

## TRANSPORT TUSCANIA CARRYING AMERICAN TROOPS TORPEDOED

267 U.S. Soldiers Lost When Liner Sunk Off Irish Coast—Conveyed by British Warships and Manned by British Sailors

A despatch from Washington, D.C., by a German submarine, will it is said:—The *Cuadra* liner *Tuscania*, now known, not exceed 101; the carrying 2,179 American soldiers, has lost nearly half of the victims being members of the crew.

The *Tuscania* carried a total of 2,397. The saved number 2,296, as been accounted for in a despatch to follows:

Troops	2,106
Crew	190
Total lost	101

It did not mention the possibility of further survivors, but hope was built here upon the fact that all of those rescued were landed at two widely-separated Irish ports and indications are that relief vessels were at hand quickly.

The troops, composed chiefly of the detachments of Michigan and Wisconsin National Guardsmen, were traveling on the *Tuscania*, a British vessel under convoy of British warships.

The bodies of 44 of the missing 101 victims of the *Tuscania* disaster were washed up on Thursday on the rocks 15 miles from the scene of the torpedoing. All were Americans, and the loss of life on the U.S. transport their bodies were mutilated beyond recognition.

## SUCCESSFUL RAIDS BY CANADIANS

Dominion Troops Enter Enemy Line in Two Places

A despatch from London says:—The comb continues working among Canadians in England; three hundred men last month were sent to reserve units. Some of these had been casualties in France but had become again fit; 129 men were raised from the category B to A, nearly two thousand men had completed training and were raised to category A. It is penetrating the hostile front line efficiency is that until men who can go to two places. One party got within 20 yards of the enemy's wire when it shall return to Canada. Two thousand more were sent back last month and eleven hundred more were returned for further medical treatment in Canada. Over three thousand from our casualties were made available for reserve units, these including men discharged from hospitals here. Two thousand more were placed in lower categories than A. Many of these had been made available for further service through a system of curative physical training now largely adopted by the Canadian Medical Service.

German raiders came across the English land in strength in the Menin-Vaion sector. They met with a vigorous reception from our troops and machine guns that they were forced to retreat with heavy casualties. They left five prisoners in their hands.

## REDUCE RATIONS OF HOME ARMY

Except British Youths Under 19 Training For Abroad

A despatch from London says:—Earl of Derby, Secretary for War, and Field Marshal Viscount Gort, commander of the Home Forces, of his decision to reduce the rations of meat, sugar and tea for all the home forces except youths under 19 years training for abroad.

When the whole nation is being asked to sacrifice food consumption in the interests of our armies abroad, says the War Secretary, it is think you will agree with me that the patriotic attitude will expect nothing to be asked to save certain sacrifices. The burden cannot be allowed to fall wholly upon the mothers and children and civilian workers.

He explains that the reduced ration compares favorably with the field rations of most other armies, and says that the reasons for making the reduction imperative are known, notably adding, "The fate of the war may well depend upon the spirit in which such reductions are accepted." The spirit of every individual soldier and civilian is now being tested and may be still further tested during the coming months. It is the duty of the army at home to set the whole nation an example of determination and cheerfulness, and I have no doubt of their response."

**ENEMY HOSTILE MACHINES SHOT DOWN BY BRITISH BY U-BOATS**

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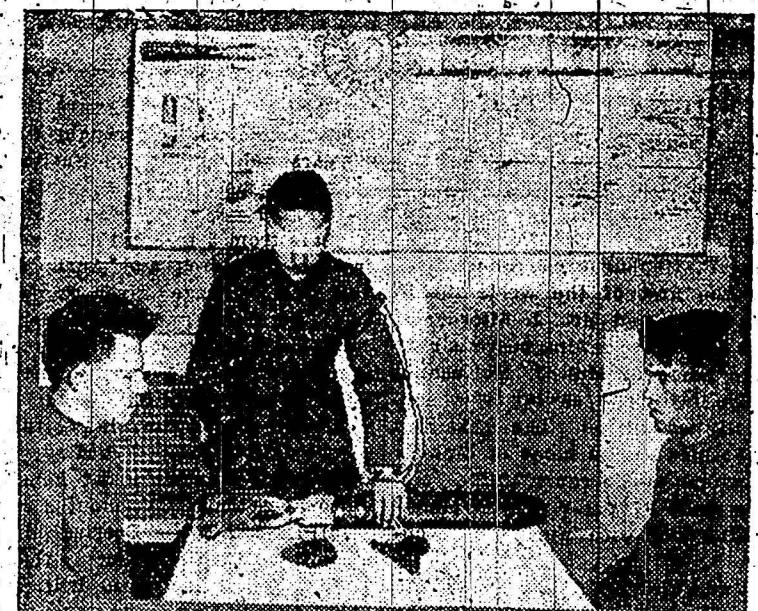
Nearly five tons of bombs were dropped Tuesday on hostile targets. Five German aeroplanes were brought down in air fighting, and four were driven down out of control. A hostile observation balloon was brought down. Four of our aeroplanes are missing.

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**BRITISH NAVAL FORCES BOMB OSTEND MARINE YARDS**

A despatch from Amsterdam says:—British naval forces have bombed Ostend, according to a despatch from the frontier.

The marine yards were severely damaged.



Solving the Mysteries of the Machine Gun. Men in this branch of the service have become so efficient that they can assemble and disassemble their guns while blindfolded.

## HUNS MASSING AT THREE POINTS

**SOUTH-EAST OF ANTWERP, AROUND METZ, DISTRICT, AND IN UPPER ALSACE.**

A despatch from Paris says:—Latest information to hand here shows that the Germans are continuing troop concentrations at three important points of the line. These appear to be southeast of Antwerp, around the Thionville-Metz district, and in Upper Alsace.

About the middle of January troops assembled in these parts of the line totalled about 55 divisions (about 500,000 men), many of whom came from the Russian front.

It is evident that the troops in upper Alsace could only have one objective—that which faces them between the upper Vosges and the Swiss border. In this way it appears significant that Switzerland should at present be mobilizing many more troops with the intent of protecting her frontiers. The Germans, Swiss and Austro-Swiss frontiers are at present closed to all traffic which may mean further important movements of German troops.

Advices received here from Holland say that the Belgian frontier is too closed for about a month. It is also reported that the Germans are building large barracks in Aix-la-Chapelle region to house 100,000 troops.

**CANADA EXPORTS \$10,000,000 IN PULP AND PAPER**

A despatch from Montreal says:—R. A. Pringle, K.C., Canada's paper controller, said in a recent speech that during the year ending March 31, 1917, the exports of pulp and paper from this country totalled \$40,000,000. He called attention to the fact that Canada was supplying one-third of the newsprint used in the United States partly in the finished product and partly in the raw material, and the requirements of the United States in pulpwood were 600,000 tons a day.

Pulpwood has increased in value, he said, and brought from \$1 to \$7 a cord on the stump.

Canada stood third among the countries of the world with regard to forest possessions, he asserted. Russia and the United States having greater forest resources.

**DESPARATE BATTLE BETWEEN WHITE AND RED GUARDS**

A despatch from Stockholm says:—General Mannerheim, commander of the Government forces in Finland, that were organized to enforce the authority of the Finnish Diet, has de-

feted the Finnish Red Guard and the Russians at Vyborg, and taken pos-

sition of the city. This is the most important victory as yet scored by the White Guards as Uleaborg was the chief military depot of the Rus-

sians in Northern Finland, and con-

tained considerable stores of ammu-

nition and artillery. Military observers

now confidently predict that the whole

of Northern Finland soon will be in

the hands of the Government forces.

The battle of Uleaborg lasted two

days, and there were several hundred dead on both sides.

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## NEWS FROM ENGLAND FROM OLD SCOTLAND WAR AIDS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE

**NEWS BY MAIL ABOUT JOHN BULL AND HIS PEOPLES**

**NOTES OF INTEREST FROM HER BANKS AND BRAES.**

**SET FORTH IN RECENT SPEECH OF LLOYD GEORGE.**

**What Is Going On in the Highlands and Lowlands of Auld Scotia.**

**Comments of London Newspapers on Notable Utterance of British Prime Minister.**

**Ability of Allied Nations to Continue War Depends on Our Willingness To Make Sacrifices.**

**There are large supplies in Canada of potatoes, carrots, turnips and onions in excess of the amount normally consumed by the people of this country. These vegetables are not wholesome food and it is a small but necessary war service for the people of the Dominion to increase their consumption of these commodities and to eat less bread, meat and other foods which are so greatly needed abroad. Unless Canadians will use more freely the vegetables of which we have a surplus supply, large stores will be wasted—and, at a time when there is such need of food in Europe, it would be nothing short of treason to eat more of the vegetables in order to save exportable food for the soldiers and the civilian population which ready know the magnitude of the shortage. Potatoes, carrots, turnips, onions may be used in appetizing and palatable dishes. The elements required by the British and could with advantage freely in combination with smaller quantities of bacon, dairy products and meat. They are very good substitutes for the foods which are needed. The duty of the Canadian people to eat more of the vegetables prevent waste is clear. Increased consumption of these vegetables will be a great contribution towards the war.**

**The Terms.**

**We mean to stand by the French democracy to the death in the demand for a reconsideration of the great wrong of 1871, when two provinces were torn from France.**

**All-Round Restoration.**

**Restoration of Serbia, Montenegro and the occupied parts of France, Italy and Rumania.**

**Poland.**

**We believe in an independent Poland, comprising all the purely Polish elements.**

**Italy and Rumania.**

**We possess the satisfaction of the liberators of Italy and Rumania.**

**Germany.**

**The adoption of a democratic Constitution by Germany would make it easier for us to conclude a broad democratic peace.**

**Austria-Hungary.**

**We desire a government in democratic lines of nationality who have long deserved.**

**The break-up of Austria-Hungary is not our aim.**

**Turkey.**

**Capital to remain in the star people.**

**Passage from Medina to the Black Sea to be nationalized and neutralized.**

**Armenia, Mesopotamia, Syria and Palestine entitled to a recognition of their separate national conditions.**

**The German Colonies.**

**The consideration in all cases is that the inhabitants should be placed under the control of an Adminis-**

**tration.**

**A Great Document.**

**The Prime Minister's speech in the London Times is the most important State document issued by the Government in the declaration of war.**

**Miss K. M. Robertson and Miss F. M. Robertson-Nairn are gazetted as assistant administrators in the Women's Auxiliary Corps.**

**The Army flag day held in Glasgow recently realized the sum of £178.**

**The sum of £637 was realized on a children's flag day held in Edinburgh and Leith.**

**Over £70 was realized at a military concert given in Brora in aid of war charities.**

**G. D. Venini has been elected chairman of the Calgary Separate School Board.**

**Controller Gray, Winnipeg, wants to have a complete building inspection of the whole city.**

**The province of Saskatchewan collected during December almost \$100,000 for the Red Cross.**

**W. J. Dyson, Calgary, has been elected president of the Alberta Great War Veterans' Association.**

**Lieut.-Col. S. W. Prowse, of Win-**

**nipeg, is home on furlough, but expects to return to France shortly.**

**W. H. Pritchard's general store at Mitchell, Sask., was burned recently, the loss being about \$20,000.**

**The date for the annual conven-**

**tion for rural municipalities of Sas-**

**katchewan have now been set as**

**March 3, 7 and 8, to be held in Moose Jaw.**

**Sergt.-Major Adams and Sergt.**

**Knight rounded up 18 defaulters of**

**the Military Service Act in Moose Jaw**

**in one evening. Ten claimed to be**

**American and one claimed to be a German.**

**Montreal Patriotic Council**

**Western No. 3, Feb. 12—Oats, Cim-**

**berland, \$1.02; No. 2 local, \$1.04;**

**No. 4, No. 3, \$1.04; Flour—Man-**

**itoba, \$1.00; straight rolled, \$1.00;**

**shortened, \$1.00; bran, \$1.00;**

**beans, \$1.00; Canadian flour, \$1.00;**

**white, \$1.00; imported, \$1.00 to \$1.05;**

**potatoes—Delaware, \$1.00; Yukon, \$1.05;**

**Ontario, bag, \$1.00 to \$2.25;**

**Provisions—Wholesale**

**Smoked meat—lamb, medium, \$2.00;**

**beef, \$2.00; bacon, \$2.00;**

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