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British Navy is Gaining Mastery Over Submarines, Says Carson Sir Robert Borden Reaches London to Attend Imperial Conference

U-BOATS FULL OF EVERY AIM OF GERMAN NAVY Kaiser's Ministers Placate Reichstag With Promises of Starving Britain.

TO WITHHOLD FIGURES Von Capelle Wants Publication of Glowing Estimates Stopped.

London, Feb. 22.—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent sends the following account of the reichstag meeting in Berlin: The main committee of the reichstag met on Wednesday morning. Dr. Karl Helfferich, vice-chancellor and secretary of the interior; Vice-Admiral von Capelle, minister of the navy; Count von Roeder, secretary of the treasury, and Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, secretary of foreign affairs, were present.

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Shipping in North Sea. There is practically no shipping in the North Sea. Neutral shipping is clearly as good as stopped. Altogether we can look forward with great confidence to the further development of the submarine war. The expectations attached hereto by the German people have been fully justified by the results thus far.

WAR SUMMARY THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

SIR EDWARD CARSON, in his first speech in the British house of commons as first sea lord, yesterday, gave the neutral and allied world a great deal of reassurance about the submarine evil. It had recently grown until its extent had become serious, he said, and the problem had so far baffled complete solution, but the measures adopted would mitigate it by degrees.

The Globe Has Dropped Public Ownership of Railways Until "After the War"

Never has there been such a testing time for the friends of public ownership. No longer can anybody in Toronto, or Ontario for that matter, stand neutral or play double with the question.

But the Globe showed no disposition to move. It disapproved about the radicals among the willows, the drink evil in England, the nationalization of arsenals, the cold weather in Patagonia, the supreme end pressing issue of the hour.

Mr. Dunn thinks government ownership of railways a bad thing. It is more dangerous in its nature, more expensive in its results, and more burdensome in its present moment.

GERMAN WAR TAXES MUST BE INCREASED Fifteen Billion Marks Called for in a Supplementary Budget.

VON HINDENBURG SEES GERMAN MORALE LOW Foe Chief Admits Huns Suffered Serious Reverses Before Verdun.

FRENCH TROOPS BEAT Foe SURPRISE ATTACK Ally's Artillery Engages Enemy in Champagne and on Meuse.



Men of the 70th Battery firing live shells from Exhibition Camp to Hanlan's Point. Each battery in training in Toronto is taking turns in receiving instruction with live shells.

BORDEN AND HIS PARTY HAVE REACHED ENGLAND

Imperial Conference Will Not Open Until Middle of March—Lloyd George Confers With Overseas Representatives.

BRITISH RAIDS DAMAGE Foe POSITIONS GREATLY

Germans Lose Section of Trenches North of Guedecourt—Enemy Trenches Sustain Much Damage Near Armentieres and Ypres.

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AUSTRIA AND U.S. TO END RELATIONS

Vienna Despatches Indicate Parting of Ways is Almost Reached. BACK GERMANY FULLY

STEAMERS SUNK

Steamers yesterday reported sunk were: Centurion (British), 1823 tons. Rosalie, 4023 tons. Guido, 2903 tons. Giuseppe, 1294 tons. Skogianer, 2944 tons. Minna, 2854 tons. Vessels sunk since Feb. 1 (travelers not included), 127; total tonnage (estimated), 274,367.

FIRST ARRIVAL SPRING HATS FOR MEN.

Consignments of the new spring styles in hats for men are arriving daily at Dineen's. Already the windows on Yonge street feature the display.

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BRITAIN'S NAVY SUCCESSFUL IN FIGHTING SUBS

Carson Reports Forty Encounters With U-Boats During Present Month. LID SLIGHTLY LIFTED

Destroyers, Seaplanes and Other Means Used With Gratifying Results.

London, Feb. 21.—Sir Edward Carson, making his debut as first lord of the admiralty in the house of commons today, had an inspiring story to tell of the silent accomplishment of the British navy, and it was still more welcome because of the unexpected and interesting revelations as to the extent to which the navy is countering the submarine menace.

WILSON TO DEFER WAR DECLARATION

He Will Merely Ask Authority to Protect American Rights.

NO SPECIAL SESSION Wilson Fears He Might Plunge Country Into Dangerous Excitement.

Washington, Feb. 21.—The generally accepted idea that President Wilson will address congress on the German crisis again before the end of the week virtually was confirmed today in official pronouncement. It was said that the president still was considering his next step, but officials pointed out the necessity of providing for any emergency which might arise after adjournment, and explained that the president would go to the capitol not to ask for a declaration of war, but merely for authority to protect American rights.

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