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UNITED STATES NOW READY FOR ACTION

Naval Militia Mobilized. Government Awaits Overt Act on Part of Germany Before Plunging Country into War Act Probably Furnished in Killing of American Citizen During Shelling of Ship Yesterday Off Irish Coast.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The situation remains unchanged. The government is rapidly mobilizing both army and navy and preparing for the worst. Evidence is now clear that before Bernstorff delivered his submarine note last week, German officers destroyed the machinery of thirty large ocean liners interned on the Atlantic coast.

Switzerland has declined to follow the U. S. lead so far as severing diplomatic relations is concerned and says it wishes to remain neutral. Spain, however, is apparently taking stronger ground and has notified Germany that she will not abide by the submarine restrictions of commerce.

ACT OF WAR ON PART OF GERMANY. AMERICAN CITIZEN KILLED.

(Special to the Guardian.) WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—An official report of the sinking of the steamer Evestone and the killing of an American seaman reached the State Department today from Consul Frost at Queenstown. The ship was a provisional British collier. Consul Frost's message said: "The provisional British collier Evestone, was sunk by shellfire from a German submarine in the vicinity of Fastnet yesterday, Feb. 4. An American negro, able seaman Richard Wallace of Baltimore, was killed during the shelling of the boat after she had just left Evestone. Details are not yet available."

NAVAL MILITIA PREPARE FOR ACTION.

(Special to the Guardian.) PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 6.—Orders were received here by phone from Washington last night instructing members of the naval militia to prepare for action with expectation of going into service on Saturday night. Two divisions are already organized and officers were instructed to form as many divisions of full strength as possible.

U. S. TAKES CHARGE OF WIRELESS STATION.

(Special to the Guardian.) TUCKERTON, N. J., Feb. 6.—With the arrival here last night of a squad of marines from the Philadelphia navy yard, the United States government assumed charge of the Tucker wireless station and removed its German operators. Major, a German army officer in charge of the plant, with half a dozen employees left the station. The operation of the plant which is the only sending station working direct with Germany in this country, will be continued under direction of United States officials. American naval officers have been on duty at the plant since the outbreak of the war to see that the neutrality of the United States was preserved.

CH'TOWN CASUALTY

Mr. James Paton, M. L. A., received the following telegram yesterday regarding an enquiry sent by him about a missing soldier: "Referring to Headquarters telegram of 26/1, a cable received from England states that Private Adolphus Gauthier, this soldier now reported killed in action, September 18th. Unit responsible for delay in notification, O. I. C. Record Office."

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PARLIAMENT ADJOURNS TO-DAY TO MEET AGAIN ON APRIL 19TH

Discussion on Care of Canadian Wounded in Overseas Hospitals Elicits Spirited Discussion. Lanctot, Liberal Called it "Folly" to Send 300,000 Men Overseas as England has Enough Men at Front E. M. McDonald Quoted Bruce Report, Which had Never Been Submitted to Parliament, to Show Lack of System in Care of Wounded. Absurdity of this Criticism Pointed Out by Premier Borden

(From our own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 6.—A discussion of the care of Canadian wounded in overseas hospitals and of the Bruce and Baple reports thereon occupied the attention of Parliament today. The discussion arose apropos of the \$500,000,000 war appropriation resolution which is the last matter of importance to be discussed before adjournment. The House will adjourn tomorrow and will meet again on April 19th. After a speech in which Mr. Roch Lanctot, of La Prairie, Naperville, Liberal, stated that it was "folly" to send 300,000 men from Canada to fight in France in view of the fact that England had enough men for service at the front.

Mr. E. M. McDonald criticized the Canadian overseas hospital administration, stating the Bruce report had indicated an absolute lack of control of the medical inspection of recruits and lack of system in the care of Canadian wounded. Sir Robert Borden pointed out the absurdity of Mr. McDonald's remarks based on a report not yet presented to Parliament. The Prime Minister stated that during his last trip to England he had visited a number of British and Canadian hospitals and had found them well conducted in every respect.

Sir Sam Hughes then contributed to the fervor of the debate with a warm speech in criticism of the policy of distributing the Canadian wounded. Sir Sam stated that, profiting by experience at Valcartier, where one contractor had been found to have made \$33,000 profit in three weeks, he had instituted the regimental dry canteen system in Canada and desired to follow suit in England. But in 1914 when he had gone to the old country he had been told that this mat-

ter was in General Alderson's hands alone. General Alderson had told the Canadian soldiers he was going to make free men of them with the wet canteen. Hon. Charles Maclellan interjected an inquiry as to the issuing of rum to the troops in the trenches as a daily ration. Many people in Montreal were objecting to their sons running such risks.

Sir Robert Borden said he had never heard that rum was given to them before going into action. It was merely a medicine. Sir Sam confirmed this with the statement that rum was allowed in the front line trenches as a stimulant for troops who often had to stand waist deep in cold water. Sir Sam said he took a second rank to no man as a temperance advocate, but he did not want to hear any nonsense talked against this practice. The ex-Minister then went on to discuss the matter of Canadian hospital accommodation in England. "My objection to the scattering of Canadian wounded is this," he stated, "I cannot see why we should leave our men in V. A. D. hospitals provided over by women, charming women, I will frankly grant you, the dearest little girls in the world when it comes to smoothing brows and holding hands, but with a total hospital training of some 5 or 6 weeks in some St. John's ambulance association, while on the other hand British soldiers get the services of our own highly trained and highly paid Canadian nurses."

Sir Sam said that Dr. Bruce had objected to soldiers being kept in these hospitals when they should have been back in the trenches. One V. A. D. hospital for instance, had a healthy baseball team and when it was known that Dr. Bruce was to investigate such conditions, General Jones

had been able to ransack some seven hundred men from these hospitals and send them to convalescent homes where they belonged. Sir Sam said the system he had instituted had been designed to keep Canadian convalescents together so that when they were fit to go back to the trenches they could be sent back. There were hundreds of men roaming around England. "I do not wish to reflect on General Jones but if an agitation is going to be carried on as it has been carried on by some of these hangers on the outside edge of London society the facts will have to come out."

Hon. Joseph Lemieux, asked whether Sir Sam had received letters from Lady Drummond in regard to hospital affairs. "Yes, but I am not aware that Lady Drummond has been chartered to run Canadian hospitals, or Sir William Osler or any others hanging on the edge of London society."

Returning to his subject, Sir Sam said he did not wish to attack General Jones but the latter had shown no system in his administration. "Why these V. A. D. hospitals were labelled; they were ticketed, Matrimonial Bureau No. 1 or Matrimonial Bureau No. 2 by those who had the task of sending the wounded there," said General Hughes. "As a result we are today paying separation allowances to scores of girls who picked up with our Canadian boys through all this brow-rubbing and hand-holding have talked about. I have no objection to that, but I want our good Canadian girls to get the preference." (Cheers.) Mr. Joseph H. Rainville, member for Chambly-Vercheres, who has been appointed Chairman of Committee of the whole House, and Deputy Speaker, was interviewed for the first time today.

BRITAIN'S ANSWER TO GERMAN SUB POLICY

"A Blow Between the Eyes That Will Beat the Enemy Down and Bring Him to His Senses."

(Special to the Guardian.) LONDON, Feb. 6.—Arthur Neville Chamberlain, Director-General of the British National Service, in outlining a scheme for national service today said "let nobody suppose that because Count Bernstorff has been given his passport there is nothing else to do. Germany intends to starve us. Our answer must be a blow straight between the eyes which will beat the enemy down and bring him to his senses."

MANY INJURED IN TRAIN WRECK

(Special to the Guardian.) WALNUT, Iowa, Feb. 6.—Two score persons were injured, three probably fatally, when the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific train westbound from Chicago to Denver, was wrecked two miles east last night. They were taken to the hospital at Atlantic, Iowa, today. The train was rounding a curve at 45 miles an hour, when the rails spread and five coaches were hurled down a ten foot embankment into a ditch.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Nothing is yet known regarding the fate of the crew of the Belgian relief steamer 'Lars Kruse' which was sunk by a torpedo mine near the Belgian coast yesterday. The ship touched at Las Palmas on January 29th and in ordinary course would have made some British port before arriving at Rotterdam where she was due about Feb. 1. The Lars Kruse carried the flag of the Belgian Relief Committee and was marked as arranged by the commission with the German government. It had not received safe conduct from Germany as such passports had been refused relief ships by Berlin.

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CREW OF TORPEDOED SPANISH STEAMER 46 HOURS ADRIFT

Two Died of Exposure While Others Had Hands and Feet Frozen and are in Grave Condition.

(Special to the Guardian.) BREST, Feb. 6.—The Capt. and twelve men of the Spanish steamer, 'Algeciras', which was sunk by a submarine, have been landed here by a steam trawler. They were adrift 46 hours before being rescued and two sailors died as a result of their privations soon after being taken aboard the trawler. Other refugees had their hands and feet frozen and are in the seaman's hospital. Several of them are in a grave condition.

GO TH IN HIS NAKED SAVAGERY

CARNARVON, Wales, Feb. 6.—Four thousand of Premier Lloyd George's constituents from five little boroughs in the northwest corner of Wales flocked to Carnarvon today to listen to his accounting in his stewardship. "Owing to the discovery of the recent plot against the Premier's life extraordinary precautions were taken to protect him. In his address Mr. Lloyd George said the coming imperial conference would consider the question of the disposal of the German colonies which have been captured by the Entente Allies. "Peace without victory would mean peace but a rest for the Central Powers with time to recuperate." Mr. Lloyd George said. "Peace would come in 1917," said the Premier, "if Great Britain's enemies knew that by holding out until 1918 they would be worse off, not better."

The Premier said he never had any doubts as to ultimate victory. "There is much in the military situation," he

CH'TOWN DELEGATES OFF TO OTTAWA

To Confer with Ministers and Island Representatives Re Munitions and Car Works in Charlottetown.

A delegation of leading citizens waited on Premier Matheson yesterday respecting the introduction of the manufacture of munitions in Charlottetown, and the re-starting of the Government Railway car shops with a view to securing employment for artisans and laborers in this province. As the result of the exchange of views Premier Matheson arranged for a delegation to proceed at once to Ottawa on the subject, and it left by last night's express. The members of the delegation are: Mr. James Paton, M. L. A., representing the city and legislature; Mr. Bruce Stewart and Mr. Andrew McNair, representing Messrs. Bruce Stewart & Co. Ltd., and Mr. John O. Hyndman, representing the Bruce Stewart & Co. Ltd. Mr. Board of Trade and Mr. W. H. Tidmarsh, representing certain financial interests.

The Premier made arrangements by telegraph with the Senators and members representing the province, together with Sir Charles Dalton and the Hon. John A. Macdonald, to meet the delegation upon their arrival in Ottawa. Meanwhile the Island representatives have arranged with the different ministers and officials to receive the delegation.

Mr. Paton telegraphed the Minister of Trade yesterday as follows:—"Since my letter the Board of Trade of Charlottetown and other interests have organized delegation to wait upon you in Ottawa respecting operation of car shops here to provide work for artisans and laboring men. I am requested to accompany delegation as representative of Charlottetown in Legislature. Trust you may arrange to meet us ninth or tenth instant.—James Paton."

continued, "which must necessarily cause anxiety." In regard to Germany's new sea policy, the Premier said: "Germany must stand revealed even to the most indulgent neutral, as a Goth in all his naked savagery."

WHOLESALE SMASHUP BY GERMAN OFFICERS

Before Bernstorff Delivered His Note to Wilson the Engines of all German and Austrian Interned Ships, Valued at \$30,000,000 Were Destroyed.

(Special to the Guardian.)

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—According to the Sun this morning the engines in every German and Austrian ship imprisoned in New York harbor by the British navy have been deliberately wrecked. Officers of German blood who know the truth estimate that thirty million dollars worth of irreplaceable marine machinery was smashed or made useless in a few hours before

Count Von Bernstorff delivered to the government of the U. S. the definite message from Germany. Sabotage on a scale so extensive is without parallel in history. Without the slightest hesitation at on a mere hint from higher official whose hints are never slighted, persons in authority delivered to the sea and crowbar the finest products of the marine machine shops of Hamburg and Bremen.

LATEST WAR NEWS

GERMAN RAIDS REPULSED.

(Special to the Guardian.) PARIS, Feb. 6.—Two German raids last night on the Verdun front, at Louvemont and Eparges, gained no success, the war office reports. An attack on the French trenches near Paroy Forest, reached the first line but the Germans were ejected immediately by a counter attack. In the region of Aspach in Alsace three French reconnoitering parties pene-

trated German lines destroying the shelters and returning without losses.

BRITISH OFFENSIVE ON TIGRIS SUCCESSFUL.

(Special to The Guardian.) LONDON, Feb. 6.—The British offensive on the Tigris front made further important gains. The enemy evacuated the whole south bank of the Tigris, east of the Hai.

HOLLAND PROTESTS AGAINST HUN POLICY

(Special to the Guardian.) THE HAGUE, VIA LONDON, Feb. 6.—It is known that Holland has protested strongly against Germany's decree of unrestricted submarine warfare but the press is silent as to the government's action. The foreign office refused to give any details as to the course adopted by the administration. The Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant, of Amsterdam says that several ship owners have received the following telegram from the Hague: "The naval staff announces that the German admiralty has informed them that Dutch ships which had already left north America on February 1 for an English port would be allowed to pass thereto but cannot leave these ports without risk." The Courant adds that as the telegram was not clear some of the ship owners had gone to the Hague to seek explanations.

SPAIN PROTESTS TO GERMANY

(Special to The Guardian.) MADRID, Feb. 6.—Spain made a formal protest to Germany against the unlimited submarine campaign inaugurated Feb. 1, in a note handed to the German American Ambassador here today. The action in sending a note of protest precludes an immediate break of relations between Spain and Germany. It is stated, however, that the note declines to suspend Spanish shipping so that the danger of an overt act by Germany will be continually present.

U.S. OFFICIALS ADMIT GERMAN IMMIGRANTS

(Special to the Guardian.) NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Immigration officials at Ellis Island today continued the examination of German seamen from German merchant ships in this port who sought permission to enter the country as immigrants. Eighteen members of the crews were allowed to enter yesterday.

THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, Feb. 6 Fresh to strong westerly winds; fair and moderately cold. The highest temperature yesterday was 28 degrees above. At 9 a. m. it was 15 above; at 9 p. m. it was 17 above. The coldest the previous night was 15 above. The tide will be high this morning at 11.40 and tomorrow at 12.14; it will be high tonight at 11.06 and tomorrow at 11.51. The sun sets this afternoon at 5.34 and tomorrow at 5.35; it rises tomorrow morning at 7.29 and Friday at 7.27. The moon rises this evening at 6.24. There was a full moon on Tuesday, Feb. 6th at 10.25 p. m. The last quarter of the moon will be on Wednesday, Feb. 14th at 8.53 p. m. The length of today will be ten hours and four minutes. Minard's Liniment cures Distemper.

BRITISH STEAMER SUNK.

(Special to the Guardian.) LONDON, Feb. 6.—Lloyd's report that the British steamer port Adelaide, carrying passengers has been sunk. Ninety of the passengers and crew have been picked up at sea.

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