

U-BOATS NOW ABLE TO STRIKE FARTHER

Continued Allied Success at
Sea Reported Despite New
Device of Nazi Raiders

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 9—German submarines have been equipped with new technical devices enabling them to penetrate into areas "denied to them for the past three years" and the enemy has "by no means" abandoned his underseas warfare, President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill jointly warned tonight in the monthly Anglo-American statement on submarine and anti-submarine operations.

For the month of November the statement, issued through the

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Office of War Information, reported that the number of Allied ships lost as a result of U-boat activity had "again been very small." The proportionate number of U-boats destroyed had "again been satisfactory."

The statement filled in details suggested in the report of the previous month, when it was hinted that the Germans might renew their attacks "with new types of U-boats." It said German Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz' undersea raiders were being constructed with extensible air intake and exhaust machinery that allowed them to remain submerged for long periods of time.

Admiral Doenitz, in a broadcast several weeks ago over the Berlin radio, claimed that German scientists had developed new equipment for a renewal of the Battle of the Atlantic and threatened blows "greater than anything witnessed so far."

The Roosevelt-Churchill report focused attention on the necessity for unceasing vigilance and continuing warfare, backed by the Allies' retention of control of the seas to guard against the time when improved types of U-boats might be thrown into battle.

Statement on Underseas War

The statement follows:

Shipping losses from U-boat action have been very small and the number of U-boats sunk in proportion has again been satisfactory.

The enemy has by no means abandoned the struggle and has introduced new devices, such as the extensible air intake and exhaust, which enable U-boats to remain submerged for long periods and so penetrate into areas denied to them for the past three years.

Reports that U-boat construction has been abandoned are probably German-inspired and are untrue. On the contrary, improved types of U-boats may at any time be thrown into the battle and retention of our present command of the sea will undoubtedly call for unremitting vigilance and hard fighting.

Other recent statements from Allied sources have pointed to an evident intention by the Germans to continue their U-boat offensive. Albert V. Alexander, First Lord of the British Admiralty, in a speech a few weeks ago reported that U-boats had reappeared in the Atlantic shipping lanes.

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