

# "BLIMP" DESTROYS SUBMARINE BY BOMB IN BATTLE

LONDON, Oct. 30.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Out of the dense for streaking the sea shot a small dirigible called a "blimp," manned by three allied flyers. Directly in front of them a mile away, was a U-boat with its conning tower and decks well out of the water, says an account of one of the most successful encounters of a British aircraft with a German submarine.

Opening up his engine to its full capacity, the pilot steered straight for the German craft, many of whose crew were on deck. They had seen the airship approaching and immediately brought a quick firing gun into action. With shells bursting about them, the airman pushed on and soon were within effective machine gun range.

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# GERMAN PLOT TO INCITE MEXICO DUE TO CHEMNITZ

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 17.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—The German plot to incite Mexico and Japan to war against the United States originated with Herr Von Chemnitz who bore the title of legation counselor and was employed in a subordinate capacity in the German foreign office, it is now asserted. This is disclosed by Professor Bonn, rector of the Commercial Academy at Munich, Bavaria, according to the Munich Neueste Nachrichten.

"Von Chemnitz," says the Munich newspaper, "imagined himself an au-

thority on Latin-American affairs and suggested the scheme to Dr. Albert Zimmerman," then German secretary for foreign affairs. "Zimmerman discussed it with other foreign office officials but they thought it unfeasible."

"Zimmerman kept the matter in mind. Presently, Von Chemnitz came and told him that in the next few days an especially reliable messenger would leave for Mexico, to whom the message could safely be entrusted, and that it was a matter of now or never."

"Zimmerman allowed himself to be over-persuaded and so the fatal step was taken."

to this scheme. Zimmerman proposed that Mexico should "reconquer the lost territory of New Mexico, Texas and Arizona."

The German plot was made public by the United States government in February, 1917. Its disclosure was one of the startling incidents which preceded America's entrance into the war.

Professor Moritz J. Bonn, director of the Commercial high school at Munich, was lecturing in the United States and defined German war aims in addresses delivered here before the United States became a belligerent.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—President Wilson has been asked by the Grand Duchess of Luxembourg to intervene in behalf of the grand duchy to protect it against the dangers incident to German demobilization and to safeguard in the peace negotiations its rights as a small nation, free and independent. The communication has been referred to the supreme war council at Versailles.

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