince the mayor and city officials that something must be done to relieve the suffering.

MERCURY OVERFLOWS LIMITS, PASSING \$300,000 MARK; NEXT GOAL IS ADDITIONAL \$50,000

Spirit of Self-Sacrifice, Apparent in Many Homes, Touches Workers—"Keep Trying" is Motto of Canvassers, But Some Have Suffered Unkind and Disloyal Rebuffs.

Welling up tirelessly from the red-blooded courage of London's city has risen to the top of the huge thermometer at Richmond and Dundas, and pushed onward by the passing throngs like Fort's merry "It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven upon the earth beneath."

Busy at Headquarters.

The headquarters in the Bank of Commerce building is the scene of bustling business, members of teams hurrying in and out and securing news subscription cards.

The teams are out working like the teams of the past, but the spirit of self-sacrifice is apparent in many homes, touches workers—"Keep Trying" is motto of canvassers, but some have suffered unkind and disloyal rebuffs.

How often should we call on one man? asked a canvasser, who has called on one man about forty times and cannot catch him.

Again.

"If we can't find a man in 40 trials, what do we do to try the 41st time, and you'll get his subscription, won't you take any excuses up to 50 trials," added Mr. Silverwood. This is indeed the "never-say-die" spirit of the workers.

"The telephone rang," Mr. Silverwood's office wants him," said the clerk.

"I'll be down in the morning," he continued on Page Two.

GERMANY PUZZLED BY CONFERENCES AT AUSTRIAN CAPITAL

Astonished at American Inquiry Over Subs.

Amsterdam, Feb. 21.—German officials are intensely interested and puzzled by the inquiry of the United States regarding Austria-Hungary's attitude in connection with Germany's submarine warfare, is considered vague in official circles.

Freight Blockade in Yards at North Bay

North Bay, Ont., Feb. 22.—As a result of the C. P. R. and G. E. E. embargo at this point there are at present over four hundred cars of freight on the different sidings here.

QUAKE IN WEST INDIES REGISTERED AT BUFFALO

Buffalo, Feb. 21.—A severe earthquake shock lasting from 21 to 25 seconds was recorded on the seismograph at Canisius College today.