

U-BOAT HIDE AND SEEK BUSIES BRITISH 'PLANES.

Action and Romance of War at Sea Centre In Ceaseless Vigil of Torpedo Boats, Destroyers and Aircraft.

LONDON, Nov. 17.—Strangest looking of all the ships with the British Grand Fleet is the Atlantic liner which has been transformed into a mother ship for seaplanes. There are platforms in place of the promenades where passengers used to lounge, bombs in place of deck chairs, and the dining saloons have been fitted up as workshops. Everything that a seaplane needs in the way of repairs can be supplied.

"Here is our assortment of bombs," said an officer, showing an exhibit of different sizes on a shelf. "That one weighs a hundred pounds, the same as a six-inch shell."

"What do you use them on?" he was asked.

"Anything from a German cruiser, if we get a chance at one, to a submarine. That big bomb would finish a Zeppelin, too."

A crane that once had taken passengers trunks out of the hold lifted a seaplane off a platform and deposited it on the water, where it bounced on the waves before the motor was started and it skimmed across the surface for a hundred yards or more, rose, circled around the fleet two or three times, and then disappeared out to sea. With its floats it looked clumsy beside an aeroplane—the difference between a duck and a hawk.

Most of the romance and the action of sea warfare while the British Grand Fleet waits for the German fleet to come out are the seaplanes and the destroyers. The dreadnoughts remain in harbor, except for occasional cruises into the North Sea; but the planes and the destroyers are

great ships, but how to destroy them?"

If oil and bubbles come up for a long time in one place, or if they come up with a rush, that is considered fairly good evidence of success. There is no escape for the crew. They cannot make the submarine rise or get out of it. It becomes a steel casket in a watery grave. No nautical mind is required to realize that by casting about on the bottom with a grapnel you will learn, if an object with the bulk and size of a submarine is there; and the "death" of submarines is established in this way.

"The Admiralty will not accept any guesswork about it," said an officer. "We may have put an explosive right into one, or rammed it in a way that must have broken its back; but that is not proof enough. The record goes down on the chart as 'supposed destroyed.'"

With Admiral Crowsford, the correspondent of the Associated Press went to see the submarine defences of a harbor. Cruisers and destroyers and auxiliaries were going and coming, but the narrow openings through which they passed closed instantly they were by. There was more than one obstruction. If a submarine got past the first or the second, it was in a pocket. Several have been caught in this way.

"Take care! There is a tide here!" the coxswain of the admiral's barge was warned. "We don't want to get caught in a trap meant for Fritz."

At one naval base the correspondent saw a number of destroyers lying moored to a quay as close together as flies in a basket. They had just come in from a tour at sea.

Torpedo Boats Winter Tango.

"Here today and gone tomorrow," said an officer. "What a time they had last winter! And they are in for another winter of it. You know how cold the North Sea is—no, you cannot unless you have been out in a torpedo boat dancing the tango in the teeth of that bitter wind, with the spray whipping at the top of the smokestacks. In the dead of night

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they would come into this pitch dark harbor. How they found their way in is past me. It's a trick of those young fellows who command.

If a destroyer gets on the track of a submarine it has thirty knots against the submarine's six or eight; there is no difficulty in keeping up; her wireless brings a swarm of assistance. The fast turbine destroyers seemed to slip over the water as if their bottoms are oiled. Only a few of the crew are exposed when showers of freezing spray sweep the decks, and all are clad in thick, short coats of lama wool, which keep their bodies warm and leave the legs free for movement in keeping footing as the destroyers roll and plunge in a heavy sea.

Every ship on the blockade from Iceland to the British Channel is also a part of the system of submarine hunting. They show no lights; there are no lights along the coast at night. "It gives one an idea of Britain's maritime resources," said an officer. "When you consider that we have 2,300 trawlers and other auxiliary ships on service."

The trawlers plod over plotted sea-square with the regularity of mov-

ing machines, cutting a harvest, on their way back and forth sweeping up mines. They were fishermen before the war and are fishermen still. They come into harbors stiff with cold, thaw out, have a rest, and return to their vigils and their hardships. Beyond them, the cruisers and the destroyers are patrolling on the watch for any sign of a German ship coming out past Heligoland.

EMPIRE'S CAPITAL WEALTH \$130,000,000,000 SAYS MCKENNA

LONDON, Nov. 24.—At a rough estimate the capital wealth of the British Empire is \$130,000,000,000 and its yearly income \$20,000,000,000. So Reginald McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer told an inquirer in the Commons to-day.

ANOTHER DEFEAT FOR GERMANS

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 23.—The Danish Government has prohibited the exportation of cotton goods and cases in the dry state.

LONDON, Nov. 24.—A Reuter message from Athens says the Entente Ministers have presented a collective note to Premier Skouloudis demanding that Greece define her attitude. The Cabinet was immediately called together.

POLICE COURT NEWS.

(Before Frank J. Morris, J.P.)

A drunk was fined \$1 or 5 days and a case between two women for the use of abusive language was postponed until Monday.

A resident of Trinity, who sailed for the fishery without a permit, was fined \$20 or 30 days.

The boy McDonald, who wounded young Casey with a toy revolver, was fined \$5 or 14 days.

Francis Piercey, who is held for the Supreme Court on a charge of destroying the railway station at Badger by fire, was admitted to bail, finding two sureties of \$1000 each to appear when called upon in the Supreme Court.

A Tender Spot.

British submarines in the Baltic have touched the Germans in a very tender spot by cutting off the supply to their munition factories of the high quality iron ores which they had been importing largely from Sweden.—Kingston Standard.

BEAR HUNTERS

ALL the talk is now war, hosts are gathered from afar; every mother's son you meet chatters, as he walks the street, how the British or the French (under Joffree) seized a trench. Every brave young British man hopes some day to lead the van on a gory battle-ground, baffled foemen strewn around. Still, in spite of war's alarms, some must work up on their farms; wheels of commerce in their groove somehow must be made to move. Winter's coming, don't forget, the streets are getting mighty wet; you must soon begin to choose just what brand of rubber shoes you will for that season buy for your wife, your girl, your boy. Sometimes you will buy a shoe which will wear a week or two, then you find the heels and soles quickly fill with jagged holes. Some may cost \$1.10, which will wear some days, and then, in through heel and in through toe you will find the water go; coughs and colds with speed will follow—your cheeks become both pale and hollow. Here's advice we give you, friend: your rubber troubles you can end—in any part of Newfoundland you can buy the old Bear Brand. On the sole of every pair you'll find stamped the Polar Bear. The Bear means money saved to you, and likewise 'tis a stylish shoe. No more we'll say, my dear old chap, but add the proverb: "Verbum sap."—nov12,tf

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