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RED CROSS SHIP ....A PRESENT FROM THE DUTCH.

The twenty thousand ton Dutch East Indies liner ORANJE given by the Dutch to Australia and New Zealand as a hospital ship. Mr.Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister accepts the gift on behalf of the two Governments and hoists the Red Cross ~~Ship~~ Flag to the mast-head. Surely the enemy must respect that cross.

The ORANJE is one of the largest and best equipped hospital ship afloat, she is certainly the fastest. With her Dutch Medical and nursing staff she can accomodate more than seven hundred patients.

The ship is air conditioned and has leud speaker service throughout... while her ward equipment is the last word in spotless excellence.

The staff quarters are splendidly appointed. The decorations include a picture of "Churchill's Invasion" (perhaps the Dutch ate prophetic) while a tribute is paid to Princess Juliana and Prince Bernhard.

Truly a magnificent gift.