

SON CHIEDE PIENI POTERI AL CONGRESSO

Due Senatori Italiani Devono di Rispondere di Settanta-quattro Capi di Accusa

WASHINGTON, 26 Febbraio. Il Presidente Wilson ha parlato oggi davanti al Congresso per domandare pieni poteri per la protezione del commercio e della vita dei cittadini Americani che sono costretti ad attraversare la zona dichiarata bloccata dai sottomarini tedeschi.

Il presidente ha dichiarato che la diplomazia non è riuscita a sal vaguardare i diritti dei cittadini americani garantiti dalle leggi internazionali e che in seguito alla guerra di sottomarini ed al cosiddetto blocco del commercio marittimo americano è paralizzato tanto che i vapori americani non si azzardano ad uscire dai porti dove si trovano.

ripiegare. Essi hanno conquistato il villaggio di Serre, a nord dell'Ancre, in seguito a che i tedeschi sono stati obbligati a ripiegare sull'intera linea tra Miramont e Serre.

Le truppe inglesi hanno anche ottenuto importanti successi in un altro lontano teatro della guerra, sul Tigri, in Mesopotamia.

Telegrammi da Vienna dicono che si sono riuniti nella capitale austriaca i ministri ungheresi ed austriaci allo scopo di discutere circa la situazione economica dell'impero.

Paulshoro Growing Rapidly PAULSHORO, N. J., Feb. 26.—At the rate its population is increasing, Paulshoro will soon be the largest town in Gloucester County.

Did It Ever Occur To You that when you say you cannot afford to insure, you are advancing the strongest reason why you should insure at once?

The Provident

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TWO BRITISH SHIPS SUNK OFF CEYLON, TOKYO SAYS

Vessels Victims of German Plotting, Japanese Say—May Have Been Sent to Bottom by Raider

TOKYO, Feb. 26. The British steamships Persus and Worcester-shire have been sunk off Colombo, according to announcement today.

The Persus was reported sunk from London on February 23 and the Worcester-shire on February 19.

The Japanese Government has a strict censorship on ship news and it is barely possible that the "explosions" due to German plotting mentioned in the dispatch may be simply an indication that these vessels fell victims to the raider.

Colombo is the principal seaport town of Ceylon, an English possession. The Persus was a steel screw liner of 6728 tons, owned by the Ocean Steamship Company, limited, and registered at Liverpool.

The Worcester-shire was a steel screw steamer of 7175 tons, owned by the Bibby Steamship Company and registered at Liverpool.

Dutch Fear Germany Plots Forcing War

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ships by German submarines was tempered today by realization of the acute danger with which the Netherlands are menaced in these massed forces just across the line.

Dispatches from various Dutch cities today indicated no abatement in popular anger at the sinkings, but a general disposition to weigh this situation against the consequences of a sweep forward by those ever-menacing German troops.

The German explanation, as received by wireless, did not serve to quiet the public. This explanation details negotiations with Berlin by Dutch shippers for safe-conduct of the liners from Falmouth after February 5, when the last restriction on "submarine-

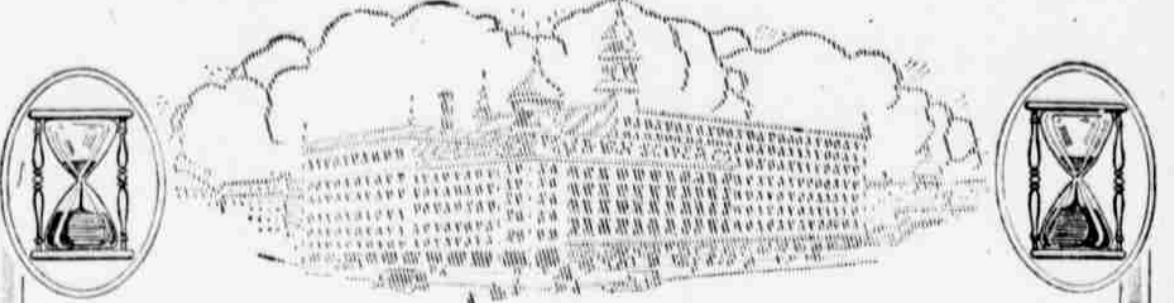
was removed, how permission was granted to February 13 and how later the German Government announced the ships could leave "with full safety" on March 17, or "only relative safety" on February 22.

GERMAN RETREAT SEEN AS MENACE TO HOLLAND

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The great German retreat before General Haig's armies on the west front was in part a result of a call for more men and materials for the Holland front, Allied diplomats declared here today.

Military attaches of Allied embassies said they would be "far from surprised" if the present German retreat continued. These diplomats said that the Dutch

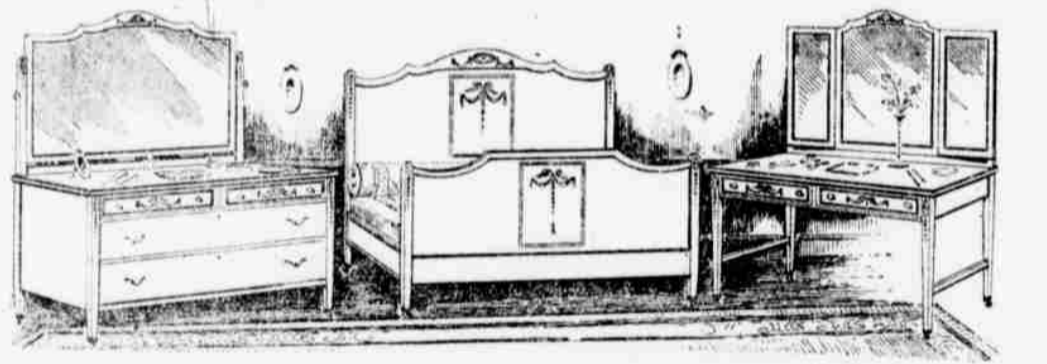
Government, incensed over recent vast destruction of her merchant ships, more belligerently inclined than at any time since the war began, presents a big problem for the German land forces.



Still Three, Bright, Busy Days in this February Sale

THE "Sands of Time" have sifted rapidly down and this morning begins the first of the three final days of our epoch-making February Sale. Three bright, busy days we have prophesied; bright, not necessarily in an external weather-wise sense, but in the internal atmosphere of cheerful satisfaction which always prevails in this unique Store; busy, because every day of the month so far has been busy and no one who can possibly help it will miss these closing hours of opportunity.

An Adam Suite in Ivory Enamel, Decorated, (4 pieces) \$158



A charming suite that really needs to be seen to be appreciated. The refined Adam style is most attractive in the Ivory Enamel and each piece is beautifully decorated.

Such Low Prices on Floor Coverings May Not be Duplicated Again for Years

Everything that goes to the making of rugs, carpets and other floor coverings has advanced rapidly in price, of late, and the trend of the market is still upward.

Table listing various rug and carpet options with prices, such as 'Choice Royal Wilton Rugs in Varied Selection' and '555 Royal Wiltons, 9x12 ... \$39.75'.

A Handsome Colonial Secretary in Rich-toned Dull Mahogany, \$23.50

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Clearance Sale of Lace Curtains, Many at Half Price and Less

In order to reduce our stock to the desired proportions we are closing out \$10,000 worth of Lace Curtains at reductions ranging from 25% to considerably more than half.

Supply Your Bedding Needs While Our Sale Prices Continue

We are specially well equipped to supply your Bedding requirements and you will be especially interested in our greatly reduced February Sale prices. We call your particular attention to our Hair Mattresses, the most comfortable, restful and sanitary type of mattress in existence.

Hair Mattresses, \$20, \$21.50, \$24.50 up. Box Springs, (for metal or wood beds) \$11.50, \$13.50, \$15.00, \$19.50 and up.

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AUTOCARS ASSIST RAILROADS



Baltimore to Boston by Autocar Philadelphia Yesterday

ON SATURDAY, February 24, S. S. Pierce Company, Boston's big grocery house, wired us to haul for them from Baltimore to Boston two tons of tin cans for their "Choisa Tea."

The Autocar used is one that has just been purchased by S. S. Pierce Co. to be added to their present fleet—they now own eighteen.

Running by daylight only, the Autocar is en route via Wilmington, Philadelphia, Trenton, Newark, New York, Bridgeport, New Haven and Providence. It reached Philadelphia yesterday.

Motor trucks are a necessity. Business houses these days are depending on them not only for city and suburban deliveries, but for long distance shipments and for quick unloading of freight cars in crowded yards.

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