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PHILADELPHIA BRAVES THE SUBMARINE DANGER

First American Liner to Make Eastbound Voyage LEFT LIVERPOOL WEDNESDAY

Ninety-five Passengers Including 38 Americans—Had to Sign Waiver of Damages in Case of Disaster—Express Freight and Despatches

New York, Feb. 16.—The Associated Press this morning carries the following cablegram: Liverpool, Feb. 15.—The Philadelphia, the first American liner to leave Europe since Germany's declaration of submarine warfare, sailed from here late Wednesday afternoon...

The Philadelphia was unarmed, carrying neither a mounted nor an unmounted gun. In addition to her passengers she carried a general cargo of what is known as express freight and two tons of despatches from the American embassy in London for the state department at Washington.

The despatch bags contained important documents forwarded from American embassies and consulates in nearly all the countries of Europe, including a large quantity for Germany, which was despatched before the break in diplomatic relations.

A jolly and good natured crowd waved farewell from the Philadelphia's deck to anxious friends as the ship left the dock.

Waive Damage Claims Prior to embarking, the passengers had discussed the prospect of the liner being attacked by a submarine, but most of them treated it lightly.

Most of the passengers comforted themselves with the belief that Germany, in spite of threats to torpedo anything in the prescribed war zone, would not go to the length of sinking an American passenger liner.

Even the London daily newspapers tied in vain to procure permission for staff men to make the voyage. The editors of these papers engaged the services of themselves with engaging the few American newspaper men on board to send them stories in the event of disaster befalling the ship.

London, Feb. 16.—Lloyd's announces that the British steamer Longsard, 2,777 tons, the sailing vessel Percy Roy, 110 tons, a trawler and the British steamer Greenland of 1,788 tons had been sunk.

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SOME SHIPS TO SAIL VERY SOON FROM NEW YORK

This Follows Arrangement For Examination At Halifax

Dutch and Scandinavian Steamships Get Ready But No Indications Yet of American Passenger Carriers Following Example

New York, Feb. 16.—The Associated Press this morning carries the following cablegram: The British Admiralty's decision to permit neutral vessels sailing from American ports for Europe to undergo examination at Halifax instead of at Kirkcubright today to the congested cargo situation at New York.

The Dutch and Scandinavian lines, which have held in this port account of the submarine blockade made it is expected that several will get away before the end of the week.

By stopping for examination at Halifax vessels bound for Holland and the Scandinavian countries will be able to skirt the northern boundary of the blockade waters announced in the German proclamation.

While ships of the American registry have the same privilege, there is no indication today that their owners would follow the example of the Dutch and Scandinavian lines and send their vessels to sea.

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At a meeting of the council last night estimates for 1917 totalling \$223,180.90 were ratified.

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—From John Bull.

Last Day Rush To Bring Out Every Shilling For British War Loan

London, Feb. 16.—A tremendous effort will be made throughout Great Britain today, the last day for subscriptions to the British war loan to bring in every available shilling.

NO HEAT IN HAMBURG CHURCHES; SCHOOLS AND THEATRES ALL CLOSED

London, Feb. 16.—Churches in Hamburg will not be heated after February 17, according to a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co., via Rotterdam.

SWEDEN ARE CONSERVING THE SUPPLY OF FOOD

London, Feb. 16.—A Stockholm despatch to Reuters says that the Swedish government has decided to take possession of all stocks of barley, oats and cereal products.

FRENCH DELEGATION TO RETURN ITALIAN VISIT

Paris, Feb. 16.—A parliamentary delegation will go to Rome on Friday to return a visit paid by the Italian deputies to Paris and London in 1916.

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