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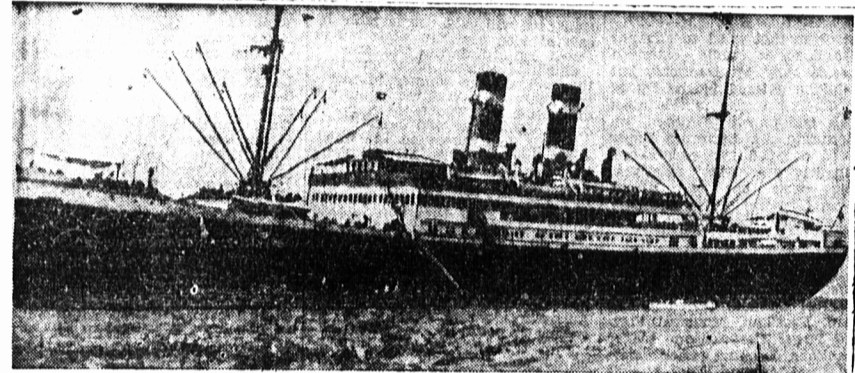
Passengers and crew members who survived the mine-sinking of the Dutch liner *Simon Bolivar* in the North Sea, read and play cards in Bartholomew Hospital Harwich, Eng. Some of the estimated 260 survivors were taken to London hospitals.



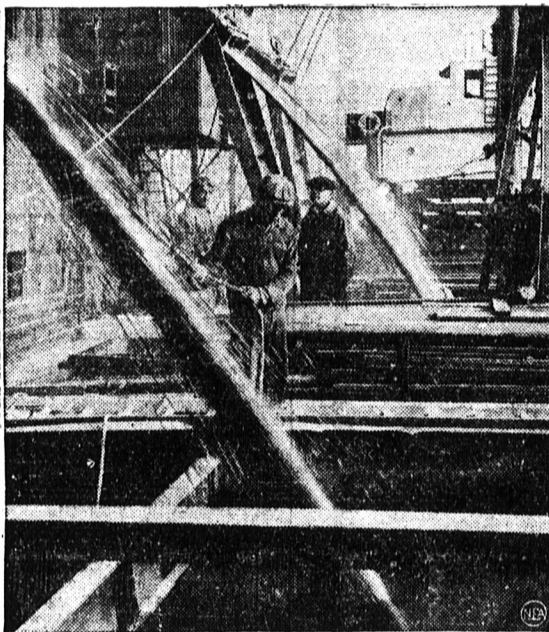
In tribute to the Czechs who died in the recent Prague disorders, the Czechoslovakian flag at the legation in Washington is lowered to half-mast by Czech Minister Vladimir Hurban.



The Empire conferences going on in London at present have moved many speakers to discuss the united harmonious front that rose when Hitler challenged the Mother Country. Above is a happy example of it. A few days ago the Dominion representatives were entertained at luncheon in the Guildhall by the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Frank Bower. Here he is seen, centre, in a happy mood with Hon. T. A. Crerar, Canadian Minister of Mines and Resources, left, and Hon. Vincent Massey, Canada's High Commissioner in London.



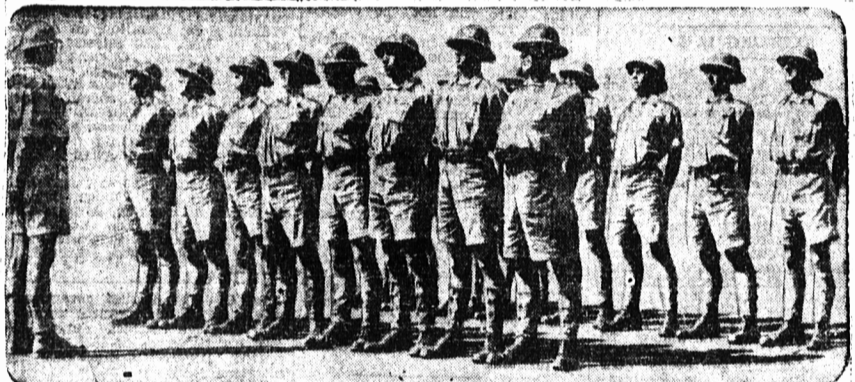
Blasted by a mine explosion as she attempted to aid two other mine-damaged ships, the 7906-ton Dutch liner, *Simon Bolivar*, above, sank in the North Sea with a loss of life estimated at 140. The loss was one of the worst merchant shipping disasters of the war.



Soy beans, for transformation into nitroglycerine for the war in Europe, are loaded into a Great Lakes freighter from a Chicago elevator to be taken to Canada. War demands have helped break all export records for the beans.



The heir to the Netherlands throne is seen presiding at a committee meeting of the Red Cross Society of Holland in which she is an active worker. All over the world the International Red Cross has brought both to belligerent countries and to neutrals. The Canadian Red Cross is asking for \$30,000,000.



Intensive training is being undergone by members of South Africa's Special Service Battalion, which is now being increased to two brigades. The photo shows a number of the new soldiers in a recent parade.



Warren Bell of Midland, Ont., and his bride, the former Gertrude Small, of Toronto daughter of the late Ambrose J. Small, Toronto Theatre magnate, whose disappearance some years ago was an unsolved mystery, were drowned in Georgian Bay, when their automobile left the road and plunged into the Nottawasaga River. They were driving from Stayner, where they were married. The bodies were recovered.



Life must go on—even after a war—and these pictures, released by Nazi censor, show how Poles are beating back to normal—under German supervision. Top, left, a helmeted German soldier keeps a watchful eye on the ticket-taker in a Posen rail way station. At right, under German overseers, Polish prisoners rebuild a blasted road. At bottom, Posen factory women paint new signs for streets that now bear German names.



Following a snooting "incident" involving civilians at Blerick, Holland has canceled all army leaves and made final plans for possible invasion. Map shows where German troops are concentrated and Dutch areas to be inundated if Germans march.



Hungarian soldiers are now "wired for sound" during gas attacks. This new-type mask includes a microphone which enables wearers to converse.



Bruce Bairnsfather, famous cartoonist of the first Great War, is back in action, and above is one of his telling posters which is making its appearance in England, designed to impress on both troops and civilians the necessity of guarding against unthinking revelation of information which might be of value to the enemy. "Old Bill," the famous Bairnsfather character of the last war, is easily recognized, and Bill, as can be seen, now has a son old enough for army service.