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## THE HOSPITAL SHIP BRITANNIC SUNK BY AN ENEMY TORPEDO

### Enemy Artillery Active Along the Ancre Front

**Shelled New Positions of the British During the Night---  
 Great Britain and France Will Purchase no More Munitions in the United States.**

LONDON, Nov. 23.—During the night the enemy shelled our new front on both sides of the Ancre, and in the neighborhood of Hebuterne, says today's official report from the Franco-Belgian front.

PARIS, Nov. 23.—The train on which Prince Demidoff, Russian minister to Athens, was going to Saloniki, was fired on by bands of reservists, according to an Athens despatch to the Petit Parisien. On the return the train was derailed by a criminal band close to Litocheri, but no one on the train was injured on either occasion, the despatch says.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—Britain and France will no longer purchase munitions of war from the United States. Efforts are now being made to secure cancellation of previous contracts for arms and munitions placed by Great Britain and France in this country. Hereafter Great Britain will be able to manufacture in the British Isles and in Canada all supplies needed in the war with Germany except in cases of extreme emergency.

These facts became known in New York through sources in close personal touch with commissioners of the British government who are supervising contracts and the purchase of munitions in this country.

PARIS, Nov. 23.—The official communique given out by the War Department this afternoon on the progress of hostilities on the French front says the night passed quietly on the entire front.

#### British Cabinet Ministers to Campaign For a More Vigorous Prosecution of the War

LONDON, Nov. 23.—The morning papers attach the greatest importance to the programme just announced of addresses in the various cities in Great Britain by leading members of the cabinet. The following schedule has already been arranged:

Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of War Trade, at Bristol; Harold Tennant, Secretary for Scotland, at Edinburgh; Thomas McKinnon Wood, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, at Leicester; Lord Curzon, Lord Privy Seal, at Liverpool; H. L. Samuel, Secretary of State for Home Affairs, at Newcastle; Arthur Henderson, Minister of Pensions, at Northampton.

It is stated that the addresses are intended to gain the spirit of the public for more vigorous prosecution of the war, and thus to combat the anti-war propaganda in industrial centres.

It is believed that Premier Asquith, Lloyd George, Bonar Law and Reginald McKenna will participate in a joint meeting of the Unionist and war committees along the same line, and that probably both parties will take official action in support of the campaign.

#### Von Jago Resigns as German Foreign Secretary and is Succeeded by A. Zimmerman

BERLIN, Nov. 23, via London.—The resignation of Gottlieb Von Jago as Secretary of Foreign Affairs was semi-officially announced today. He will be succeeded by Alfred Zimmerman, his former chief assistant.

Dr. Zimmerman is the first commoner to hold the great post of Prussian and German Foreign Minister. He has reached this position not as ordinarily, upon stepping stones of ambassadorial posts, but after a career in the consular service.

His predecessor was by birth and inclination a junker of junkers, and by the irony of fate was compelled to wage a hard struggle against his own class on the question of submarine policy and German peace aims.

The retirement of Von Jago from the service of the government appears to be final.

**To Join Siege Battery.**  
 James B. Adams, son of Mr. R. B. Adams, left for St. John this morning to join the 9th Siege Battery for overseas service. Gunner Adams, who was a former High School student, donned khaki several months ago and has been acting as assistant to Capt. W. H. Steeves, of the Dental Corps. Being anxious to get to the front, he recently secured a transfer to the siege battery. He is a bright young man with many friends who are confident that he will do his bit.

#### PERSONAL

Mr. A. W. Hay, of Woodstock, was in the city Wednesday.  
 Mr. J. Urquhart, of Halifax, was in town yesterday.  
 Miss Fanny Merritt, of Brookline, Mass., arrived by the noon train today. Miss Merritt will be the guest of her brother, Mr. E. G. Merritt, at Barker's Point, for the next few days.

#### MARITIME MEN IN CASUALTY LIST

Ottawa, Nov. 23.—Casualties among Maritime men are reported as follows:  
**Infantry.**

Previously reported missing, now killed in action—Chas. Dickson, Lockhartville, N. S.

Wounded—J. J. McMullen, Glace Bay, N. S.; H. Naylor, Halifax; E. Lawson, Sherbrooke, N. S.

Missing—S. McLean, Green Hill, N. S.

Wounded—J. Young, Truro, N. S.; W. J. Brown, Halifax.

Previously reported missing, now wounded—H. A. Donald, New Waterford, N. S.

Wounded—Co. Q. M. Sergt. D. Chipman, Yarmouth, N. S.; F. B. Grant, Sydney, N. S.

#### Artillery.

Missing, believed wounded—Gunner J. Hobson, Halifax.

#### PERSONAL

Mr. F. C. Ritchie registered at the Barker House yesterday.

Mrs. James Davidson, of Gibson, who has been seriously ill, is reported as slightly improved.

Mr. Arthur J. Bailey, merchant, of Gibson, is confined to his home by an attack of rheumatism.

Mr. Frank Whitlock, of Gibson, is seriously ill.

#### Assignment at Sussex.

Mrs. Margaret J. Frier, of Sussex, has made an assignment to High Sheriff Samuel A. McLeod, of Kings county.

#### The Scarifier.

Many citizens have expressed satisfaction that the city road department has purchased a scarifier for use on the sidewalks during winter months. Those who have seen one in operation in other places claim that it will perform wonders in clearing sidewalks of snow and ice ridges.

### ALL LAWS OF HUMANITY VIOLATED BY THE HUNS

**Sinking of Hospital Ship Britannic Has Aroused Intense Feeling in England--The Great Liner Was Built to Replace the Ill-fated Titanic.**

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—The London correspondent of the Tribune says intense feeling has been aroused here at the contravention of all laws of war and humanity shown in the torpedoing of the big hospital ship Britannic. The British people are particularly hard hit by the disaster, because the Britannic was built to replace its ill-fated sister ship, the Titanic, as a direct challenge to the supremacy of the great German liners, the Vaterland and the Imperator.

#### Never Reached New York.

It is a sad coincidence that the two greatest liners Britain ever built for transatlantic traffic both failed to see New York. The Titanic went down on her maiden voyage to America, and the Britannic was requisitioned as a hospital ship before she had undertaken her first transatlantic trip.

Two red crosses painted on either side of her hull, and a large red cross suspended between her funnel, illuminated at night by red and white electric lights, proclaimed the Britannic's identity to all passing vessels.

#### German Frightfulness.

Many high officials here show not the least surprise at this phase of German frightfulness. They had expected that the Germans would make some such attempt in the hope of accelerating the peace movement; but any such German expectation displays a woeful ignorance of the British attitude in this war.

That the loss of life was as small as reported was due in part to cool-headed seamanship and in part to the complete equipment of life-saving apparatus on the Britannic. The ship carried eighty-five lifeboats and specially constructed davits permitted the boats to lower simultaneously.

#### LADYSMITH HERO DEAD.

LONDON, Nov. 23.—Sir George White, known as the hero of Ladysmith, died at his home here last night. He was in command of the British forces besieged at Ladysmith for several months during the Boer war.

### NEW AUSTRIAN RULER ISSUES PROCLAMATION TO HIS SUBJECTS

**Declares His Inflexible Determination To Continue the War Until the Illusion of the Enemy is Broken---  
 Confirms Premier in Office.**

LONDON, Nov. 23.—Emperor Charles of Austria has issued a proclamation to the Austro-Hungarians declaring his inflexible decision to maintain the war until "a peace assuring the existence and development of the monarchy," according to a Vienna despatch to Reuter's by way of Amsterdam.

The despatch says the proclamation was printed in a special edition of the Wiener Zeitung together with an autograph letter to Premier Koerber. The letter announced that the new monarch had taken over the government, and confirmed the Premier in his present functions.

After paying homage to the late Emperor, the proclamation said: "I will continue to complete his work. I ascend his throne in a stormy time. Our aim has not yet been reached, and the illusion of the enemy to throw down my monarchy and our allies is not yet broken.

"You know me to be in harmony with my people in my inflexible decision to continue the struggle until a peace assuring the expansion and development of the monarchy is obtained. I will do all in my power to banish as soon as possible the horrors and sacrifices of war and to re-obtain peace as soon as the honor of our arms, the conditions of life of my country and its allies and the defiance of our enemies will allow."

### THE BRITANNIC EVIDENTLY SUNK BY A SUBMARINE

**Had Been Engaged in Hospital Work in Aegean Sea—Was the Third Largest Ship Afloat—The Owners Say That Only a Torpedo Could Have Pierced Her Hull.**

LONDON, Nov. 23.—A brief official bulletin today conveyed the news that the White Star Line steamship Britannic, of 47,000 tons, the third largest vessel ever built, which since completion has been used as a hospital ship, was sunk in the Aegean Sea yesterday, and that fifty lives were lost.

It is believed to indicate that submarine warfare of the most ruthless sort is to be waged by Germany. Austrian and German submarines are known to have been active in the Aegean, where there has been no evidence that any mines had been laid.

It is also emphasized that after the recent Channel raid Germany stated that hospital traffic across the Channel was unusually heavy, which is interpreted by officials as intended to cast suspicion on the bona fide character of cross-Channel hospital traffic in general.

#### Few Details of the Sinking of the Gigantic Liner Have as Yet Been Given to the Public

It was stated that the Britannic had been a hospital ship ever since she was placed in the service earlier in the war, and that besides the wounded no one beyond the necessary crew and medical staff was permitted to travel on the vessel.

Few details of the sinking of the giant liner have been made public. There were 1,156 persons on board all told, it is announced, and of these all but fifty were saved. Twenty-eight of the survivors were injured.

Although the Admiralty is careful to state that the ship was sunk either by a mine or torpedo, officials of the White Star Line declare emphatically that only a torpedo could have pierced the steel hull of the Britannic.