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## RENEW ACTIVITY NORTH OF SALONICA Britain's Anti-Submarine Measures Prove Effective

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Jellicoe "Not Dissatisfied" With Number of Subs Accounted for.

Earl of Lytton Says Britain Can Face Supply Problem Confidently.

London, Feb. 15.—Statements made by Lord Lytion and Lord Curzon in the house of lords today indicate that, to meet the submarine menace, the government is relying on a great multiplication of destroyers and the saming of merchantmen. Lord Lyt-ton said that all the shipyards in the world would not suffice to build the destroyers reeded, but every avail-able yard was being utilized for that purposes.

London, Feb. 13.-In the house of lords today Admiral Baron B nes'ord, drawing attention to the submarine menace and asking what measures had been taken to meet it, said:

"We have lost since the b ginning of the war 4,000,000 tons of shipping. That is a fact which the public should know, but it is not nearly as serious as it appears. We have made up the loss very considerably. Thre million tons which have been lost have been more or less adequately filled.

in future but we have had time to face it, and it is to that time that I desire to call attention."

country, Baron Beresford continued, had been informed in August. 1915, that the submarine menace was brought to the admiralty by men fresh seventy million dollars.

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#### **CONVOYED IN FLEETS** THRU ZONE OF PERIL

Arrived at New York Yes-

terday.

of Great Britain for breaking the Ger-man U-boat blockade by convoying merchantmen in fleets, was begun carriers, with an aggregate tonnage weather on record.

of more than 60,066, arrived in port

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# Trunk System

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The Grand Trunk Railway system, in

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Few realize how the Grand Trunk they are making the National Transcon Railway Company of Canada is being tinental serve as an argument agains dragged down by the Grand Trunk Pacific. The load is so heavy that it may ing the Grand Trunk Pacific) was never crush the old Grand Trunk within a intended to be a complete railway system short time. The situation may be a It was intended as a complement to and little better today than it was a year an extension of the old Grand Trunk ago, but we know that a year ago it The eastern division was largely a colwas so acute that the Grand Trunk could onization road thru the hinterlands of not have gone on for another three Ontario and Quebec, and ran far north of months without relief. Writing to Sir Montreal, Toronto and other centres. The Robert Borden under date of Dec. 10, idea was to build and assist the Grand "DEVICES" SUCCESSFUL 1915, Mr. Alfred W. Smithers, chairman Trunk in becoming a transcontinents of the Grand Trunk Rallway Company, railway.

We are now at the end of our tether with regard to Grand Trunk Pacific financing.

The first Grand Trunk Pacific payments for interest after Jan. 1 next will become due on March 1, and amount to just under \$1,000,000, and there is no prospect of our being able to meet that payment.

corner was turned by borrowing eight million dollars from the Jaminion Government at the last session of parliament, but this only added to the load, the it temporarily staved off the day of reckoning. Now, more than ever, it is obvious that the old Grand Trunk canthe \$2,750,000 a year it is called upon to might be dispensed with, and the provinpay on account of the Grand Trunk cial road between North Bay and Coch-

It must be remembered that the Dominion Government has a first lien upon equip, lease and operate the road between the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway enter- Moncton and Winnipeg. It is crying to prise. That first lien far exceeds in the government to be relieved of all revalue what the road will bring if offered sponsibility for the line between Winnipeg for sale in the open market. The Do- and Prince Rupert. It wants the govern minion Government therefore can at any ment to operate this long, lean, branchies time it pleases take over the Grand road, nearly four thousand miles long. Trunk Pacific without asking permis. which can have no point or purpose unsion of the old Grand Trunk, or paying less it is operated in conjunction with the "There is not the slightest necessity the old Grand Trunk a dollar. The old for panic. We have done ramarkably Grand Trunk, however, by such liquidawell and shall do a great deal better tion, will not be relieved of its commitments on account of the Grand Trunk Pacific, but it will be bound for all time to come to pay \$2,750,000 a year on that

account. From that burden the Grand Trunk well in hand. As far as he could Railway Company of Canada can only gather it was nearer coming to b well be relieved by the Dominion Government band today, owing to the new ideas giving to them without consideration

which confronts us in Ontario is sufficient serve no purpose but to unjustly disto prove that. The government may be credit public ownership, and thereby furble ownership all authorities would not Six Big English Cargo Carriers doing the best it can, and we believe Sir nish a scarcecrow at which glib experts say more than this at present, in experience of New York and Chicago can point in planation of what is in progress, but the net result to date is an utter break-deriding democracy's inability to serve it is understood that an army of home down. Factories are closing down and people are suffering. No one can doubt But who Special to The Toronto World.

New York, Feb. 13.—The Central News says:

What is believed to be a vast plan of Great Britain for breaking for the Britain for the Britain for the Britain for the Britain for breaking for the Britain for th we would get a new government. Imagine the eastern division of the National mated that there would be a reorgania government owning the railways and Transcontinental, and is now anxious to zation of the forces. telling the people of Ordario that they let go of the western division. The Dotoday, when six big English cargo must do without coal during the coldest minion Government, therefore, must take

The government of the day has been shall operate the National Transcontinmultaneously were the Laconia and accused of desiring to make the National ental, including the Grand Trunk Pacific, Ascania of the Cunard Line; and the Transcontinental (including the Grand and permit the old Grand Trunk to re freighters Hermes, Storaker and Clif- Trunk Pacific) the laughing stock of the main a separate entity, under corporate ton, from Weish ports, and the Atlas railway world. No doubt by so doing they control, is a mischievous suggestion, trom London. It is declared they are would make Sir Wilfrid Laurier more or which will never come from a true friend Berlin Absolutely Denies Reconvoyed by war slips thru the sub-marine zone and travel in fleets until less ridiculous, because Sir Wilfrid looked of public ownership it is regarded as safe to permit them forward, at one time to the National The government must take all of the each to travel in the direction of their Transcontinental being his monument, but Grand Trunk system, or none. It must incidentally, and we hope unintentionally not be saddled with the Grand Trunk Pa-

Allies Occupy Eresen on Renewal of Activity in Balkans.

**BRITISH MAKE RAIDS** 

Particularly Violent Bombardment Prevails Between Cerna and Lake Presba.

railway.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

Paris, Feb. 13.—An improvement in the weather has brought more activity to the front north of Salonica, according to a Paris official communication, issued tonight. Besides violent bombardments. ing the Grand Trunk Pacific) would never have been built the way it was if it were designed to be operated as an independent and a self-sustaining line. The idea was to link it up with the old Grand Trunk into one great unified system. Sir Robert Borden and the Conservatives in opposition always contended that a large part of the proposed construction of the National Transcontinental was unnecessary. They thought the new road could be started at North Bay and that the Canada Atlantic could be used to connect the Grand Trunk Pacific with tide water. Later on, it was suggested that the construction between Cochrane and Quebec might be dispensed with, and the provincial road between North Bay and Cochrane utilized.

#### Now, however, the Grand Trunk has fallen down. It has failed to take over, CANADIAN MILITA TO BE REORGANIZED

Various Units to Provide Basis for Army of Home

PLANS BEING SHAPED

tercolonial, can be made to serve a national purpose, and will some day pay its Ottawa Will Soon Supply way. But a great deal more money will have to be expended. Branches and feed-More Information on ers will have to be built ad thru the prairie Subject. provinces. Terminals will have to be completed at Vancouver and St. John, N.B.

Ottawa, Feb. 13.—Reorganization of mysteries.

We cannot believe that the governIn conclusion, Baron Beresford,
while acknowledging the submarine

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But, however that may be, we have no doubt that it would be in the national interest to take over the Grand Trunk Railway System without delay. The situation which confronts us in Ontario is sufficient.

The definite information of the militia department this evening.

More definite information regarding trenches.

Acting Capt. Harry Harold Coombs continued in command altho severely wounded during a raid on the enemy trenches.

More definite information regarding trenches.

Lieut. Charles Southwell de Grouchy, soon as the plans on which to proceed artillery, displayed great courage and

defence is to be raised with the pre-But who is to own and operate the sent militia as the basis.

### up the burden, and finish the work. The proposal that the Dominion Government **PIRACY PROGRAM**

port That Suggestions Are Invited. cific and seventy million dollars more of

NO PARLEY WITH U.S.

Further Exchange of Notes Regarded as Out of Question.

largely due to a blockade of freight: no ships to take it out from ocean ports, and consequent congested yards and can't be unloaded, nor be got any far in a note to the United States or thru other medium, is inviting suggestions In Canada there is neither sufficient for the avoidance of actual war. It is engines nor other rolling stock to handle reiterated that the imperial government is not permitting doubts in any quarters regarding the position activey assumed in the U-boat warfare, and that there can be no talk or thought of recession from the program al-Canadian Clubs are chumps: see ed- ready being carried out. In view of this it is declared in autorials and special despatches in leading thoritative circles that any further parley or exchange of notes with the United States may be dismissed as unwarranted and improbable. Reductions of 25 to 50 per cent. ap-

The origin of the report is ascribed to the recent announcement, made thru the Swiss Government, that Germany was willing to negotiate respecting the amended treaty of 1799.

Bulgarian Queen's Condition

Special Cable to The Toronto World Sofia, Feb. 13.—The queen is conjesty is suffering.

## What to Do With the Grand ITALIANS ADVANCE LIBERTY OF AMERICAN SAILORS DEMANDED IN EMPHATIC NOTE

#### GERMANY SUFFERS GREATLY FROM SHORTAGE OF MEN

Foe Keeps Shifting Troops From France to Russia and Back Again-Soldiers Nearly Starve.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.
Petrograd, Feb. 13.—That Germany is hard pressed for men is shown by the fact that there are incessant movements of German troops from the Russian to the French fronts and back again, according to military observers. Captured documents, it is declared, show that the food supply of the armies in Courland and Lithuania is very bad and that all unfit horses have been slaughtered. Soldiers provided with food tickets, available for three months, raid the restaurants, leaving the civilians nothing.

#### CANADIANS' FINE DEEDS WIN NEW RECOGNITION

Dashing Raids and Successful Engineering Operations Result in Further List of Awards in Which Officers and Men of Ranks Share.

Acting Major Henry Sloan Cooper, in- prisoners. fantry, who led a successful raid with great courage and coolness, and on many previous occasions did fine

Capt. Roy Aubrey Spencer, engineers, who displayed great courage in countermining against the enemy galleries, and on one occasion was cut off from our lines for twelve hours. Military Cross: Lieut. and Acting Captain William Archibald Cameron infantry, who led a raid against the

under heavy fire, materially assisting in successful operations. Successful Raids.

Lieut. William Ralph Elliott, infantry, assumed command and handled a company in an attack with marked

successful raid against the enemy London, Feb. 13.—The following honors have been mentioned in the official Military Gazette:

Bar to Military Cross: Capt. and brought back two unwounded prices.

Lieut. Charles Herbert Ivy, Engineers, succeeded in laying a trench with tracing tape in spite of very lieavy fire, and later showed marked been issued at Berlin announcing that courage and skill in guiding a working party to the site. Lieut. Clarence Errol Kidd. Infan-

try, led a party across two hundred yards of No Man's Land, and altho his knee was severely wrenched in going over, he continued to "carry on" and later organized a small party and himselg helped to carry in the wounded, under heavy fire.

Lieut. William Angus Livingstone led a section in a raiding party with that will precipitate war has not been marked gallantry, inflicting heavy committed. casualties and capturing several pri-

Lieut. Arthur Beamer McCormack Lieut. Charles Southwell de Grouchy, artillery, displayed great courage and skill in maintaining communications carried out several daring reconnais-

Engineering Exploits. Lieut, James Goldie, Engineers, for conspicuous bravery in assisting and exploding a large mine against the enemy galleries, and after the explowith great personal risk, dug

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### POLA ARSENAL BOMBED IN BIG SEAPLANE RAID

Rome, Feb. 13, via Paris.—Italian seaplanes yesterday made an effective air raid upon Pola, throwing bombs on the arsenal and on ships in the harbor, says an admiralty announcement. "All the Italian machines returned undamaged."

#### BRITISH DEFEAT ENEMY IN SERRE HILL ACTIONS

of prisoners taken by the British

This is given in the official statement made tonight by the war bureau. The statement is as follows: "Last evening a strong hostile raiding party was driven off by our men, south of Pys. The enemy suffered heavy losses, leaving many prisoners. in our hands as well as many dead.

"This morning we successfully raidfront have suffered severely both in several hundred yards. In this raid casualties inflicted and in the numbers great damage was done to the enemy's defenses. The trench railhead and four mine shafts were destroyed, as well as many dugouts, which later were blown in, burying many of the Germans who were hiding in them. a considerable number of his troops

were killed. Our own casualties were remarkably light, however. "Other raids were made during the "Today the enemy made repeated day to the east of Neuville St. Vaast, attacks, all unsuccessful, however, north of Loos and to the east of Ypres, day to the east of Neuville St. Vaast, upon our new positions south of the where we destroyed several occupied

### FOE SUBMARINE SHELLS FRENCH COASTAL POINT

Paris, Feb. 13 .- A submarine yesterday attacked the French coast Is Believed to Be Grave at the mouth of Adour River, in the extreme southwestern section, but because of her break with the United did no great damage. An official statement on this operation, issued to-

night, reads:
"An enemy submarine emerged at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon at she, as a warship, would sail more venturesome and more dangerous fur-lined and coonskin coats are on fined to be bed and her condition is said to be grave. Nothing has been the schedule of reductions. W. & D. Sofia, red. 15.—The queen is confined to be bed and her condition is said to be grave. Nothing has been batteries immediately replied. At the first shot the submarine dived Dineen Company, Limited, 140 Yonge given out by the court of sicians as treet. Toronto. In Hamilton, 20 and to the ailment from which her mathe mouth of the Adour River and fired six shots at the coast. The land batteries immediately replied. At the first shot the submarine dived

Enquiry from Washington to Germany Regarding Their Detention is Preliminary to Act on If Men Are Not Released.

Washington, Feb. 13 .- An inquiry concerning the detention by Germany of the 72 American seamen brought in by the prize ship Yarrowdale was despatched to Berlin today by the United States, preliminary to more vigorous action if the men are not promptly released.

The plight of these sailors occupied much of the time at today's cabinet meeting given over to the crisis growing out of Germany's submarine war-fare. It was agreed that their liberty again should be demanded in most emphatic fashion. Pending complete reports as to the treatment of German crews on war-bound ships in the Philippines, Hawaii and elsewhere, however, the government will content itself with the inquiry as to why the Americans are held and under what

conditions.

The cabinet discussed every phase of the international situation. question of providing naval guns for American shipowners desiring to arm their vessels for defence was considered, but it was stated officially afterwards that no decision was reached. It is understood that there was a division of opinion with most of the cabinet officers strongly favoring furnishing the guns, both on the ground that permitting American ships to re-main idle in port suggests acquiescence in Germany's course and because the congestion of ocean-bound freight in the country's ports is assuming seribers are said to have contended that

yesterday was the last "day of grace" allowed neutral shipping before the unrestricted submarine warfare went into full effect, did not appreciably increase tension here. There has been full realization ever since the sinking of the Anchor Liner California that the German campaign is being carried on in deflance of the U.S., and that providence only is to be thanked that the overt act against American life

Austria Is Next. There wer strong indications during the day that the severance of relations with Germany would be extended to the other contral powers. Austria's adherence to Germany's position is regarded as practically certain to force a break with that country. Ambassador Elkus at Constantinople was instructed today to ascertain whether submarines operating under the Turkish flag were under the same instructions as those of Germany and Austria.

Serious difficulties with Turkey al-ready exist over interference with Armenian and Syrian relief and the detention of more than 1000 American It develops that no message has been

received at the state department since the break with Germany from either Ambassador Elkus in Constinantinople or from Consul-General Murphy Softa, who cared for American ests thruout Bulgaria. All cables to and from both points must go thru Vienna, but officials have no indication as to whether they are held up there or by the local Bulgarian and Turkish authorities.
Meanwhile the naval collier Caesar

loaded with food and clothing contributed by Am ricans for the sufferers in Syria, and the cruiser Des Moines, loaded with medical supplies, are lying at anchor in Alexandria harbor unable to c ntinue their voyage to Beirut because of the uncertainty as to what greeting they would meet. They are long overdue at Beirut, where they were n t only to unload their supplies for the destitute Syrians. London, Feb. 13.—During the past two days, the Germans on the western Souchez and penetrated his lines for the tasks on board the detained

Americans. Germany's redetention of Yarrow dale prisoners, who had be n ordered released upon the demand of the United States just before the break in relations, has arous d keen indignation, the incident almost overshadow-"The enemy resisted stubbornly and ing temporarily other issues of the grave situation.

Disturbed Over Cuba. The American Government is much disturbed ov r the revolutionary out-break in Cuba, but while it stands ready to take any steps which may become necessary to protect its in telests there, no apparent prepara-

tive intervention of any sort. The surprise with which officials received the first reports of an outbreak in Cuba is giving place to speculation as to what unrevealed in-fivences may be behind the revolu-tion. In some diplomatic quarters the is a feeling that some strong foreign pressure has been felt in the is and republic, and that Germany. States would be most likely to figure in such a move. If officials have any evidence that there is truth in these suspicions, however, they have not re-

Senator Saulsbury of Delaware, pre-sident pro tempore of the senate and majority member of the foreign re-

## \* WAR SUMMARY \*

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

B ARON BERESFORD opened a discussion of the submarine question in the house of lords vesterday, and he said that ARON BERESFORD opened a discussion of the submarine question in the house of lords yesterday, and he said that in keeping down this tracks all this side of the ocean. The cars absolutely denied here that Germany. menace the British navy had done remarkably well and that it will do a great deal better in future. He was confident, moreover, that in six weeks or so the navy will have the submarines really well in hand. The Earl of Lytton said that altho the new phase of the submarine campaign was only a fortnight old, the counter-measures put into effect already had achieved very considerable success, and they justified their expectations for the future. Between July, 1914, and the end of January last the gross British mercantile tonnage of 16,850,000 had decreased only between five and six per cent. Admiral Jellicoe and those who have been with him, said the earl, are not dissatisfied with what had been done, even in the past fortnight; they are not dissatisfied with the number of German submarines that will never return home.

Altho both Baron Beresford and the Earl of Lytton used guarded language in order that it might not involve the giving of important information to the enemy, they said enough to show that the navy will win another great triumph in a few weeks. Already that triumph has

\* \* \* \* \* Submarines have sunk four more ships of a gross tonnage of 15.000, according to reports up to midnight. One of these has a burthen of 12.000 tons, and it remains unestablished whether she is a naval auxiliary or Not. In case she is a warship, she cannot be counted in with the merchant

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