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## Dutch Aroused Over the Recent Marine Losses

**International Situation Still Delicate—Dutch Papers Accuse German Legation of Circulating False Rumors About British Landing Forces on Dutch Territory—The Real Danger is from Inside not Outside—Shipping Interests Press the Government to Adopt Energetic Measures to Stop Sinking of Dutch Vessels by German Submarines**

THE HAGUE, April 10.—The international situation here is still one of extreme delicacy. So far as the recent rumors of a landing of British troops are concerned, the Dutch Press openly, and by name, accuses the Chancellor of the German Legation at The Hague and the German Consul-General at Amsterdam of responsibility for their origin. Neither has yet uttered a denial.

An early opportunity will be taken to interpellate the Government in the Second Chamber and demand an inquiry. Meanwhile, the real danger is not from the outside, but from the inside. Dutch shipping interests, by far the most powerful in the country, are thoroughly aroused by recent marine losses, and are pressing the Government to take energetic measures.

## Seizures of Cargoes Causing Surprise

Record Number of Cargoes Have Been Seized the Past Fortnight.

LONDON, April 9.—The record number of seizures of cargoes from the United States by British authorities during the past fortnight, is causing some surprise here in view of the fact that the new plan under which American shippers might have been given a form of license certifying the innocence of consignments, was put into operation two weeks ago.

Many ships detained have been subsequently released, but a larger number than usual has been ordered to put at least a portion of their cargoes into the Prize Courts.

## Hungarian Red Cross Express Regret Over Sinking of Portugal

LONDON, April 9.—The Russian Red Cross, says a Reuter despatch from Petrograd, has received a telegram from the Hungarian Red Cross proffering condolence over the sinking of the Russian hospital ship "Portugal" the loss of which, through attack by a hostile submarine on March 24th, has been announced by the Russian Admiralty.

The Hungarian Red Cross organization expresses the conviction that the incident was due to some error of misunderstanding.

## Overnight Messages

### A Sheer Invention

LONDON, April 8.—The following official statement was issued here today: A statement has appeared in a Dutch newspaper to the effect that a captain of a Dutch mailboat has confirmed by oath that he saw a captured German submarine on the Thames, under the command of British officers. This is a sheer invention.

### Sainte Marie Sunk

LONDON, April 2.—Lloyd's announced to-night that the French fishing vessel Sainte Marie was sunk. The crew was saved. Additional information concerning the sinking of the steamer Chantala was that two firemen were killed.

### Neutral Damaged

LONDON, April 9.—The Danish steamer Asger Ryebon, was sighted, south of the Isle of Wight, in a badly damaged condition. It is supposed she had been torpedoed.

### Five Children Burned

LONDON, April 9.—Five child performers were burned at a children's entertainment at the Garrick Theatre at Hereford, England. The performance ended tragically.

### Another Check For the Germans

PARIS, April 9.—The French evacuated Bethincourt salient on Saturday night. The Germans to-day attack, with great violence, from their new line from Avocourt to Cumieres, but were repulsed with sanguinary losses. Only at one point north-east of Avocourt did the Germans succeed in entering the French trenches. From this position they were ejected through a counter-attack.

### French Repulse Germans in Champagne

PARIS, April 9.—The French curtain of fire has checked the enemy attack, and the Germans are compelled to remain in the trenches at Champagne. Artillery was very active in Flanders, but no gains of importance are reported.

### Another Victory For French

PARIS, April 9.—A French victory is announced at Verdun. The War Office reports that the troops have captured 150 metres of German trenches at Douaumont Village, north of Verdun. German hand-grenade attacks were repulsed.

### Austrian Transport Sunk in Adriatic

PARIS, April 8.—It was officially announced to-day that a French submarine has sunk an Austrian transport in the Adriatic.

### Wilson's Greeting For Albert

WASHINGTON, Apr. 9.—President Wilson to-day sent a cable congratulating King Albert of Belgium on the celebration of his 41st birthday.

### No Germans Did It

BERLIN, April 9.—The German Government is able to announce that no German submarine or warship is responsible for the explosion which damaged the British steamer Sussex.

### The End of a Racer

RIVERSIDE, Cal., April 9.—Bob Burton is dead from injuries. The famous automobile racer has died as a result of recent accidents.

LONDON, April 10.—Wilfred Phillip Ward, author and editor of the "Dublin Review," died to-day, aged sixty years.



## Unionist Member Created a Peer

King George Confers Barony on Sir So As To Relieve Him Of Onerous Duties—Has Been In Falling Health For Some Time

LONDON, April 10.—Henry Chaplin, Unionist Member of Parliament for Wimbledon, former President of the Local Government Board, has been created a peer. It is understood King George conferred the barony in order to relieve the recipient from the onerous duties as representing the important constituency of Wimbledon. He has been in falling health for some time, and had desired to resign his seat in Commons without severing himself from all connection with politics. The bestowal of the peerage, giving him a seat in the House of Lords, has achieved this aim.

## Ireland Gets New Attorney General

LONDON, April 10.—John Gordon, Attorney-General of Ireland, has been appointed Judge Commoner and James Campbell has been appointed Attorney General in succession to the retiring incumbent.

## No Warning Given

MALTA, April 9.—One engineer and eight lascars of the crew of the steamer Chantala were killed when the vessel was sunk by a submarine. Ninety two survivors were rescued and landed here. They declared they had no warning of the attack. The Chantala is a vessel of 4949 tons gross, which sailed from London on March 10th for Calcutta.

## Neutrals to Protest

BERLIN, April 9.—The Overseas News Agency to-day quotes the "Neue Zürcher Zeitung," stating that it has reports from reliable sources that all neutral countries will protest to Britain against unlawful interference with the Declaration of London in connection with the intensification of the British blockade.

## Another British Steamer Sunk

LONDON, April 10.—The British steamer Zafra has been sunk, according to a Lloyd's report. She was 3,578 tons.

## TRAIN REPORT

Yesterday's No. 2 left Port aux Basques 8.25 a.m. to-day, 5 cars.

## 'Sylvia' Gets a Hot Reception

Peace Meeting in Trafalgar Square Gets Busted In Quick Fashion

LONDON, April 9.—An attempt to hold a non-conscripted and peace meeting in Trafalgar Square to-day was unceremoniously broken up by thousands of persons who charged and dispersed the procession, and tore up the banners and flags.

Various peace societies organized the demonstration. Sylvia Pankhurst, the militant suffragette, was prominent. After the procession had been dispersed the leaders of the movement mounted the plinth of the Nelson column and endeavoured to make speeches, but the crowd pelted them with flour, and red and yellow ochre. The speakers faced the ordeal for five minutes and then beat a hasty retreat.

## British Hold Ground Gained At St. Eloi

LONDON, April 10.—The British War Office to-night issued the following official communication: "A Fokker monoplane descended inside our lines yesterday; the pilot, who was un wounded, was taken prisoner.

"To-day, there was artillery activity about Neuville St. Vaast, Souchez, Hohenzollern Redoubt and Wyschete. The enemy sprang a mine in the Hohenzollern sector. At St. Eloi, our troops held a considerable portion of the ground gained on March 27, including three out of the four main line craters.

## Meat Regulations

BERLIN, April 9.—Maximum meat prices, the amount of meat to be allotted daily in future to each individual, and the manner of distribution will be agreed upon to-morrow when representatives of all Greater Berlin Municipalities gather for discussion of the foods problem.

## Rheims Again Being Bombarded

PARIS, April 9.—Systematic bombardment of the city of Rheims resumed three weeks ago, continues with increasing intensity. Thousands of shells fell in the town on Friday.

"Great Men Poor Talkers." Then it's only the ones that think they are great that we so frequently hear.

## French Troops Have Evacuated Bethincourt

### OFFICIAL

LONDON, April 9. (Official).—Last night and to-day there has been some minor activity about Hulluch quarries and southeast of Rochincourt.

There has been artillery activity to-day on both sides of the Belacourt-Souchez-Lorette Ridge.

About St. Eloi and south of Ypres the enemy shelled our trenches heavily this afternoon. We retaliated.

### RUSSIAN.

PETROGRAD, April 9.—German trenches and a blockhouse are destroyed. Our mining and artillery works are effective at Dvinsk. Austrians and Turks are held in check by the Slavs. The Austrians have been repulsed in Galicia, and the Turks driven back on the right of the Karadere River.

### GERMAN

BERLIN, April 9.—There has been no change in the situation in any of the theatres of war, according to to-day's official statement issued by the German army headquarters.

### HORSE SHOT UNDER HIM.

Reported Missing, But Turned Up. In the casualty lists received here as to the wounded after Gallipoli, no mention was made of Pte. Jim Power, son of T. Power, cabman. Jim had a very exciting and varied experience. When the Peninsula was being evacuated, he rode the back of a transport horse, when suddenly a shell fell near him, the animal to pieces, and Power was severely wounded, and had his shoulder broken. He was rushed on board a transport, with others was sent to Ayr and strange to say was given later in the returns sent here as missing. The adjutant there discovered the mistake, and rectified it.

### MEMORIALIZED THE PREMIER

Under the new rules which have been formulated for the officials of the City Council's officers, most of the officials who have been servants of the city for years, now hold their positions under only a year's tenor, and as far as we can learn must apply yearly for a continuation of their employment. In all the rules relative to city matters the harsh hand of the autocrat is plainly in evidence, and the whole people of the city are realizing this, and resentment is general and outspoken. The officials, concerned, we hear, have memorialized the Premier on this matter, and we learn he has promises to bring his influence to bear for the abrogation of such an unjust and unnecessary enactment.

### T. A. & B. SOCIETY'S MEETING.

Presentation to Dr. O'Connell. At the monthly meeting of the T. A. & B. Society held yesterday afternoon there was a large attendance. Dr. O'Connell, former physician of the body, was present and was presented with a beautiful gold watch and address, to which he eloquently replied heartily, thanking the members and promising to return (D.V.) to resume his duties with the society some day. Dr. Campbell entered the ranks of the Society yesterday and was duly installed as its physician in Dr. O'Connell's absence. Four new members were added to the roll.

### REIDS' STEAMER REPORT

The Argyle at St. John's. The Glencoe passed Push-through 7.10 a.m. yesterday, coming East. The Home left Marystown 10 a.m. yesterday, going West. The Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques 7.25 a.m. to-day; 45 passengers, 15 first, 30 second; no freight. The Sagena to leave Louisburg this a.m.

### OFFICIAL

Evacuation Which Was Carried out Under Cover of Darkness Has Enabled the French to Straighten Their Lines—Violent Attack by Germans Could Not Shake the French—Considerable Fighting Between Russians and Turks in Black Sea—Artillery of Both Sides Active Along Austro-Italian Front

LONDON, April 10.—The Bethincourt salient, which for weeks had projected like a wedge into the German lines north-west of Verdun, has been evacuated by the French. The evacuation was carried out under cover of darkness. The French, through this move, have been enabled to straighten out their line, which now runs from the corner of Avocourt Woods, south, crossing the Bethincourt-Esnes and Bethincourt-Chattancourt roads. Violent attack delivered by the Germans against the new positions, found the French unwavering.

The offensive by the Russians against the Germans in north-west Russia, has simmered down to mutual bombardments, and bombing attacks by German and Russian aviators. Artillery actions in the Lake Neroz region continue, and an infantry attack by the Germans here was repulsed by Russian fire.

Considerable fighting between the Turks and Russians has taken place in the Black Sea, with the Turks as aggressors. Three attacks against the Russian entrenchments on the right bank of the Karadere River were without result. The Russians are pushing their advance against the Ottomans in the Upper Torchoruk River region.

Along the entire Austro-Italian front, artillery of both sides has been active.

An unofficial despatch from Salonika reports the exchange of shots between German and French cavalry on the Macedonian front, and the shelling, without effect, of French trenches by the Germans in the region of Gievgeil and Dolran.

### JEWELLERY BEING SOLD CHEAPLY.

We hear that for some time past Jewellery of a very costly nature has been taken about the city by certain parties for sale. In most cases it was offered at a sacrifice and people who were asked to buy wonder how it came to be in the possession of the vendors. Of course they may have secured it honestly enough, but people necessarily fight shy of buying costly goods in such a way.

### DR. THOMAS DEAD

Dr. Thomas of Valleyfield, who came up here on the S.S. Eagle and died there Saturday of Bright's disease.

### Saving Labor.

"This agricultural journal states that apple trees ought to be planted on a slope."  
"What's the idea?"  
"So when the apples ripen and drop off they will roll down to the farmer's doorstep, I suppose."

### After Dark

Miss Angelina (to Capt. Brown who has been cruising in Alaskan waters)—I suppose Captain that in these northern latitudes during a part of the year the sun doesn't set till quite a while after dark.

### Pedestrian at Fault.

First Chauffeur—"How did you come to hit the man—Were you going too fast?"  
Second Chauffeur—"Certainly not—he was running too slow."

### WHY HE SMOOKS

James (who is broke)—"I have one faithful friend left."  
Hunks (also broke)—"Who is it?"  
James—"My pipe, I can still draw on that."

As a real weather prophet the first spring robin can give the groundhog spades and cards.

## Sealing Stores.

For Sale by Public Auction on TUESDAY next, 11th inst., at 11 o'clock, on the wharf of Messrs. Job Brothers & Co. Limited, North Side, the following Stores lander from S.S. "NEPTUNE":—

30 Barrels FLOUR.	33 Brls. PORK & BEEF.
100 1/2 Bags BREAD.	3 1/2 Puns. MOLASSES.
3 1/2 Sacks PEAS.	20 Tubs BUTTER.
14 Sacks BEANS.	9 Boxes BUTTER.
7 Sacks POTATOES.	1 1/2 Bbls. SUGAR.
2 Chests TEA.	6 Qtls. CODFISH.

And Sundry Small Stores.

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