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**REPATRIATION HOLD UP.**

After many weeks of negotiation, after days of expectation and patient anxiety, the exchange of British and German sick and wounded ends in cancellation of arrangements. From the time when the injured Nazis were taken aboard the Dinard and St. Julien at Newhaven, the German Government juggled with the numbers of men to be exchanged. Regardless of the suffering and mental cruelty involved, the Nazi negotiators thought only of figures, as if those to be repatriated were so many cattle. Ignoring the conditions governing the repatriation of sick and wounded prisoners of war under the International Convention, the Germans caused our men and their own to be kept in a constant state of uncertainty - just another scrap of paper to be interpreted according to their own requirements. Meanwhile, men and nurses of the Red Cross and R.A.M.C. cared for the German wounded with every tenderness.

During nights and days of wending the walking cases were brought ashore for exercise on the quayside. Messages were exchanged by radio between the British and German Governments as the Nazis (regardless of International law) tried to barter man for man, and use the incident as a cunning instrument of control. But the British Government was not prepared to have the men used as victims of a flagrant breach of faith on the part of the German Government. In the meantime, the lives of British and German hospital cases were being played with by Adolf Hitler. ~~xxxxxxxx~~ The Mercy ships in Newhaven and Dieppe do not sail... For the last time the German wounded were brought ashore. Again Germany lives down to her standards of honour.