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AMSTERDAM.—Dr. Ludwig Darmstaedter, a German who has resided in the United States, recently delivered a lecture in Berlin, which from the report in the Deutsches Tages Zeitung, apart from personal abuse of former President Roosevelt and Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, was mainly an apology for the inaction on behalf of the Fatherland of German-Americans. The lecturer said that he regretted deeply that Germany had done so little to keep up family ties overseas, especially for the failure to assist German educational institutions. Dr. Darmstaedter also upbraided

the German government for past mistakes, the greatest of which, he said, was the promising of American territory to Mexico, which, he said, had made the Texas farmer prefer to fight Germany rather than to become Mexican.
"It is mainly true that the Yankees are idiots, but much depends on who says so," the doctor said.
After the war fever has abated, he declared, Americans will admit freely that it was wrong to enter the war. This evidently was too much for the editor of the Tages Zeitung, who printed a question mark after it.
THE ICE AND BAIT REPORT
QUEENSPORT, May 1.—Herring scarce today, no keel in bay.



A Personal Letter:
We seldom if ever speak about the credit end of our business. Credit is a good thing. The only evil is in its abuse, and we propose so far as we are concerned to stop the abuse. Our business year ends May 1st, and we are now making a complete survey of all accounts on our books, at the same time making some radical changes in this Department. The greater number of our customers pay their bills promptly. A few do not. The accounts of those who do not will be closed and placed by themselves for collection. Remember if you are a regular customer, and paying promptly, you will receive the same generous treatment as heretofore; or if you are not already one, and desire to open a charge acct. furnishing satisfactory references, we shall be pleased to have your business.
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AMERICANS TO RUSH CONSTRUCTION OF STEEL AND WOODEN VESSELS

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
WASHINGTON, Ministers of British and French war commissions will take up shipping problems with the shipping board immediately, it was said today.
This question is one of the most serious faced by the Allied governments, and is one that has given the United States government great concern in planning for transporting and supplying American troops abroad, in the event an American army eventually is put on the firing line.
It is believed the commissions will work out with the American government some definite plan of apportionment of cargoes among the Allies, so that each will be assured of sufficient supplies. A balance, too will have to be arranged for the classes of supplies sent abroad that food and munitions may be furnished in proper proportions. The administration, within a few days, will have introduced in Congress legislation to give the President and the shipping board a firmer grasp of the nations shipping so that cargoes may be directed best to serve the country in interest. America faces the task of feeding the world and through the shipping bill and the export embargo bill, pending in Congress, the United States government will be in a position to determine the amount of exports and the direction they shall take.
The shipping boards' wooden ship-building campaign continues to meet encouraging response throughout the country, it was said today.
Construction already is starting in many yards and many new yards will be built. To stimulate steel shipbuilding, the board will let contracts for steel construction as well as wood, chartering the ships to private business concerns for service in transporting supplies to Europe. The country will complete its first wooden ship in about six months. After that time they will be turned out with ever-increasing rapidity, and the hope of the administration is that they may be built fast enough to overcome the German undersea warfare.

THE GERMAN IDEA.

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, (via London). From a Staff correspondent of the Associated Press.—There is an interesting report current here that Field Marshal Von Hindenburg came to the German positions opposite the British lines on the Aisne, just after the Easter Monday attack, and was much wrought up over the conditions which he found there. The Field Marshal is said to have been particularly annoyed by the German withdrawal from Lens, which then was under way; commanded that it be stopped, and issued orders that there be no further retreat until he personally gave the word.
This statement seemed to coincide with the sudden stiffening German resistance about Lens, when it looked more than ten days ago that the city would likely be given up within a few hours. The fires lighted in Lens two weeks ago still are burning, and it seems thence will be little left intact by the time the Germans are finally driven out.
The British continue daily to take many prisoners, all of whom continue to profess an absolute faith that the submarine warfare will bring victory to German arms. Some of them also are confident that Russia will make a separate peace. It is evident that the German higher command is assiduously cultivating these ideas, in order to keep up the morale of the troops. The prisoners also appear to be convinced that Field Marshal Von Hindenburg is or was preparing a great offensive on the Western Front.
Whether due to a shortage of their own cannon or not, it has been recently discovered that the Germans still are using on this front guns captured from the Russians more than two years ago. These guns will not stand a rapid fire, however, and are good only for five or six rounds a day.

ISLAND SOLDIER IN HOSPITAL.

The following letter was received by Mrs. A. McRae of Mt. Vernon from her son:
England, April 7, 1917.
Dear Mother—Just a few lines to let you know I am getting along fine in hopes to find you well. Dear Mother I guess you have got word before now that I am wounded, I am now in the Hospital in England and my wound is getting all right and I will soon be out again, but I will stay here as long as I can. The bullet wound is in my right knee, right in the joint. I was out on a working party when I was wounded and was coming out of the trenches for six days rest. We call it a rest but they have us working all the same. We were working in the trenches handy the front line cleaning out the mud, there was a few more of the boys in the trench but I was with the rest on top of the trench when wounded, it was foggy in the morning, but we were working away not thinking of danger at the time, when the fog suddenly cleared off and I guess the Germans saw us there for there was one more wounded besides me at that time. I was just going to put a chew of the good old P. B. Island twist in my mouth when the mean old German gave me a good taste of his bullet. It was very painful at first, but I have the best of care. I was out of my chew of tobacco that time all right and I don't know yet where my leg of tobacco went to. I will call myself lucky if the trenches are dry when I go back there for we are in mud to our knees here.
I made my third trip to the trenches and I wish I was going home now, but I can't get my wish yet. I hope God will help you to bear all your troubles so don't worry mother for we may come back yet and God knows best. With the best of luck, try and write often, from your loving son,
JACK.
No. 712408.
P. J. A. McRae, 1412 Royal Victoria Hospital, Lancaster, England.

RUSSIA TO MAKE NEW STATEMENT

PETROGRAD, via London, April 28.—The provisional government is preparing a note which it proposes to send shortly to the Allied Powers in which it will explain, in a more detailed manner, its standpoint in regard to the problems and aims of the present war. The declaration, it is said will be in addition to that already made by the provisional government on the subject.
In the previous declaration of the provisional government, on April 10, it was said that free Russia did not aim at the domination of other nations, or the forcible occupation of foreign territory. Its object, it was declared, was "to establish a durable peace on the rights of nations to decide their own destinies," and that it would safeguard the rights of the fatherland, while observing the engagements entered into with Russia's allies.

WANT MORE FACTS ABOUT SUBMARINES

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
NEW YORK, An Associated Press cable from London says:
"A vigorous attempt made in the House of Commons yesterday failed to persuade the government to adopt a policy of greater publicity with regard to the submarine warfare. The only satisfaction critics of the government were able to obtain was a promise that the matter would be discussed in secret session."
"Some of the members of the House raised the question of accuracy of the tonnage sunk," as quoted by Dr. Karl Helfferich, the German Minister of the Interior, but no reply was given them. When invited to give figures of the arrivals and departures from English ports of British vessels of over 1,500 tons, Thomas J. MacNamara, financial secretary of the Admiralty, said he could only reply that the present system of publishing the weekly returns had been agreed upon between the Allied countries, the inference being that no modification in this system was contemplated. Sir Edward Carson declined to give any information concerning the sinking of German submarines.
In the meantime agitation by the press and the public is daily growing in volume. Sir W. B. Forwood, a shipping authority, says ships are now being launched in British yards not exceeding one-fourth of the British vessels sunk. Denials are being made in the Admiralty quarters that the government should "even think" merchants' tonnage in government yards rather than warships, taking the ground that, especially with the aid of the American navy, the British navy is fully adequate to the requirements while the replacement of sunk tonnage is a dire necessity. The Admiralty is a dire necessity a problem a loud demand is being made for younger blood at the Admiralty, this being heightened by the announcement of Captain W. Belaire in the House of Commons on Saturday that he would make a motion calling on the cabinet to adopt for the war office having a separate staff for the conduct of the war, free from administrative work and the placing of command of the fleet squadrons, patrol areas and naval bases in the hands of selected officers in the prime of life. It is understood that Premier Lloyd George is giving these questions his personal attention and it is not unlikely some interesting announcement will be made when the Admiralty estimates come up for discussion in the House of Commons shortly.
Within recent days several captains have been promoted to Rear Admirals and immediately retired, the object being to allow younger officers to come to the front.

GERMANS CLAIM A FRENCH ATTACK FAILED.

BERLIN.—Via London.—A French attack with fresh divisions failed yesterday between Proseles and Aubert, says the official statement issued today by the German army headquarters staff. The Germans in this area, it is added, hold complete possession of their positions. On the western front yesterday 25 British and French airplanes and five balloons were forced down.

HUSBAND OBJECTS TO OPERATION

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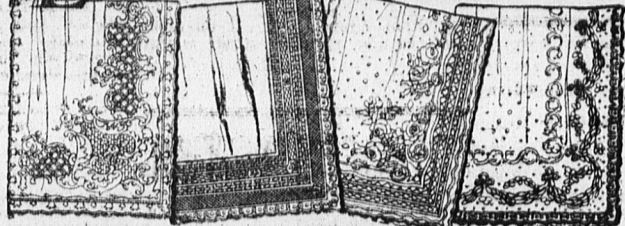
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