

# GREAT BRITAIN EXTENDS HER BLOCKADE OF PORTS TO COAST OF BULGARIA

## This Is Downing Street's Reply To German Threat To Destroy Shipping, France Joining Ally In Retaliation: Berlin Plans To Deport 5,000,000 Teutons To Save Food

LONDON, February 18.—Great Britain, on the eve of the day upon which Germany has said she would start her submarine blockade of her shores and those of France, unless the British naval embargo on the entry of food stuff into Germany and Austria for the use of the civil population shall be declared as ended, responds to the German threat by a still closer blockade of every avenue of food supply that has heretofore remained open.

### BLOCKADE EXTENDS TO BULGARIAN PORTS

In addition to the closing of the North Sea to food ships and the closing of the Adriatic, a close blockade has now been inaugurated of the Bulgarian port of Dedeagach, on the Aegean, the only open port through which supplies could reach Austria and Germany.

### SHIPPING AGENCIES ARE ACTIVE IN LONDON

"Business as Usual" is the sign displayed in practically every shipping office, while confidence among the shippers has been further increased by the announcement that the British board of trade has completed arrangements whereby compensation will be paid to all persons aboard British merchantmen who may be injured owing to the hostilities, while a sufficient pension will be paid to the dependent relative of any merchantman employee who may lose his life as a result of the success of any German submarine against his ship.

### WORK OF NAVY EFFICIENT

Whatever sacrifices may be required to keep tight the doors against Germany and to help end the war by the creation of internal distress in Germany and Austria are to be made. The various expeditions sent out from Germany to the neutral nations to justify her use of submarines against unarmed shipping and to ensure in advance any error that may be made in the flag attacks of the underwater craft in the waters of the "war zone," are all regarded here as evidence of the value being rendered in the war by the British navy and as indications of the strain being put upon both Germany and Austria in the continuation of the war.

### TO REDUCE POPULATION

The German reports are strengthened by one which comes by way of Copenhagen, which states that it is learned there that five million of the German population, who are not eligible for use in the army or navy or for any military purposes, but who are able to support themselves abroad, are to be ordered by the German government to proceed to neutral countries, there to remain until the end of the war, and by thus leaving the country to decrease the consumption of the food supply. These millions, if the plan is carried out as reported, will go to Holland and to Scandinavia.

### KAISER WILL COMMAND

It is further reported from Hamburg, by way of Copenhagen, that Kaiser Wilhelm is now returning from the East Prussian front in order to proceed to Heligoland, from where he will personally direct the activities of the German submarine raiders.

### A FRENCH LIFER, THE VILLE DE LILLE, WAS SUNK YESTERDAY OFF THE BARRETT LIGHTHOUSE, EAST OF CHARBOROUGH, BY THE GERMAN SUBMARINE U-18, ACCORDING TO AN OFFICIAL DISPATCH FROM PARIS. BEFORE THE STEAMER WAS SUNK THE CREW WAS GIVEN WARNING AND THERE WERE NO LIVES LOST.

### DUTCH CHANGE THEIR FLAG

NEW YORK, February 18.—It is reported here that the Dutch naval authorities have cabled instructions to the agents of the Dutch merchant lines here that the flag of the Netherlands has been changed in its color design in order that there may be no possibility of its being mistaken for the flag of Germany. The Dutch ships sailing from American ports are instructed to use the new flag exclusively.

### GERMAN MERCHANT MARINE FLAG IS BLACK, WHITE AND RED, IN VERTICAL STRIPES. THE DUTCH MERCHANT MARINE FLAG IS RED, WHITE AND DARK BLUE, IN VERTICAL STRIPES. NOW THE DARK BLUE OF THE DUTCH FLAG IS TO BE A LIGHT BLUE, PLAINLY DISTINGUISHABLE FROM THE BLACK OF THE GERMAN ENSIGN.

### VESSEL'S NAME ENLARGED

As a further precaution, to make their identity plain, the liners of the Holland-American Company here are having their names and the names of their home port repainted in letters four feet high, which names will be illuminated by special reflecting lights while the liners are at sea.

### IT IS REPORTED HERE THAT THE BRITISH HAS TAKEN INTO KICKWALL THE SCANDINAVIAN-AMERICAN LINER OSKAR II, BOUGHT FROM NEW YORK TO CHRISTIANS, PRESUMABLY FOR SEARCH. THE AGENTS SAY THAT THE LINER CARRIED ANY CONTRABAND.

### WASHINGTON, February 18.—Although a press report from Berlin yesterday stated that the German reply to the American note of warning sent to Berlin in regard to the danger in which neutral ships were to be from the submarine blockade of the British coast had been delivered to Ambassador Gerard, for transmission to Ameri-

# GERMANY UNABLE TO FEED PEOPLE WITHOUT MART

## Provisions Are Inadequate, Hence Drastic Measures To Bring Britain To Terms

WASHINGTON, February 17.—Admiral Behlcke, in an interview with Commander Walter B. Gherardi, American naval attaché at the United States embassy, Berlin, has explained the situation regarding Germany's proposed submarine war on commerce as follows:

"Up to the present time Germany in the war at sea has followed the London declaration or the stipulations of the Paris treaty, on which conduct of war on sea had been based before the London declaration. In waging this commercial warfare England had in view the subjugation of Germany by starvation. Germany had in every way sought to bring the attention of the neutral powers to the necessity she was under to obtain food for her civil population, which was her right under the laws of war.

### FOOD IS SCARCE

"No results could be obtained from her efforts. Since the shutting off of food had now come to a point where Germany had no longer sufficient food to feed her people, it had become necessary for her to bring England to terms by the exercise of force. Germany knows that by the use of the submarine England can be placed in a position where food will be lacking. She has the submarine force to do it. Her life as a nation and the lives of her people depend upon putting this plan of campaign into action, and she must do so.

### TO PROTECT LIVES

"Difficulties lying in the way of this campaign have been largely connected with the care which it is desired to give to neutral ships and to the lives on board all commercial ships, whether neutral or enemy.

### BRITISH ARE CRITICIZED

"Second, England has advised her merchant fleet to fly the neutral flag, to cover up names and change stack painting to escape the consequences of their nationality. This plan was designed to bring Germany into conflict with other nations.

### SAFEGUARD FOR NEUTRALS

"Commanding officers of submarine boats have been given orders to make every effort to safeguard neutrals. In spite of precautions which a submarine could take without herself being destroyed, it was possible that neutral ships might through error or accident be destroyed. For this reason a strong warning was issued. In addition the British coast is mined by the British themselves for protective reasons, and would be mined by the Germans as a set of offensive warfare. The ships were therefore in danger from mines.

### PROPOSALS COMPROMISED

"In spite of the great effect which the admiralty staff feels that the use of submarines will have in bringing the war to a rapid close, they do not wish to put it into effect to the detriment of neutral commerce and the rights of nations on the high seas. They have therefore stated that if Great Britain will abide by the declaration of London without modification or by the treaty of Paris, whereby the food supplies necessary for the civil population can be freely brought into Germany, the whole matter of the submarine blockade will be dropped by Germany.

### PROPOSAL TRANSMITTED

"This proposal has been transmitted through diplomatic channels. If accepted, the matter is no longer one of provocation of trouble between America and Germany.

Admiral Behlcke called Commander Gherardi's attention to the fact that England, when she by her proclamation closed the North sea, did not give free passage to American ships bound for the neutral country of Holland, but

# TURKEY BATTLES ONLY FOR ISLAM

## Minister of Interior Says Holy War Will Win and Rehabilitation Moslem Government

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
CONSTANTINOPLE, February 18.—Talaat Bey, the Turkish minister of the interior, who holds also the portfolios of finance and marine, in an interview with the Associated Press, stated that his country acted independently, and without pressure from Germany or any outside source, in declaring war and in coming actively out as a foe of Russia. He expressed confidence in the success of the Holy War, in the embarrassment of Turkey's natural foes and in the promotion of the interests of Islam.

Talaat Bey predicted ultimate victory for Germany and Austria and stated his belief that Egypt is to be reclaimed from British domination and is to be a free and sovereign state again. The Turkish chamber of deputies has passed a bill which grants military exemption of all Turkish reservists, trained or untrained, on payment of \$120.

# PURCHASE OF GERMAN SHIPS NOT SUGGESTED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, February 18.—Bernard Baker of Baltimore, president of the Atlantic and Pacific Transport Company, who appeared as a witness before the senate investigation committee, probing the alleged lobbying of the Ship Trust, told the committee that he had never suggested to Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo that the government purchase the interned German vessels along the Atlantic seaboard, because, in his opinion, most of them are unfit for the carrying trade of the United States. He said that the American agent of the Hamburg-American line had received instructions from his principals in Germany not to consider any offers that might be made for the Hamburg-American ships interned.

# GENERAL WOOD URGES MILITARY TRAINING

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
BOSTON, February 17.—Gen. Leonard Wood, U. S. A., former chief of staff, urged that colleges throughout the country support the proposed summer military camps to train army officers for the army in case of emergencies.

# GERMAN AIRSHIP FLIES THOUGH BADLY CRIPPLED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
LONDON, February 17.—A Reuter's Agency dispatch from Amsterdam says an airship, believed to be German, was seen flying over that city badly crippled. It looked as if it had been hit by guns, the dispatch says.

# PLAN FOR PROTECTION

Admiral Behlcke then stated that Germany was prepared to suggest to America an even freer and safer method of passage for American ships bound either through the channel or to English ports, namely, that several American warships should wait in some port in the southwest coast of Ireland, and when communicated with by wireless from an American ship, one of the warships would then go out and convey the American ship through that portion of the sea which Germany, following the example of England, has declared to be dangerous. Of course ships under convoy, by the rules of international law, are not subject to search but the country to which they belong is upon honor, as it were, to see that they do not carry contraband of war.

# WILL RESPECT AMERICANS

American warships have distinctive marks, are well known to the officers of the German navy and either by night or day they and the vessels under their convoy would be respected by the German submarines. This is the safe method to follow for American ships which desire to enter those portions of the sea proclaimed dangerous by Germany, and differ only from the rule adopted by England with reference to American ships passing through the channel, in that American ships, instead of being compelled to enter a British port, take a British pilot and be searched by officers of a British warship, are permitted to pass unmolested to their destination without being subject to search, the imperial German government being, of course, to accept the implied word of honor of the United States that the ships carry no contraband of war.

# UNITED STATES DOES NOT FACE WHEAT FAMINE

## Could Export 123,000,000 Bushels and Still Meet Home Demands Till New Harvest

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
NEW YORK, February 18.—J. H. Heiner, chief statistician of the New York Produce Exchange, in an interview yesterday, said that at the present rate of consumption the United States could export one hundred and twenty-three million bushels of the wheat on hand and still have a sufficient supply to meet home demands until the coming in of the new harvest. He sees no possibility of any shortage of wheat in the United States.

### WHEAT IS PLENTIFUL

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, February 18.—President Wilson, in a letter sent to Mayor Mitchell of New York, acknowledging the receipt of the report of the New York commission which has been investigating the reason for the high cost of food supplies, the report urging upon the President legislation to prevent the application of a ninety-day embargo on the exportation of wheat, says that no danger of a wheat shortage appears to exist.

The president states that a general misunderstanding regarding the country's food supply exists, to correct which a government statement of the actual conditions will be issued at an early date. This statement, the President writes, will reassure the nation.

# KAISER WILL PERSONALLY APOLOGIZE TO WASHINGTON

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
BASEL, Switzerland, February 17.—Berlin reports say the Kaiser will personally apologize to Ambassador Gerard for the hostile demonstrations made by the audience in a Berlin theater attended by Ambassador Gerard.

# PACIFIC MAIL STEAMER IS NOT BADLY DAMAGED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, February 17.—The Pacific Mail liner San Jose, which has arrived at Acapulco, Mexico, disabled, has only minor engine difficulty, which the company says is not serious.

# BERNHARDT REPORTED CONSIDERABLY BETTER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
BORDEAUX, France, February 18.—Bernard von Bernhardt's condition is showing marked improvement. The date of the operation which is considered necessary for her knee is uncertain.

# CHINESE BRANDS SCULLY AS ROBBER

Points Out Men in Court Room Who He Claims Participated in Badger Game

(From Thursday Advertiser.)  
Ah Tim, one of a trio of Chinese who claim he was robbed in a "badger game" in which Jack Scully, Barney Turner, Henry B. Lewis, Jack McGeath and others are alleged to have been the leaders, positively identified Scully in the police court yesterday morning as the man who, after Chung Chan had been covered by revolvers held in the hands of two masked men, walked up to Chung Chan in the residence of Jack McGeath several weeks ago and took a purse out of his pocket containing \$700.

Ah Tim practically corroborated all of the testimony given by Chung Chan, when the case was first heard last week. All efforts on the part of Attorney McBride failed to shake the testimony of the witness.

During the course of the examination, Ah Tim was asked if he could identify the driver of the automobile, which was used on the night the robbery was committed. Ah Tim said that he saw him. The cross examination on other points progressed for some time when Ah Tim saw Henry B. Lewis, who is also under arrest on this robbery charge, entering the court room. Turning suddenly in the witness chair, he shouted:

"There he is. There is the man that drove the car, and that," pointing to Scully, "is the man who robbed Chung Chan while the other two men held the gun."

The sudden outburst created considerable excitement and it was some moments before order could be restored. The case will be continued this morning. There were a large number of spectators in the police court yesterday morning, among whom were Bert Howers, Jack McGrath, Eddie Hunt, Barney Turner and Isidore Schlarli.

# WASHINGTON INTENDS TO PROTECT AMERICAN INTERESTS IN ORIENT

## State Department Receives From Peking Authentic List of Tokio's Demands, Which In Some Ways 'Are Scarcely Compatible With Preservation of Peace in the Orient'

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, February 18.—The state department, upon the receipt from Peking of what is regarded as an authentic list of the demands being made upon China by Japan, is now taking the list under consideration, with a view to studying out the effect, should they be conceded by China, upon the interests of America in the Orient.

### NOT COMPATIBLE WITH AGREEMENT

The state department officials are reticent, but a statement made by one, supposed to be the consensus of departmental opinion, says that "in some ways the demands made by the government of Japan upon the government of China are scarcely compatible with the declared object of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, which is to preserve the peace of the Orient and the territorial integrity of China."

### JAPANESE DEMANDS ARE SWEEPING

The statement of the Japanese demands, as called here from Peking, includes the turning over to Japan of all the German and Austrian concessions in China a pledge that China will not grant in the future concessions to any country except Japan; permission to build a special territorial railroad, and certain mining privileges.

### RACIAL CATASTROPHE IS PREDICTED

BERLIN, February 17.—The German press yesterday devoted leading space to the reported demands of Japan upon China and editorially the news of the demands is commented upon at length. The majority of the writers see further international complications in the situation developing in the Orient.

### LONDON SAYS JAPAN IS JUSTIFIED

(Special Cable to the Nippon Jiji.)  
TOKIO, Japan, February 17.—A press dispatch received here today from London says that the London Times yesterday published an editorial to the effect that Japan is justified in every demand which it has made upon China. The editorial further states that these demands should be granted by the Chinese government.

# AMERICAN TRADE IS NOT HAMPERED

Lord Gray Replies To Washington Protest and Justifies Detention of Ships

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WASHINGTON, February 18.—The full reply of the British foreign office to the American note protesting against the detention of American ships in British ports, where they are taken by British cruisers for search, has been received. The reply is an amplification of the first preliminary note sent by Lord Gray, in which he referred to the discovery of unmanifested contraband in the cargoes of some of the ships seized and drew attention to the American government's trade statistics to disprove the contention made by Secretary Bryan that the American export trade is suffering as a result of the illegitimate interference of the British.

In the full reply, the British foreign office denies that Great Britain is unduly delaying any American ships, or other neutral ships carrying American exports. The searching of the cargoes of the diverted vessels is being performed as expeditiously as the circumstances will allow, the note says. The reply denies, also, that the detention of any ships is causing a falling off in the export trade of the United States. It adds that if the commerce of the United States is in the unfavorable condition charged in the American note, "the cause ought, in fairness, to be sought for elsewhere than in the activities of His Majesty's naval forces."

# FILIPINO WHO RAN AMOCK IS CAPTURED

Appollinaris, a Filipino who ran amuck at Waipahu last Wednesday night and killed a Chinese and wounded five Filipinos in his frenzy, was captured yesterday afternoon at Waiuku by the constables of the Ewa police.

The Filipino was heading toward Waialua, when the officers suddenly came upon him at a turn in the road. After a brief tussle he was handcuffed and brought to the jail at Pearl City. Deputy Sheriff Asch and Sgt. Fred Jackson brought Appollinaris to the city prison where he is held. The Filipino took his arrest coolly and showed no evidence of insanity when brought to the local police station. The knife which he used to perpetrate the bloody deed was in his possession at the time of his arrest.

# TRUBLE AVERTED

That little cold and sore throat of yours must be checked at once or it may develop into something worse. Take a few doses of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and your troubles will soon vanish. For sale by all Dealers, Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for Hawaii.

# BRIGADIER GENERAL DEAD

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)  
WAKEFIELD, Massachusetts, February 17.—Brig. Gen. G. A. Goodale, retired, died here today.