

submarines which have not returned to their base.

The undersea boats are said to be two days overdue, and it is feared that they have been destroyed.

The Hague, February 22.-Inquiry of coast guard stations in North Holland have brought the reply that nothing has been heard of that part of the crew of the Americar. steamer Evelyn who were reported to have proceeded for Holland after the steamer was blown up.

Very dense fog prevailed throughout yesterday and today along the coast.

German Dirigibles As Result Submarine Blockade

Paris, Feb. 22-An official communication issued by the French War of-All Traffic Between Sweden fice to-night tells of the bombardment and Britain Cut Off- of Calais by Zeppelin dirigibles which dropped bombs and killed five civ-Three British Craft Miss- ilians

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Our batteries demolished a heavy gun occupying a position near Lombaertzyde

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London, Feb. 22.-The wasp of mod- The enemy violently bombarded ern warfare the submarines, by means Rheims Sunday night and Monday. of which Germany has declared she The bombardment resulted in numerwill blockade the British Isles, daily ous victims, who represent the toll becomes a factor of more and more taken by Germans for their defeats of importance in the great war in Eur- the last few days.

ope, with respect to its influence on On Souain-Ceausejour front, we the policies of the nations engaged and have made progress, capturing a line in connection with the contraband of trenches and two woods, completequestion so vital to neutral states. It repulsing two particularly violent

Almost coincident with unofficial counter atacks, taking numerous prisreports that Austria proposed to fol- oners, and inflicting heavy losses on low the example of her ally by making the enemy.

war on merchant ships in the Ad- By fresh attacks at Les Esparges we riatic, came the announcement by have continued to gain ground. We Premier Asquith in the British Com- now hold almost the whole of the enmons that the much discussed retalia- emy's positions at Combres, south tory plan, though still tentative was east of Les Esparges, which is thur much broader in scope than had been under our fire.

previously suggested, in that it was At Bois Boule forest, Apremont, w Sir Edward Grey a matter for consideration of all the captured a trench.

Allies, concerning which a joint Note In Alsace we have captured the from the Allies might be expected. greater part of the village of Stess-A statement was likewise made in weier which we held only the outthe Commons that the British Gov- skirts of yesterday. ernment might deem it necessary to alter its decision whereby cotton may **Fired Upon** be declared as contraband.

The day passed without any additional merchant belligerent or neutral ship having fallen victim to German submarines, but three small British craft are missing, and fears are expressed as to their fate. Traffic in the North Sea remains

somewhat disorganized, the Dutch Shots Fell Short-Ship Ignor intention to destroy American ships in

means that another costly German rush has fallen short. It will take the London, Feb. 22 (official)-The battle now developing on Russian soil French Government reports the ento demonstrate whether this view is emy's attack against Ypres repulsed,

with very heavy loss. South of Ve:-In the Carpathians the armies of dun the French captured three mach-Russia and Austria remained swaying ine guns and two hundred prisoners. as it were in the gateway of Hungary. In Champagne the French have In the western war zone, it is give and take with loss or gain of a few yards per to take in the way or reprisal ag captured trenches and taken, near Mesnil, two machine guns and a hunof trenches.

dred prisoners. Official reports make usual claims, The Russian Government reports the Allies emphasizing their gains and Russian counter-atacks on the northhe Germans theirs. ern front. Obstinate German attacks were repulsed in the Carpathians. Gen. Gough Dies of Wounds There has been progress at certain

Seals are not worth more.

Grey has sent to the State Depart- BBBBBB B BBBBBB

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a falsehood the recent statement from Elderly Men

Statement From Berlin Brit-

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Washington, Feb. 23.-Sir Edward

nt a statement characterizing as

Berlin, attributing to the British, the

will very soon announced, I cannot points London, Feb. 23 .- Brigadier-General make a statement regarding the nat-Two sorties by the garrison of Przemysl were repulsed with severe loss. Gough, who took a prominent part in ure or scope of the measures to be **Bombard Calais** A German aeroplanes dropped the retreat from Mons, and who since taken bombs at and near Colchester last hen has been several times mentioned Asquith said "There certainly will is considering their excuse that Germany is not likely to reaight. Little damage was done and in despatches, died of wounds received be a Note from Britain, and I ho none were killed .-- HARCOURT. last Saturday. that there will be a joint one."

To THE GULF SEALERS!

DON'T SIGN any Agreement that contains a

clause fixing \$3.75 per cwt. for Seals. Before

Sealers will accept \$3.75 the owners of ships will

have to prove to the President of the F.P.U. that

Moreton's Hr., Feb. 23 .--

Sorry, difficult to attend Con-

vention at Spaniard's Bay.

Council and District in fullest

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MESSAGE FROM

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British Navy's

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Blockade of

Germany

precise attitude which it is proposed to adopt in retaliation against Ger- continues the chief topic of interest in the United Kingdom, man's recently initiated belligerent although British shipping is apparently moving with its policy, but a speedy agreement is ex usual freedom. pected

The Scandinavian neutral powers are showing much Reply to a question in the Commons this afternoon Asquith said: alarm over the situation, and representatives of the Scan-"The Allied governments are condinavian Government are holding another conference tosidering what action it would be proday, the outcome of which is awaited with much interest by ainst the Germany policy of attacking and destroying British, Allies and neutral shippers.

neutral merchant vessels without The question of naval convoys is being seriously conwarning, and without an attempt being made to save the lives of civilians sidered at the conference, but the guarded comments of newspapers show that it is clearly recognized that such steps Pending a decision, which I hope lead to war.

> The question of the right of the crews of five Danish ships to sail for enemy's ports is now before the court, which spect a neutral flag.

Zeppelin Bom-German Shell bards Calais **Injures Priest**

Hazebrouck, Feb. 23.-A soldier Drops Bombs on Railroad priest saying Mass yesterday in the Leading to Dunkirk-One Church at Elverdinque, near Ypres, Bomb Kills Old Man and when a German shell exploded over he building. and Little Girl Portion of the missile came through

the roof and struck the priest on the Calais, Feb. 23 .- Warning of ap- head. He was taken to the nearest broach of the Zeppelin which bom-jambulance, where an operation was barded this city was given sentries by performed.

the throbbing of the engine as approached from the sea at a height FRENCH AVIATORS of about a thousand feet. **CAUSE DAMAGE** The airship flew straight across the

city toward Fontinette Station, drop-A Dozen Soldiers Killed and ping no bombs on the way. The first missile fell when the Zeppelin was above a point where the railway tracks intercept. It went through a foot bridge and struck the track leading to

Belfort, Feb. 23.-French aviators uccessfully bombarded German bar-

Barracks Wrecked

The airship then rose somewhat racks at Muelhausen, Alsace, Monday higher in the air and dropped five morning and a flight as far as Fribombs in rapid succession. All fell in burg, in Breisgan, only 11 miles from the vicinity of the railroad. One burst the Rhine, and on their return dropin a court yard of houses close to the ped several bombs upon Muelhausen Grade crossing, demolishing a shed barracks.

A Delusion Says the London and breaking windows. Occupants of According to reports received here houses awakened by the explosion to-day the bombs killed about a dozen Mail-Food and Raw Maescaped without injury. German soldiers and caused extensive Other bombs fell in the garden and damage to the barracks.

All the French aviators returned on the roof of a little house in the Rue D'Ognir. An old man and a little girl safely to Belfort.

London, Feb. 23.-Complaints at Governments delay in enforcing block asleep in the garret and a family ade or whatever reprisals have been which had the cottage, in ground floor, foundations and broke all windows

Dunkirk.

