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## SUBS AND MERCHANTMEN IN BATTLE OFF SPANISH

### DESTROY DUTCH FLEET-WILSON URGED TO ACT

### Civic Spirit Born of Patriotism Should Be Perpetuated in London For General Welfare of the City

London had a big financial load to lift last week, but everyone go nto the harness and like a forty-horse team of pioneer days, lifted the load up into the smooth highway of Pull Together, and then carried it to the goal with ease and pride. The big "hitch" came to the finish

Just what this forty-horse team accomplished when it got down to pulling together is worth more to the city than the achievement in

The six to eight hundred men and women who gave their time and ability in some measure to the Patriotic Fund owe it to themselves to perpetuate the great work of those three memorable days-19-20-21-They gave of their time, money, energy and enthusiasm for the men who have gone to war, and for the dependents of those gone to war. It

was love of country that inspired them. What about the love of city? How much are they prepared to do or and give to London? They have a duty to perform in preserving for all time the spirit that actuated the patriotic endeavor of last week. Before the ardor has died down, before the lesson has been lost, out of the team of patriotic workers should grow a civic organization that

will crystallize for all time a REAL CIVIC SPIRIT in the city of London. It should not be an organization devoting its whole time to the securng of new industries for the city. That would be one of its primary functions. It should be powerful enough and representative enough to seize upon every problem that comes. In one sense it should be the Voice of London. London for many years has been a Tower of Babel so far as united expression is concerned.

No industry would leave the city, no industry would come knocking in vain at the doors of London, no civic problem would be left to a few men, no bungling of the city's interests should occur, if the brains and energy of those scores of men and women could be enlisted for service

unless there is some powerful organization to be sponsor for it? The imagination of the people could be kindled again by a campaign for home production during the war if leadership and team work were put into action at once. The cost of living could be struck a heavy blow if all of the available land were put under cultivation. There are more than 6,000 acres of land in the city's borders, and more than a quarter of this said to be available for cultivation.

The women who devoted themselves with such splendid results to patriotic campaign would be the first to unite in an effort to raise st amount of produce. But supervision and expert advice would be ssary. The same men who gathered in hundreds of thousands last k could organize and launch a campaign for production. Seeds ARDENER SAID TO THE ADVERTISER TODAY THAT THE CITY LD EASILY RAISE POTATOES ENOUGH TO TAKE CARE OF RY NEED, AND SELL THEM UNDER MUNICIPAL DIRECTION LESS THAN \$2 A BAG. Growing potatoes would not be easy work, these times for easy work?

on men and women may be glad to have blistered their hands before inother winter has come.

Many departments of usefulness for such an organization-a Citizens Club in the real sense-could be outlined. The Advertiser, after this preliminary suggestion, means to interview many citizens and to ascertain their views in the matter. Watch the paper Monday evening.

DAILY TOLL

Zaandijk, tons gross (Dutch)
Noorderjk (Dutch)
Eemland (Dutch)
Jacatra (Dutch)
Menado (Dutch)

Two fishing smacks (British)

FRIDAY'S SINKINGS.

Bandoeng (Dutch) Gaasterland

Whatfield (British)

Invercauld (British)

John Miles (British) Belgier (British)

Emeroy (not identified)

Athos (French)

OF THE SUBS

### JOHN BULL STRIPS FOR FINAL ROUND IS AMERICAN VIEW

### "War at Last Stage," Believes Sun.

V York, Feb. 4.—Morning news-shere, commenting on the speech mier Liloyd George in the ri use nmons, view his program as r indication that Great Britain ipped to bring the war to a suc-conclusion. The troise of 1,004 tons and the second of 357 tons. The Troise Prince measured 3,195 tons and was owned in Newcastle.

### HELPLESS DUTCH, **AMERICANS** Painful Impression at Washington Over Sinking

ENEMY BULLYING

of Fleet. IS ABOUT TIME TO ACT

Wilson Being Urged To Intervene in Interest of Little Neutrals.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Washington, Feb. 24.-A painful sensation has been caused here by the news today that Germany had sunk 33,000 tons of Holland's merchant ships yesterday. It is realized that Germany is bullying little Hol-land on the sea, because the Dutch can make no effectual protest with a big German army and German guns bristling on her frontiers.

Time To Act.

Interventionists in the press and Congress are today pointing out this fact to President Wilson. They demand to know if it isn't about time for United States to do something tangible for the protection of fellow "r utrals," who dare not "make a squeak" for themselves. It is be-lieved here now that German sub commanders have special instruc-tions to forget their "sink everything" instructions when they see United States ships in the barred Only two small American ships have been sunk since February 1, and 49 of other and smaller neu-

WHAT WILL WILSON DO? Washington, Feb. 4.—With aujournent of Congress one week off, Present Wilson today had given no insituon of when he will go before that dy with a statement on international actions, and Secretary of State Lange was out of the city on a three was the control of the city Athos a Transport,

news that an American iner Athos was torpedeed, was allayed today by press reports that the vessel was being used as a troop transport and was convoyed by two destroyers. Baron Zwiedinek, charge of the Austrian embassy here, is said to have been told during a call at the state department that until relations with ris sovernment had become more satisfactory no arrangements would be adde for official reception of the new ambassador, Count Tarnowski.

### **GREEK TROOPS ARE BADLY TREATED BY BULGAR-GERMANS**

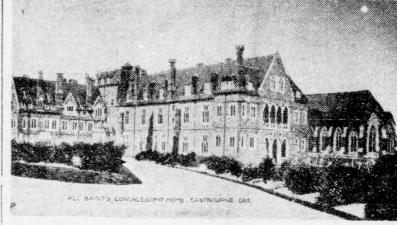
Frequent Mutinies and Many Deaths Reported.

London, Feb. 24.—According to advices received by the Greek authorities here there has been serious trouble among the 8,000 Greek troops who surrendered to the Bulgar-German forces at Kavala, and who are now interned at Coert.

TRANSFERRING ARMY. Athens, Feb. 24—Via London.—An official statement was given out here today in regard to the transfer of the Greek army to the Peloponnesus in compliance with the demands of the Entente Powers, The announcement follows:

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### UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL'S HOME



The Western "U" Hospital Unit is now located at All Saints' Convalescent Home, Eastbourne, England, Lieut.-Col. Edwin Seaborn commanding. The photo from which the above Illustration was made was sent home by a membe of the unit. No. 10, Stationary Hospital

### LONDON'S PATRIOTIC GIVING AMOUNTS TO \$1,181,590

The city of London, according to statistics prepared at the city hall, has raised \$1,181,590 for patriotic purposes since the beginning of the war. This includes the \$360,000 raised this week, but does not include any possible issues this year for soldiers' insurance, etc.

This is approximately \$20 a head, for man, woman and child in London, considered a strikingly good showing, which will be increased before 1917 is ended.

### 7 DUTCH VESSELS SUNK BY U-BOATS IN THE CHANNEL

Entire Fleet of Homeward-Bound Merchantmen of Holland Torpedoed Thursday---Not Under British Protection.

London, Feb. 24 .- According to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague, the sinking of the Dutch freighters, some of which had been chartered by the Dutch Government, produced widespread indignation in Holland. The Amsterdam Boerse became very weak on receipt of the news. The opinion is expressed, the dispatch says, that reparation must be

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**ALLIED TRANSPORT** 

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GROWING IMPATIENT

AT HALIFAX STAY

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Enterther Powers. The amounteened follows:

"The Greek general staff announces that there had been transferred from continental Greece to the Peloponness up to February 19, 15,800 men, 4,200 horses and mules, 313 guns, 155 machine guns, 140,000 rifles, 105,000 cases of infantry ammunition, 333,000 artillery projectiles and 133,000,000 carridges. At present there are being loaded at Piraeus for transport to the Peloponnessu 197 old Turkish guns, booty of the Balkan war. There still remains in Epirus a number of obsolete guns from Turkish forts.

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### Krupp Workers Are On Strike Because

Troops Refuse to Intervene To Stop the Disturbances-40,000 Out.

of Food Shortage

Maastricht, Holland, via London, Feb. 24.- The strike in the Krupp factories in Essen is constantly extending, according to Les Nouvelles, The paper says that 40,000 workers are now on strike due to the lack of food and that disturbances have occurred at Alx La Chapelle from the same cause. The police asked for the intervention of troops who, It is said refused to act.

### FOE'S FINANCES ARE IN SERIOUS STATE, SAYS VON ROEDERN

Hun Finance Minister Increases War Taxation.

### LAST CREDIT EXHAUSTED

Wants 15,000,000,000 More Marks to Carry on the Conflict.

London, Feb. 24.-War taxation in Germany has been increased 20 per cent in the budget presented to the Reichstag yesterday by Count von Roe-Amsterdam dispatch to Reuter's. In the course of his speech, in which he anounced the new war credit of 15,000, 000,000 marks, Count von Roedern explained that the increase in taxation was necessary because the budget provides no new money while the "safet law," enacted last year, called for a increase of fifty to sixty per cent in the legal reserve

London, Feb. 24.—Lloyds' announces that the crews of the following steamers were landed yesterday, their vessels having been torpedoed on Thursday:

Zaandijk (Dutch), 4,189 tons gross; Noorderjk (Dutch), 7,156 tons; Eemland (Dutch), 3,770 tons; Jacatra (Dutch), 5,373 tons gross; Menado (Dutch), 5,874 tons; Bandoeng (Dutch), 5,851 tons, and the steamship Gaasterland.

It is believed all the men on these vessels were saved.
Four of the seven Dutch steamers were homeward bound with full cargoes. The attack took place in the western approaches to the English Channel.

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New Coal Tax.

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SUNK BY GERMANS Berlin, Feb. 23. - By wireless to Sayville., Feb. 24.—The admiralty announced today that the Italian transport Minas, car-

Battle on Sunday Between Subs and Merchantmen---One U-Boat and Two Freighters Lost--British Rout the Enemy.

New York, Feb. 24 .- One German submarine was sunk and two merchantmen destroyed in a battle between seven submarines and nine merchantmen off the Spanish coast, near Tarragona, according to a Buenos Aires dispatch printed in today's New York Herald. The information was said to have been received in the Argentine city in a special dispatch from Barcelona.

ish Skoland (previously reported as having been sunk, but without details), and the Guiseppe (Italian). The were all greatly damaged.

ines were about to score a victory when five or six British destroyers appeared and put them to flight The sea battle, it was said, took place on Sunday.

### NO RECANTING OF SUB ORDER

1 SUB, 2 MERCHANTMEN

LOST IN GREAT FIGHT:

DESTROYERS SAVE SHIPS

Berne, Switzerland, Feb. 22.—Via Paris, Feb. 24.—The Neuste Nachrichten of Munich, l.ke the Frankfurter Zeitung, declares that Austria-Hungary will reaffirm its determination to stand by Gernany and go through with the submarine warfare. The Austrian fleet, it adds, will proceed with operations "entirely in spirit with the great eventual goal," which ied to the decision to resort to in-

### ARMED RAIDER BUSY IN INDIAN OCEAN: SINKS BRITISHERS

Tokio, Feb. 24 .- The Nichi Nichi anounces that an armed merchantman is raiding com-less damaged. They proceeded to M seilles and Gioraltar under the pro-tion of the destroyers." has sunk two British steamers southwest of Colombo.

other war loan, and this budget picture is certainly serious, but our economic life gives us no reason to look to the future less confidently than hitherto. X X X X Against the demands of our enemies for reparation we shall be able to put the word indemnity.

"I have confidence in our economic future and in the unbroken financial strength of our people and I am convinced, in view of our rapid technical development during the war and the firm determination of all producing circles, that everything that the war has destroyed will be rebuilt. Our strength is proved by the increase of deposits in savings and other banks and by the "eports of 400 limited companies, which show not only increasing profits but wide reserves."

The finance minister concluded his speech by drawing the hopeful picture of how all classes would work together for reconstruction after the war.

Count you Roedern was followed by bardment, the Germans attempted with- license commissioners today needed re-

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THE SKOLAND SUNK Among the ships listed as sunk were the Swed

British steamship Janeta and other merchantmen ROUTED BY DESTROYERS The Herald dispatch asserted that the submar-

STORY OF BATTLE.

New York, Feb. 24.—The Herald of the state of the st

### TRAVELERS WANT LICENSE BOARD TO SET HOTEL PRICES

Declare Reforms Needed in Standard Hotels.

forms in the conducting of standard hotels to meet the needs of the travel-