

INCREASES IN THE TARIFF

General All Round Advance of Seven-and-a-Half Per Cent. in Customs

A despatch from Ottawa says: A general tariff increase of seven and a half per cent. intermediate and five per cent. preferential, with certain exceptions, such as tea, sugar, tobacco, wheat, flour and agricultural implements.

Special war taxes including:

- One per cent. on bank note circulation.
- One per cent. on the gross income (Canadian) of trust and loan companies.
- One per cent. on the net premiums of insurance companies except life, fraternal and marine.
- One cent on telegraphic and cable messages.
- Ten cents for every five dollars on railroad and steamship tickets.
- Ten cents on sleeping car and five cents on parlor car tickets.
- One to three dollars per passenger from steamship companies carrying to ports other than in Canada.

GERMANY WARNED BY UNITED STATES

Latter Will Not Tolerate the Loss of Life or Property on the High Seas.

A despatch from Washington says: A very pointed warning to Germany against causing loss of American life or property in her efforts to enforce a blockade of the British Isles, and a friendly note to Great Britain intimating disapproval of an officially sanctioned general use of the American flag by belligerent vessels, were sent by the United States to the German and British Governments, and the full texts of both communications are made public.

The note to Germany, which is stiffer in tone than was anticipated, warns her that the destruction of American neutral vessels and lives by Germany would be held to reconcile with friendly relations, and the United States would hold Germany to strict accountability and take any steps necessary to guard American lives and property.

800 German Deserters Have Fled to Holland

A despatch from Amsterdam says: The Telegraph has received a message from Antwerp saying that 800 German deserters who had been ordered to the Yser have fled into Holland. The despatch also alleges that large numbers of soldiers are deserting from the Antwerp forts.

BRITISH VESSEL FOILS SUBMARINE

German U-2 Tries in Vain to Destroy the Laertes—Latter Uses Dutch Flag

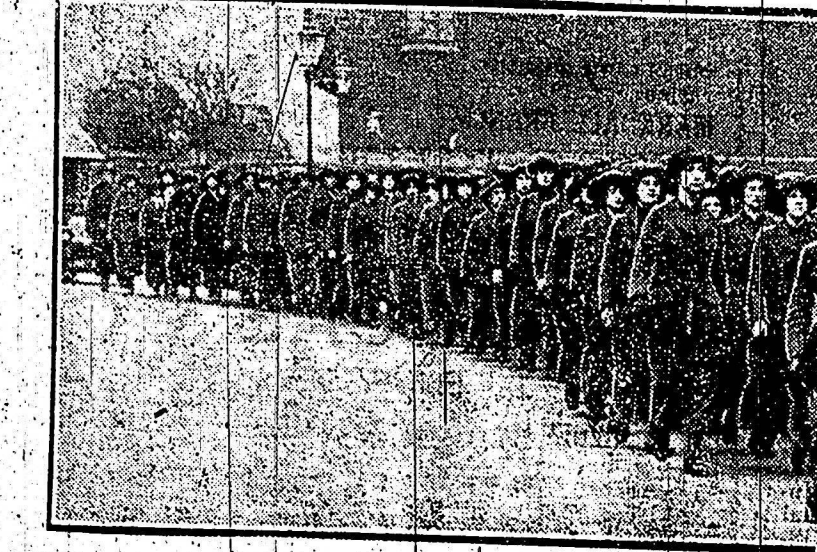
A despatch from Ymuiden, Netherlands, says: The German submarine U-2 attempted to torpedo the British steamer Laertes, which arrived from Java. The vessel escaped by adroit manoeuvres and fast steaming. When attacked the steamer was flying the Dutch flag. Captain Prophet was in command. The attack on the Laertes was made while the vessel was steaming between the Meuse lightship and Schouwen Bank. The submarine fired several shells, which damaged the steamer's funnel, compass and upper deck. As this did not induce the captain to stop, the submarine made an unsuccessful attempt to torpedo the steamship.

The Laertes, when challenged by the submarine, was proceeding without showing her nationality. When asked to stop the vessel flew the Dutch flag.

A despatch from Rotterdam says there is reason to believe that the submarine sank. She was last seen in a cloud of steam.

The Laertes is one of the smaller liners of the Ocean Company, a British corporation, plying between Harwich and Dutch ports. It is supposed that the submarine encountered the liner off the Hook of Holland and prevented her entering Dutch waters. The captain at once headed north and finally managed to elude the submarine and reach a safe port.

The Dutch authorities will make an inquiry into the attempt of the German submarine U-2 to torpedo a British steamer inside Dutch territorial waters.



Women's Volunteer Reserve March Through London.
Members of the Women's Volunteer Reserve on their first route march through London. The object of the corps is to train a body of women skilled in first-aid, cooking, signalling, driving, the management of horses, and marksmanship. When the corps is fully trained it is the intention to offer it to the War Office.

ENEMY'S BASES ARE DESTROYED

British Air Raid on Bruges, Zebruggue and Ostend Districts Described.

A despatch from London says: Aerial warfare was waged on Friday on the largest scale in its history, and under adverse circumstances from the standpoint of the weather. British airmen, buffeting banks of snow in the air, swept over cities of Northern Belgium held by the Germans and dropped bombs on Ostend, Bruges and other places.

Thirty-four aeroplanes and supply planes of the British may have taken part in the operations and all of them later returned safely to their base without casualties to their drivers, although two of the machines were damaged. The raid was made in order to prevent the development of submarine bases at establishments which might further endanger British warships and merchantmen.

Although no submarines were seen, the British Admiralty statement indicates that the raid had satisfactory results, for considerable damage is said to have been done to German gun positions, railway lines and railway stations. The Ostend station is reported to have been set on fire, and that at Blankenberge to have been badly damaged. German minesweeping vessels at Zebruggue also came in for a hail of bombs, but the damage done to them has not been stated.

At various points the airmen were received by the Germans with firing from anti-aircraft guns and rifles. None of the airmen are reported by the Admiralty to have been wounded in these attacks.

One of the machines, driven by Flight-Commander Claude Grahame-White, among the most intrepid of the British fliers, fell into the sea while returning to its base after the raid was over, and the aviator had a narrow escape from drowning. Fortunately for him a cruiser was nearby and picked him up, and then towed his aeroplane into port.

Death List 25,000 in the Earthquake

Published Semi-official Statistics of the Fatalities in the Recent Earthquake, from which it appears that about 25,000 persons perished.

A despatch from Rome says: The Giornale d'Italia on Wednesday published semi-official statistics of the fatalities in the recent earthquake, from which it appears that about 25,000 persons perished. Of these, 23,407 were in the Province of Aquila, 423 in the Province of Caserta, most of them in the town of Benevento, and 34 in the Province of the town of Avezzano, in the Province of Aquila, had the heaviest loss of any individual town, 10,819 of its inhabitants, which is equal to 96 per cent. of the population, having been killed.

Grandfathers Called to Fight for Austria

A despatch from Geneva, Switzerland, says: Austria is experiencing great difficulty, especially in Hungary, it is reported at Innsbruck, in mobilizing the Landsturm of the classes from the years 1878 to 1890, which were recently called to the colors. Women are said to be piecing the men, many of whom are grandfathers, from leaving their homes.

Revolt Breaks Out in Transylvania

A despatch from Rome says: News has been received here to the effect that a revolt has broken out in Transylvania, where the army have been requisitioned for the army while the inhabitants are starving. The gendarmes charged the citizens, and many were killed or wounded.

An agitation bordering on insurrection is spreading in South Hungary. Rioting has been repressed only through bloodshed.

OIL SHORTAGE IN GERMANY.

Price Charged is Double What It Is in France.

A despatch from Paris says: An official account of the situation at Dojan, a French city under German occupation and control, reports that petrol which is brought in from Germany has reached the unprecedented price of \$1.40 a can. This is regarded as most interesting in France, as it shows that Germany already has begun to feel the scarcity of illuminating and motor oils upon which so much depends in this war. The price of petrol in Paris to-day is 70 cents a can, one-half the price exacted in German territory. This is an increase of only six cents to the can since the war began.

German Bomb Thrower Captured

A despatch from Paris says: An appended note to the official statement of the French War Office makes an announcement which is received with the liveliest satisfaction by Parisians. It says that in addition to destroying a German signal balloon in the vicinity of Cagny on Wednesday at Verdun they brought down a German aeroplane, the pilot of which proved to be Lieut. von Hidelin. He will be remembered as the audacious aviator who last September flew over Paris, dropping bombs which caused the death of several non-combatants, and added to this a note inviting Parisians to surrender "to the victorious German armies marching on Paris." It is not stated whether the lieutenant landed safely or was killed.

PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES OF AMERICA

Wheat.—Chicago, No. 1 Northern, \$1.67 to \$1.67 1/2; No. 2 at \$1.64 to \$1.64 1/2; and No. 3 at \$1.61 to \$1.61 1/2. Ontario wheat, No. 2, \$1.60 to \$1.60 1/2. Outside points, No. 1, \$1.55 to \$1.55 1/2; No. 2, \$1.52 to \$1.52 1/2; No. 3, \$1.49 to \$1.49 1/2. Outside, No. 1, \$1.50 to \$1.50 1/2; No. 2, \$1.47 to \$1.47 1/2; No. 3, \$1.44 to \$1.44 1/2.

Barley.—Chicago, No. 1 Northern, \$1.67 to \$1.67 1/2; No. 2 at \$1.64 to \$1.64 1/2; and No. 3 at \$1.61 to \$1.61 1/2. Outside, No. 1, \$1.55 to \$1.55 1/2; No. 2, \$1.52 to \$1.52 1/2; No. 3, \$1.49 to \$1.49 1/2.

Oats.—Chicago, No. 1 Northern, \$1.67 to \$1.67 1/2; No. 2 at \$1.64 to \$1.64 1/2; and No. 3 at \$1.61 to \$1.61 1/2. Outside, No. 1, \$1.55 to \$1.55 1/2; No. 2, \$1.52 to \$1.52 1/2; No. 3, \$1.49 to \$1.49 1/2.

Hay.—Chicago, No. 1 Northern, \$1.67 to \$1.67 1/2; No. 2 at \$1.64 to \$1.64 1/2; and No. 3 at \$1.61 to \$1.61 1/2. Outside, No. 1, \$1.55 to \$1.55 1/2; No. 2, \$1.52 to \$1.52 1/2; No. 3, \$1.49 to \$1.49 1/2.

BRITAIN HAS DEFENCE ARMY

Ready to Go Anywhere Any Time in the Event of a German Invasion

A despatch from London says: After two days of debate, during which many matters in connection with the war were discussed, the House of Commons on Wednesday night passed without division an army estimate for 3,000,000 men, exclusive of India, and also by a "token" vote, provided for the payment of the Government to receive a blank cheque for this purpose.

Replying to points raised by members of the House, Hauff J. Tennant, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for War, said, that in case of a raid on England, Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton was in command of a mobile force, which was ready to go anywhere at any time.

There was considerable discussion of the estimate, but it was passed by a large majority.

Serious Shortage of Skilled Workers

A despatch from London says: The shortage of skilled workers in engineering and ship-building establishments, owing to the large numbers of these men who have gone to the front, is so serious that an enquiry was opened by representatives of the Government and trades unions for the purpose of devising methods of assuring the full productivity of these industries to military operations. The trades unions will be asked to waive some of their regulations during the period of the war crisis.

ALLIES ARE MASTERS.

German Offensive Moves Cease in Belgian Dunes.

A despatch from Boulogne, France, says: From a very reliable source I am in a position to state that the allies are now absolute masters of the dunes, says a correspondent. Little by little the German offensive movements changed, and after a short defensive they gave way before the allied troops.

With regard to the district about Ostend, the Germans have become greatly alarmed at their position. Large reinforcements arrive daily at Ostend from Bruges. The health of the German troops is becoming extremely grave. At Moppe 90 per cent. of the garrisons are in the hospital suffering from typhoid fever. At Antwerp 12,000 soldiers are in the hospitals suffering from fever.

35 Killed by Bomb In An Antwerp Fort

A despatch from London says: The Daily Mail's Rotterdam correspondent says he learns that 35 German soldiers were killed in one of the Antwerp forts last Friday by a bomb dropped by British airmen.

Fire Secret Storehouse in Dusseldorf

A despatch to the London Daily Telegraph from Rotterdam reports a successful air raid by the allies over Dusseldorf. "The Germans," according to the correspondent, "fearing such a raid at Dusseldorf, recently built a secret storehouse from the use of material and arsenal discovered there."

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GERMANS STICK TO THE TRENCHES

Attacks Have Made Them Chary.

A despatch from Paris says: The German army is reported to be chary of trench attacks. In a recent attack on French positions near Arras, the Germans distinguished themselves by their caution. They were not driven back, but they were not driven forward either. They were content to dig in and wait for the British to attack.

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SLAUGHTER IN BAGATLE FIGHT

Terrible Progress of the Battle on the Dunes.

A despatch from Boulogne, France, says: The progress of the battle on the dunes is terrible. The French are making a desperate stand. The German offensive has been checked, but the fighting is still going on. The allies are now absolute masters of the dunes.

STEAMER BURNED BY TORPEDO OR MINE

A despatch from Scarborough, Ontario, says: A steamship was towed into a sinking on a mine. The ship was carrying a large amount of cargo. The cause of the sinking is still under investigation.

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