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A REAL GERMAN BARON

ARRIVED AT FORT HENRY ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Seventy More Germans Interred — There Are Now 515 Prisoners of War in the Fort.

At present a large force of men is at work on the Petawawa camp grounds, building a concentration camp for German, Austrian and Turkish suspects. Fort Henry is now nearly filled with prisoners of war, there being 512 over there. A lieutenant of the 14th regiment is daily detailed in charge and while there is practically no charge of everything. If prisoners arrive they are searched and everything in their pockets is taken from them. They are given credit for the amount of money that they turn over and if they want tobacco or other luxuries the cost of them is deducted from their money supply. The three lieutenants who take turns in command of the fort are W. Swaine, J. Stagg and F. Smythe. Every morning the guard of over a hundred men marches to the fort and relieves the old guard. The sentries are stationed in several places around the buildings. There are also policemen who are actually in possession of the prisoners of war. They keep order and see that no gathering is allowed that might lead to trouble.

Seventy more prisoners of war arrived from Montreal on Saturday afternoon by Grand Trunk. They were brought down in a special car in charge of an escort. One of these men had \$1,200 in cash in his pocket.

Among the seventy prisoners was a real German baron. The reason he was not sent down sooner, although he was arrested on Wednesday, was because of very important letters that he had in his pocket. He is a very well dressed man of rather military bearing and very intelligent. He goes under the name of Alfred Baron von du Rieventhal, and was interned by S. A. Carpenter, registrar of alien enemies in Montreal. The baron claims to own a farm near Sudbury having paid \$600 for it.

The reason he was detained in Montreal was because of a seven-page letter written in German he had on him addressed to Herman Ridder, whose articles in the New York States-Zeitung are well known for their pro-German nature and their bitterness for all things British.

He was caught in the waiting room among the aliens registering under new law that requires that all aliens must register before the 15th of December. When asked his reason for being in the room after his suspicious actions were noticed, he declared that he was inquiring about the German churches in Montreal.

Soldiers Handled The Students.

The students of Queen's University who participated in their annual rush, on Saturday night, had a lively time. A large body of them made a rush on the Grand Opera House, but they met with more than their match. D. Branigan, manager of the Grand, as soon as he realized that the students were bent on rushing, phoned to militia headquarters for assistance, and over three hundred soldiers were sent to the scene. In less time than it takes to tell it, these soldiers cleared the theatre entrance of rushers.

Ladies' Musical Club.

The programme gives at the meeting of the Kingston Ladies' Musical club, in Convocation Hall, Saturday afternoon, included piano solos by Mrs. W. E. Macpherson, Miss Daisy Chown, Miss Luella Hall; vocal solos by Mrs. Herbert Wood, Mrs. Phillips Macdonnell, Miss Carrie Waldron, and violin solos by Miss Christine Cochrane. The various numbers were much appreciated by the audience. Miss Phyllis Knight and Miss Jean Craig arranged the programme.

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BRIEF WAR TIDINGS

In Champagne district the French artillery concentrated the enemy's battery. Progress has been made in Argonne, also, near Varennes.

Berlin reports admit the evacuation of Varnelles, south-west of Altkirk, where the French reinforced, are pushing a vigorous offensive.

Belgrade was evacuated voluntarily, not captured by the Austrians after a battle.

Two bombs were dropped at Cetinje by Austrian aviators, but no damage was done.

King Nicholas reports the loss of one-third of the Montenegrin army, but will continue to defend the country.

Petrograd officially announces the progress of the Russian army in face of resistance from the Turks, who retired near Baschikal, leaving wounded, provisions and munitions.

The Norwegian steamer Waterloo founded off the Lizard; only three of the crew saved.

British cruiser Venus ran ashore in gale while trying to make a port in south of England; no damage.

Indications are that Germans are preparing for retirement from present battle line in Flanders before the allied offensive.

At Rotterdam despatches say German movement along the Yser is merely a feint to cover retirement, but will hold Antwerp at all cost as protection to their flank.

German artillery is being removed from Courtrai to Brussels enroute to the frontier.

King George returned to England in Torpedo boat, Saturday night. He reviewed the Belgian troops on Friday and honored King Albert.

Allied positions consolidated between Dixmude and Ypres. German communication lines between Metz and Woerwe are interfered with by French long distance guns.

COMPLAIN OF LONG SERMONS

But Will Stay In The Theatre Until Very Late Hour.

Rev. Dr. Graham, of Toronto, who preached at the anniversary services in the First Baptist church, Sunday, delivered a lengthy discourse in the evening and made a few pointed remarks about sermons. He said that he was taking a little more time than usual, for his sermon, but with a smile remarked that this was a special occasion, and that allowance should be made for it.

He said that nowadays many requests were made for short sermons. Ministers were often asked to cut down their remarks to twenty minutes, and he said it was difficult to handle a big subject in this time.

"People who complain about long sermons," added Dr. Graham, "will go to the theatre on the Monday night and stay there until eleven o'clock and still longer if it is necessary."

A Concert At Deseronto.

Deseronto, Dec. 5.—Commencement exercises of the Deseronto high school took the form of a concert in Naylor's Theatre, when Prof. G. M. Wong, of Toronto University, gave an interesting lecture on "Germany's Reasons of War." Lieut.-Col. E. Walter Rathbun was chairman. An instrumental selection was given by Miss Mary Maloney. The drill of the British empire was given by the school, each form representing different nations in costume. The theatre was crowded to the door. The money was in aid of the patriotic fund.

The box factory shut down Saturday last. The mill pond has quite a coating of ice on it. Mrs. H. R. Webster and son, "Jack," of Toronto, after having spent the summer with her sister, Miss Kathleen Prickett, returned to Toronto on Monday, accompanied by Miss Prickett.

The staff of the high school, Miss Windsor, B.A., principal; Miss M. E. Nesbitt, B.A., and Miss F. Philip, are to be congratulated on the success of their school concert. Mrs. Roy, of Toronto, accompanied by her father, Joseph Chamberlain, left, last week, for Toronto.

Warship Not In Danger.

Norfolk, Dec. 7.—Unofficial and unconfirmed reports received here early to-day stated that the warship reported in distress off Ocean City, Md., was the battleship Kansas, but that she was not in danger and was merely anchored to await the cessation of the storm sweeping the coast.

Mrs. Samuel M. Craig, Brockville, died on Friday night quite suddenly. She was an Anglican, a woman of sterling rectitude and a splendid neighbor.

The Great Northern, a \$3,000,000 steamship, built by the Cramp Ship building Co. for the Pacific mail line, was blown ashore off Fort Mifflin Pa., by a forty-mile wind Saturday, by a four-day trial trip.

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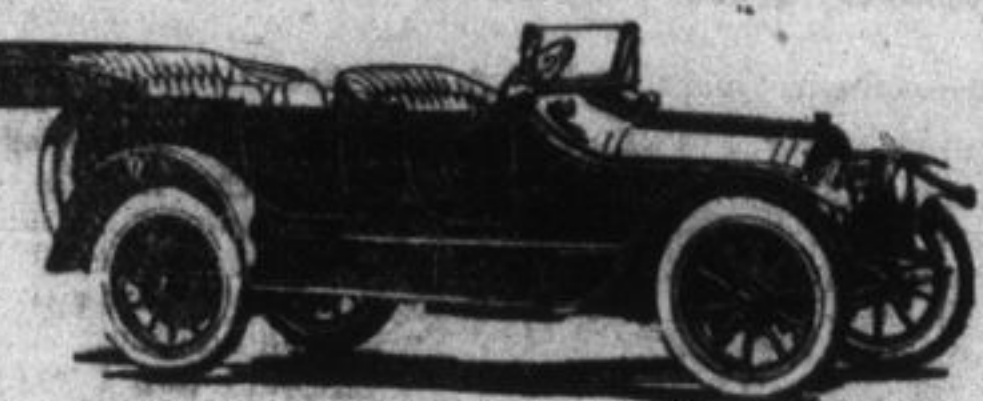
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