

NECESSITY OF GERMAN HOLDING BACK RUSSIANS

More Important Than Holding Allies in West.

THE RHINE A BARRIER

IN WEST THAT DOES NOT EXIST IN EAST.

Berlin Officially Admits Success of French Between Lille and Arras—German Troops Removed To Poland.

New York, Dec. 7.—J. W. T. Mason, United Press military critic, says to-day: Simultaneously with Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's victory at Loos, Berlin makes the first official announcement of the war since the battle of Marne, that the Germans have been compelled to abandon a French position—the German evacuation of Yvernes between Lille and Arras. This may turn out to possess much greater significance than the defeat of the Russians in Poland.

The two operations, though removed from each other by the width of Europe, are closely related. There seems no doubt but that the German victory has been won with troops withdrawn from France and Belgium. It appears evident, too, that the allies are now more nearly on an equality with the German strength in the west than at any time since the war began; nevertheless, to predict from this change in the situation that Germans soon will be out of Western France and Belgium would be hazardous. The future situation in the west depends on the conditions in Russia.

It is certain, however, that Germany counts far more on the necessity of preventing the Russian invasion of German territory, than in holding off the allies in the west. Russia's penetration into the heart of Germany would inevitably mean a crippling loss of territory to the Hohenzollerns.

Furthermore, there is no continuous natural barrier in the east, such as the Rhine forms in the west. Compelled to choose between weakening her eastern army or holding the Slav horde over the Prussian provinces, Germany cannot afford to hesitate. Therefore, any immediate success that may be counted upon by the western allies will depend on the development of the eastern peril.

INDIAN WARRIOR KILLED BY POSSE

Tried to Escape When Surrounded and Was Fired Upon by Them.

Pembroke, Ont., Dec. 7.—Anthony Jocko, one of the Indian slayers of Turnkey Robert Oxford in the jail here a week ago, on Sunday paid with his life the penalty of his crime. Jocko was surrounded by a posse in the home of a half-breed named Chalch, but, about thirty miles from the Golden Lake Reserve. The Indian left the house in the morning and endeavored to escape. He was called on to halt, but continued to run. Several shots were fired at him, one of them striking him in the foot. He continued to press on, but a well-aimed shot struck him in the groin, the bullet passing through his abdomen. Messrs. Ego and Wade, Killalee, and Ruddy Brothers, Round Lake composed the posse which shot the Indian down.

On being notified Sheriff Morris despatched a physician to the scene, and it was found that the injury must prove fatal, and the wounded man could not be removed to a hospital. He died early Sunday.

Peter Whitteck, the other Indian concerned in the slaying of the turnkey, was captured Tuesday last, and is in the jail here awaiting preliminary hearing.

Died From Grief.

Detroit, Dec. 7.—Grief over the recent death of his wife followed by a stroke of paralysis ten days ago brought to an end the active and useful life of William Robert Orr, president and general manager. Detroit Saturday Night, at Harper hospital. Deceased was a native of Toronto. In 1907, together with Harry M. Nimmo, a graduate of Queen's University, Kingston, Mr. Orr founded the Detroit Saturday Night.

Laurier At His Office Again.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who for some days was confined to his house with a somewhat severe cold, has entirely recovered, and is once more back at his office.

Promises a Christmas Present

London, Dec. 7.—A despatch from north-western France quotes Gen. Joffre as saying: "We shall have a Christmas present for our people, if things go well."

Charles Alfred Deal, sr., Perth

deceased this Saturday afternoon last. He passed his eighty-seventh year and death was due to a general breaking up of a rugged system.

W. J. Shanks of the Belleville club of Chicago has been honored by election of membership in the Authors' Club of England.

Oliver Sulder, who has been away from Picton for over a year, has returned.

A. A. Richards and family of At-hol have moved to Picton.

NEWS OF THE DISTRICT

What is Found in The District Exchanges

Perth will have a home guard of nearly seventy five civilians.

J. H. Porte, Picton, has just celebrated sixty years in business in that town.

Rev. W. M. Grant will be inducted pastor of Knox church, Perth, on Dec. 10th.

J. Rector Foster has just had completed on his farm at Fish Lake a steel truss barn 66x36.

Rev. William Fleming, M.A., of Shannonville, is seriously ill at the home of his son, W. T. Fleming Belleville.

The beautiful parish church of St. Albans, (Anglican) Ameliasburg will be dedicated in the early part of January.

Rev. E. H. Harston, pastor of Fallowell circuit, will remove from his residence at Mount Pleasant and take up his residence at Melville.

Lanark county council did not make a grant to the patriotic fund at its last session. The councillors deemed it prudent to defer action for the present.

In the Township of Ameliasburg, on Monday, Miss Myrtle Jones, only daughter of R. Jones, was united in marriage to G. Armour Bennett Belleville.

All the family yet in these parts of W. J. McLean, Rideau Ferry, had a reunion with the venerable gentleman, at his home, on the occasion of his eighty-third birthday, which occurred on 22nd, November.

H. D. Chamberlain formerly of Jambouff, has been appointed to take over the management of the local telephone exchange during the absence of the former manager, Lieut. W. A. Spriggs, who goes to the front.

Roumania To Fight With Allies

Geneva, Dec. 7.—The Journal de Geneve publishes a despatch from Bucharest which says that Roumania has definitely decided to enter the war on the side of the allies.

This decision, according to the despatch, is in accordance with the wish of the entire country, including King Ferdinand and all the Roumanian statesmen, except the minister of finance, M. Marichidzeanu.

The question of when Roumania will make her entry into the conflict is still being discussed, however, one side desiring to avoid a winter campaign, but the military authorities express the fear that Serbia may be defeated before the spring.

The attitude of Bulgaria still remains doubtful. Greece, Serbia and Roumania have proffered certain concessions, which, however, Sofia seems to consider a sufficient inducement.

WITH THE VOLUNTEERS

The Sunday Afternoon Service in the Armouries

Rev. G. I. Campbell conducted the services in the armouries on Sunday afternoon. He chose as his text "A man's foes shall be they of his own house" from Matthew x-36. The tragedy of many a man was the fact that he did not know his own foes. He can reckon with the foe in the open but he cannot measure the strength of the one in secret.

The menace of the empire was her secret foes, the traitors who live in our midst. Every man present is in another conflict. He is already in action at the front. Life is a conflict against disease, temptation and the insidious attacks of sin.

Evil habits, temper, passions and desires. In this conflict between right and wrong, between truth and falsehood, between honor and shame, between purity and impurity there is no neutrality. Every one must take his side. There are three forces that will help you to win—discipline, character and, above all, Jesus Christ. Hold that name sacred and He will give you victory at home and abroad, in the camp and in the trenches.

The examinations of the twelve subjects taken in the Royal School of Artillery started on Monday morning with an examination in "Section Gun-drill." These examinations will be held regularly until the end of the month. The "digging in" of the gun will start on Barricade on Friday, near the military hospital. This class consists of digging trenches and putting the guns under cover in such a way that even an aviator could not see them. When smokeless powder is used it is practically impossible to see where the shot is coming from. The class will leave in the morning and take their lunch with them.

Sergt-Major Whitfield, of Halifax, is on his way here and will be on the instructional staff. Lieut. Ringwood has been appointed captain, provisionally. The remainder of the instructional staff is now Lieut. Roberts and Steacy and Sergt-Major Instructors Jordan, Brown, Temple and Duff.

There are a large number of applications to join the class to be formed on the 4th of January, over 200 already being on file. With the addition to the staff of instructors it is expected that a hundred will be able to take the new class.

Pte. Suddard, of the 14th guard on the water tower, sprained his ankle and had to be taken to the military hospital on Sunday night.

The 21st battalion, at two o'clock on Monday afternoon, held a parade on the cricket field, in command of Lieut.-Col. W. S. Hughes.

DEANG. L. STARR

Has Reached New York Enroute to Kingston.

HIS TRUNK IS FULL

OF IRON CROSSES AND GERMAN HELMETS.

The Dean Wants To Return to the War Zone — Will Discuss Matter Of Extended Leave With St. George's Congregation.

New York, Dec. 7.—Straight from the battlefield on the Franco-German frontier, where he had served as chaplain of the 37th brigade of the Irish Guards since August, Right Rev. Major G. L. Starr, Dean of Ontario, and rector of the cathedral at Kingston, arrived here Sunday, as a passenger on the steamship St. Paul of the American line. He would not discuss his experiences in the war, but he had no hesitancy in exhibiting a half-trunk full of German helmets and iron crosses, which he picked up on the different battlefields on which he saw service.

One of the dean's souvenirs was an iron cross of the first class, whose date showed it to have been awarded for the valor of its wearer in the Franco-Prussian war of 1870.

Dean Starr is expected in Kingston in a day or two. He will discuss with the St. George's cathedral people the matter of further leave of absence, so that he may return to France, as he wishes to go back to the war.

To Mobilize Part of Force At Windsor

London, Ont., Dec. 7.—For strategic reasons the training camp for the third Canadian contingent from this district will likely be moved to Windsor from London. Because of the rumors regarding German movements at the border, the militia authorities plan to have at least part of the force kept at Windsor. Col. Kelly, of the 27th regiment, Sarnia, is expected to be commander.

PRINCE OF WALES AT FRONT

He Calls the British Troops, "Father's Army"

The case of the late Prince Imperial was no doubt, in Lord Kitchener's mind when he expressed his opinion that the Prince of Wales had not as yet sufficient military experience to warrant him being sent to the front. But, nevertheless, he is now there as an attaché on General French's staff. Although his royal highness knows a good deal about naval affairs, his experience of the junior branch of the service was, unfortunately, not so extensive. Limited to a camp or two and a few field days with the Oxford university division of the O. T. C. But there is no doubt that the presence of the heir to the throne in the thick of the fighting will entail an enormous responsibility on some one who, to put it frankly, has been deputed to look after him. Lord Chelmsford had charge of the prince imperial years ago, and came in for a good deal of censure when the worst happened.

This is not intended to reflect on his royal highness's military capacity. He has shown himself a smart, keen young officer, and they think a world of him in the Guards. One of his fellow officers told me the other day that he is exceedingly fit, and in the long route marches he has stuck to it mile after mile, after four or five days of rest. Tommies have been forced to fall out.

What were the prince's relations with his fellow undergraduates when he was at Magdalen? A few weeks ago the writer was talking to one of these young men who knew him intimately, and asked him, "The Prince?" he said, "Oh, one of the best; a little shy perhaps, but one of the best."

"For instance," continued the youth, "the prince was lurching with me and two other men one day, and were talking about fixing up a foursome. 'What about next Saturday?' I said, 'Well, said this royal highness, 'I'm afraid mother's coming down. But I'll see if I can't put her off.' It was rather curious, too, to hear him talk about 'Father's army.'"

TURKISH CRUISER DAMAGED

By a Mine—Six Turkish Sailing Vessels Sunk.

Petrograd, Dec. 7.—The Turkish cruiser Hamidieh has struck a mine and returned to Constantinople considerably damaged, according to the Russian official news agency's Constantinople advices.

These advices say also that Russian warships have sunk six Turkish sailing vessels which were carrying war supplies.

An Honest Horse.

An Irishman once sold a nag to a gentleman, warranting the animal as an honest horse. Some time afterwards he met the gentleman, who asked him what he meant by an honest horse.

"Well, sir," replied Pat, "whenever I rode him he always threatened to throw me, and he certainly never deceived me."

At Wellington, Rev. Dr. Cobb tied the nuptial knot for Miss Annie Forsyth, and Mr. Ferguson.

ONE DEATH A DAY.

In the Canadian Contingent Now in England.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Casualties in the Canadian expeditionary force at Salsburgh Plain already average about one a day. For the past several days at least one death has been reported by cable. To-day the death is announced of Sapper George Burnett, divisional engineer, of pneumonia. His next of kin is his wife and children, who live in Manchester, England. Burnett enlisted in Toronto.

WILL JAPANESE BE IN EUROPE?

Suggestion Made That Great Britain Should Not Be Too Quixotic.

Dr. E. J. Dillon has a most interesting article in the Contemporary Review, in which he summarizes the main issues of the war. He points out the hopeful aspects, and equally forcefully those which are not so hopeful, and he makes some very useful suggestions which he claims would, if adopted, make for the success of the allies.

Of these the most notable is that we should accept the help of the Japanese army.

"The British empire has an army in the making. It will be ready some time in the first half of the coming year. But the million men that we shall then put into the field will be of much less relative value than five hundred thousand sent to the fighting line to-day. Events are moving fast. The situation is changing continually. Much of what is now happening can be remedied later, but some events are irremediable. Speed, therefore, is almost as valuable to us as it is to our foes.

"It has been frequently said that we have no real need of men, that there are millions throughout the empire eager to join the colors. Happily this is true. But this splendid fighting force is not available at once. Now the causes that make it impossible for them to take the field at once are inoperative in Japan. It possesses no first hand government, would respond to a request of this nature, but I have been assured by some whose opinion carries weight that

the project is workable. It will hardly be gainsaid that five hundred thousand thoroughly trained Japanese soldiers would turn the scale at the present conjuncture.

"It has been truly said that the object for which we are now struggling is not merely to defeat the Teutonic armies or to be able to call the war a draw. Neither consummation would avail us ought. For it would not free us from the Uras tree of Prussian militarism under whose poisonous shade all European State organisms wither. What we aim at and what alone can satisfy us is the annihilation of Prussianism together with all its by-product, the tearing out of its nethermost roots.

"Our principal source of weakness lies in our Quixotic respect for broken compacts, our exaggerated deference to the desires of neutrals.

"We are concerned to avoid everything that our enemies could fairly construe as not 'playing the game.' At the outset of the war we placed ourselves at obvious disadvantages rather than fall in our imaginary duties towards them. Slowly we are beginning to economize this self-denying Quixotism.

Stirling is forming a home guard.

DETERMINED OFFENSIVE PRESSED BY THE ALLIES

From the Belgian Coast to the Argonne.

THE ALLIES ATTACKING

FEW REMAINING TRENCHES HELD BY GERMAN

On Left Bank in Yser District — French Attack Superior To That Of Enemy — French Gain Advantage in Champagne District.

Paris, Dec. 7.—A determined offensive is now being pressed by the allies from the coast to the Argonne. The official communique issued from the war office to-day declares the French attack is greatly superior to the German and advantages are being gained over the enemy.

"The allies continue attacking the few remaining trenches held by the enemy on the left bank in the Yser region," the statement declares. "The French heavy artillery yesterday obtained the advantage in Champagne district."

British Aeroplanes Beat Zeppelins. London, Dec. 7.—The Daily Mail's correspondent in northern France describes a battle between a Zeppelin dirigible balloon and three British aeroplanes which occurred a few days ago. The Zeppelin manoeuvred clumsily and was unable to make use of her explosive. Bullets from the aeroplanes found the balloon's envelope which crumpled up.

War Tidings. An official statement describes as ridiculous the German claims of having captured enormous numbers of Russian prisoners, cannons and many guns.

On Dec. 2nd the Russian army of the Caucasus occupied the towns of Sarai-Khoi and Baschkal, in the eastern part of Turkey in Asia, near the Persian border, "as the result of battles occurring on the Dilman and Khoi routes."

Reports received in Berlin indicate that the Servians still are capable of offering considerable resistance. The Servian rear guard in the neighborhood of Arandjelovac (about forty miles southeast of Belgrade) have delivered several attacks to cover the retreat of the main army.

The British medical authorities are vigorously attacking the problem of a typhoid outbreak in the Belgian army. Orders have been issued assigning a ship for duty as a floating hospital in the harbor of Calais.

FORT HENRY IS FULL

No More Prisoners of War Can Be Accommodated.

General Sir W. D. Otter was in the city on Sunday and made an inspection of the internment camp at Fort Henry. The fort is now full of prisoners and unless some are released no more can be accommodated.

The prisoners are contented and quiet. The food supply is of good quality. It is possible that additional will be made so as to accommodate more prisoners.

Horse Rolled On Officer.

While in the act of driving his steed in the square of Tete de Pont barracks, on Monday morning, a serious accident befell Lieut. G. A. Drew. The animal reared, but the rider stuck fast to its back, whereupon the high-spirited beast rolled over and pinned Lieut. Drew to the frozen ground. It was necessary to take the officer to the militia hospital, on Queen street. Lieut. Drew is one of the short course officers stationed at the barracks.

A BIG IRISH FORCE IN THE BRITISH ARMY

More Than 130,000 With the Colors, Asserts the Nationalist Leader.

London, Dec. 7.—Speaking at a great demonstration at Tuam, Ireland, yesterday, John E. Redmond, leader of the Irish nationalist party, replied to statements that Ireland was not doing her duty in the present crisis.

He quoted official statistics showing that, despite the fact that emigration had drawn from Ireland the flower of her population, on Nov. 30th there were serving with the military forces of the crown 89,000 Irishmen, who had been in the army before the war began or who had joined as reservists or recruits.

If to that were added tens of thousands of Irish recruits who were joining the colors in Great Britain or are now in the ranks of the Canadian, Australian or New Zealand contingents, he said, it was safe to say from 130,000 to 140,000 Irishmen were with the colors.

Mr. Redmond declared that 52,000 of the 89,000 Irishmen in the home army were Catholics. He said that 10,112 Ulster volunteers had gone to the colors from Belfast, while in the same city the nationalist volunteers, who represented only a quarter of the population, had contributed 3,513 men. This, he believed, was only the beginning of what Irishmen would do.

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TO VISIT KINGSTON.

Kingston will soon have a visit from the Duke of Connaught, Premier R. L. Borden and the minister of militia who will come here on an inspection trip. Arrangements are being made for the visit, and while here the distinguished party will inspect the 21st battalion and the overseas artillery battery.

CANADIAN OIL MAN IS DEAD IN VIENNA

His Daughter Married the Son of Count Zeppelin, of Germany.

London, Ont., Dec. 7.—A cable from London to-day advised relatives here of the death, at Vienna, Austria, of William Macfarlane, millionaire oil operator. His daughter is the wife of Count Zeppelin, son of the dirigible inventor, and another daughter the wife of Col. Lavadel, of the Austrian army.

Deceased was seventy-one years old and was born at Huntington, Que. His early experience in Petroleum oil fields made him wealthy and he was mayor of Petrolia many years. On going to Europe he became a leader in the oil business. Many of his immense holdings in Galicia, especially around Cracow, have been the battle centres in the present war and his losses were enormous.

When the warship intercepted the Emden the transports bearing the Australian and New Zealand expeditionary force were within 100 miles of the German coast.

Any poker player will tell you that it is better to be flushed with victory than to be four-flushed out of it.

The one time a man never demands a receipt is when he pays a grudge.

DAILY MEMORANDUM.

City Council, 5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 7. "The Appeal," Grand 4.15 p.m. See top of page 3, right hand corner, for probabilities.

St. Paul's tea and sale, Tuesday, from 3 to 6 at Mrs. Percival's, 317 Brock st.

THE DAILY BRITISH WHIG

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BORN

GUMMER—In Kingston, on Dec. 5th, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Gummer, 137 Union St., a son.

MARRIED

ELLIOTT—FISHER—In the Church of St. John the Evangelist, Sault Ste. Marie, on Thursday, Nov. 24th, 1914, by Rev. Hardy Johnston, M. S. Francis Delachambre Doris Fisher, of Helen Mine, and Edwin F. Elliott, B.Sc., only son of Mr. and Mrs. Smith Elliott, of Kingston, Ont., but now of Helen Mine.

DIED.

SENCLAIR—Suddenly in Kingston, Ont., Dec. 6th, 1914, Archibald John Sinclair, formerly of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Funeral (private) from the residence of Lieut.-Col. R. E. Kent, on Thursday at 2.30 p.m.

WOOD—In Kingston, Dec. 4th, 1914, Edna C. eldest daughter of the late John Wood, Sydenham, aged 73 years. Funeral from her late residence, Sydenham, Tuesday, at 1 o'clock, to the vault. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

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