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GERMANY WARNS NEUTRALS AGAINST TAKING CHANCE

No Hostile Action Against Neutral Shipping.

OBJECT OF THE KAISER

TO GIVE BRITAIN TASTE OF HER OWN MEDICINE.

Latest Berlin Despatch States That German Submarines and Warships Will Endeavor to Avoid Sinking Neutrals.

Berlin, Feb. 9 (via The Hague to London).—The naval measures of Germany against British commerce are in no sense a blockade. No hostile action against neutral shipping is contemplated.

German submarines and war ships will endeavor by every means in their power to avoid sinking American or other neutral ships, and will take every precaution to avoid a mistake being made.

The proclamation of the waters around Great Britain as a war zone, like similar British measures which were taken as a precedent, is designed to warn neutrals that a ship venturing into the naval field of operations exposes itself, in the same fashion as a civilian wanders on a land battlefield, to the risk of being struck by a chance shot.

What Proclamation Means.

The above may be taken as the correct interpretation placed upon the German proclamation in competent circles in Berlin. It was stated today that it might be safely asserted that the Germans have no intention of sinking an American ship unless she is carrying contraband of war, and then only if her crew can be given the possibility of escape.

It was added, however, that war measures will be carried out against British trade with all possible severity in order "to give England a taste of her own medicine."

The warning to neutral shipping, it was asserted, was considered as particularly needed, in view of the reported order to British ships to hoist a neutral flag whenever they are in danger, an order which, if adhered to, it was stated, would make it difficult for a German war ship to discriminate between neutral and hostile shipping.

A YEAR OF SUCCESS FOR ACT.

Invoked Nineteen Times, and in Each Case Strike Averted.

Ottawa, Feb. 9.—A report on the operation of the Industrial Disputes Act for the last fiscal year states that in all the nineteen cases in which the act was invoked strikes were averted. The number of men involved was 50,876. During the same period in cases outside the act, or in which the opportunities offered by the act were rejected, by the act there were 113 strikes affecting 39,536 men, who lost 1,287,678 days.

Has Four Sons In the Service At the Front

Justice of the Peace Hunter had as plaintiff in a case heard on Tuesday a man who has four sons on active service with the Canadian and British forces. Arthur Denney is the name of the father, and his son, of the same name, is in the Royal Navy, having been on the Victoria and now on the cruiser Fox. Alfred Denney is in the Ambulance Corps with Lieut.-Col. A. E. Ross. Robert is with the Royal Canadian Regiment at Bermuda, and John is going on the second Canadian contingent with the overseas battalion from Moose Jaw.

Typhus is becoming a menace to the armies engaged against the Russians.

PEAS AND OATS DO WELL IN NORTH.

Toronto, Feb. 9.—Reports from the Government's experimental farm at Monteith, forty miles from Cochrane, are to the effect that peas and oats grown there have proved most satisfactory. Oats averaged 72 bushels to the acre, and peas yielded 35 bushels. A feature of the pea crop was that it was entirely free of the weavil, which causes so much trouble in the older sections of the province. The Department of Agriculture is naturally very well pleased at the showing, as it is one more evidence of the richness of the soil in Northern Ontario.

The Estimates Total Up to $190,329,352

Ottawa, Feb. 9.—The main estimates for the coming fiscal year, tabled in the commons late last night, provide for a total appropriation of $190,329,352, a decrease of $17,789,320 as compared with the total amount voted in both main and supplementary estimates last session. But with supplementary estimates still to come, this session's appropriations will probably equal, if not surpass, those of last year, exclusive altogether of the $100,000,000 voted for war.

Of the increased votes, $236,000 goes to agriculture, including $100,000 more in aid to the provinces for agricultural instruction and $150,000 more for the development of the live stock industry.

Very few new public works of any kind are being undertaken, but funds are provided in every case to continue work already begun or promised.

But Four British In Hotels

Berlin, Feb. 9.—According to Berlin statistics during January there were 74,343 foreigners in Berlin hotels and boarding-houses, as against 104,287 in January, 1914. Among them were 157 Americans, 103 Russians, 4 British, 28 Belgians and 494 Swedes.

ALL THE UNIVERSITIES SENDING SOLDIERS

Two New Training Companies Have Been Just Gazetted at Ottawa.

Ottawa, Feb. 9.—Nearly every university in Canada has now an officers training corps and has sent or is planning to send a quota of men to the front. Queen's University has a company in the Engineering Corps for the second contingent now in barracks at Ottawa. Some fifty Queen's men are also going with the Army Medical Corps of the second contingent.

McGill University is furnishing no less than two companies for the 38th Battalion, which is being recruited for the third contingent. They will go into training with their regiment at Ottawa in April in order to give the men time to finish their year at the university.

Two new university training companies have been gazetted. They are connected with the King's College at Windsor, N.S., and at Vancouver.

Call For Peace In June.

London, Feb. 9.— Insurance has been effected at Lloyds on the basis of a total loss being payable if peace is not declared by June 30th. A lower premium to cover this than 75 per cent. is not accepted though the rate quoted for insurance against cessation of hostilities by the end of the year is twenty-five guineas.

"WE WANT MORE MEN," TENNANT TELLS COMMONS

London, Feb. 9.—The introduction of the largest military budget in the history of Great Britain shared the stage in the House of Commons yesterday with a discussion of the activities of the official press bureau.

The task of introducing the budget fell upon the parliamentary secretary of the war office, H. J. Tennant, as Earl Kitchener, secretary of war, is a member of the House of Lords.

Two more days have been allotted to the discussion of these "army estimates," which are called a "blank cheek budget,' because the amounts of actual money which will be expended under them are represented by nominal or token figures. Under Secretary Tennant's speech was a stirring tribute to the British army and a plea for more recruits.

"Every Man Needed."

"It is true,' he said, "that recruiting thus far has been very satisfactory, but it varies from week to week, and possibly at the present moment a little more energy put into recruiting would not be out of place. There is no cause for discontent, but we want more men. Every man will needed in this great life and death struggle. The variations and vicissitudes of this war may yet call for even greater sacrifices from the nation than have yet been made."

"I shall make no forecast of the duration of the war." Mr. Tennant continues, "but I am convinced that not a single member of the house is despondent, that there is not a member but is determined that there shall be only one issue—that the allies shall dictate the terms of peace.

"The efforts of the nation are worthy of her past and the exploits and bravery of the army are worthy of rank with the most glorious records of any army at any time."

He appealed to the labor party to help organize the forces of labor so that when a man went to join the colors his place would be adequately supplied.

RUSSIANS HURL BACK THE ENEMY IN THE CARPATHIANS.

The recent official Russian statements are more favorable. The figures on this map illustrate it thus: (1) Resistance of Austrians broken and 2,500 men captured. (2) Enemy compelled to retreat from Lutoviska. (3) Austrians retreated hurriedly after crossing Tucholka and Beskid passes where they formerly had been victorious. (4) Enemy in considerable force at Pantyr Pass successfully checked.

TRUCE IS KEPT

None For the Party; All For the State.

BORDEN AND LAURIER

TAKE THE SAME HIGH GROUND REGARDING UNITY.

Loyalty to Empire and Efficient Prosecution Of the War the Dominant Thoughts — Budget Speech on Thursday.

Ottawa, Feb. 9.—Canada's political truce stands. "The war and its efficient and patriotic prosecution is the supreme issue. None is for a party and all are for the state. This was the dominant note in the great speech with which Sir Wilfrid Laurier opened the parliamentary session yesterday afternoon. Differences as to prospective imperial questions stand over, as to domestic differences, till the conflict has been won by Britain and her allies.

With his patriotic undertaking the liberal leader pressed for the keeping unsullied of Canada's good name. He drew attention to the serious allegations of fraud and mismanagement, which had resulted in Canada's young manhood being sent to serve in boots which had caused them discomfort, suffering and loss. He urged upon the government the necessity for prompt, thorough and public investigation, in order that responsibility might be placed and future offences guarded against.

Sir Robert Borden met the liberal leader on the high plane taken. He expressed appreciation of the patriotism of the opposition, and had no exception to take to Sir Wilfrid's comments concerning expenditures. He agreed that the country was entitled to all possible information, and suggested, in explanation of the boot scandal, that the goods were prepared on old specifications and had to be turned out in a hurry.

In concluding his speech the premier read an important communication just received from the Hon. Lewis Harcourt, dealing with the efficiency of the Canadian troops, and stating that their training was now completed, and they were ready to join the Patricias at the front.

Dr. Clark's Vigorous Speech.

At the evening sitting Dr. Michael Clark, of Red Deer, followed the premier in a spirited speech, in which he emphasized the oneness of purpose in the mind of all Canadians, and their united determinations, free from party considerations, to give their best in service and sacrifice to the empire. "Our task," declared the eloquent Britisher, "is to get behind the men in the trenches, and stay behind them till their task is accomplished."

Premier Borden, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and E. M. Macdonald took occasion to refer in terms of admiration to the work of Hon. Dr. H. S. Beland, who is now a prisoner of war at Antwerp. Mr. Macdonald stated that he had received direct communication from Dr. Beland, that the gallant French-Canadian had been thrice wounded while pluckily attending to the injured British marines in the firing zone at the siege of Antwerp. It was a source of pride to Canada's parliament that one of its members was the first Canadian to shed blood for the empire's cause.

The reply to the address was formally carried, and the budget speech announced for Thursday.

Members of the Indiana Equal Suffrage Association have decided to wear none but cotton stockings and cotton hosiery while the war continues abroad.

Sweaters, manufacturers' samples, $2.35; worth $5.00 to $8.50. See Livingston's window.

Rev. G. I. Campbell addressed the Young Men's Bible class in the Y.M.C.A. parlors on Monday evening on "The Unruly Member."

"Carbolic soap" at Gibson's.

KILLED BY GIRL

Charles Albert Massey Murdered in Toronto.

18-YEAR-OLD DOMESTIC

FIRED ON HIM AS HE NEARED HIS HOME.

The Cause Of the Killing Unknown —The Girl Appeared in Court, And the Case Was Adjourned for a Week.

Toronto, Feb. 9.—Charles Albert Massey, thirty-four years old, 169 Walmer Road, a son of the late Charles Albert Massey, whose family established the firm of Massey-Harris and erected the Massey Music Hall, was deliberately murdered as he turned from the sidewalk to enter his home about 6.15 o'clock last evening. Carrie Davies, an eighteen-year-old domestic employed in the Massey home, fired two shots from the verandah at her employer, one of them going wild and the second striking him in the chest close to the heart. Mr. Massey died almost immediately. The girl is held on the charge of murder.

According to the story told by the police, a newsboy named Ernest Murphy came to the door and asked for Mr. Massey so that he could collect money due him. The Davies girl told the boy her employer was not in. When he was leaving the verandah the boy saw Massey coming from Dupont street and waited for him. He got his money, and when he had walked a short distance up the street he heard a shot fired. He turned around and another shot was fired and Massey dropped on the sidewalk. The girl was said to be on the verandah then.

The girl appeared in the women's police court this morning, her face swollen and flushed after a night of weeping. She is an English girl, but her features resemble the Slavic race rather than the English. Her mouth is strong, showing strong capacity for resentment. She cried continuously in the dock.

When the charge of murder was read out to her, she collapsed and appeared to be helpless with fear. The case was remanded till a week from to-day, no evidence being taken. In the meantime, the police will investigate fully.

DEATH OF N. D. YOST.

Law Partner of Secretary of State Hugo.

Watertown, Feb. 9.—Nicholas D. Yost, 42, law partner of Secretary of State Francis M. Hugo, died last night at his home, No. 522 Washington street. Death was due to apoplexy, following an attack of heart disease with which he was stricken at his home early in the morning. Mr. Yost was found unconscious on the floor of his bedroom by his wife a few minutes after she had arisen. He did not regain consciousness.

Canadian Wins D.S.O. Medal

Ottawa, Feb. 9.— According to the London Official Gazette, a Canadian soldier, Lance-Corporal R. G. Sheale, of the First Signal company Royal Canadian Engineers, has won the decoration of the distinguished service order for conspicuous gallantry at Tour-de-Passy on Sept. 18th.

His act of gallantry consisted in transmitting messages from the top of a building which was being subjected to severe shell-firing from the German lines.

Lumber Agent Missing.

Winnipeg, Feb. 9.—The police of the entire continent are looking for Fred. Jones, formerly manager of the Imperial Elevator company's lumber yard at Conquest, Sask., who is alleged to have disappeared with approximately $11,000 of his employer's money.

PITH OF THE NEWS

Condensed Items By Telegraphic and From Exchanges

The main estimates for the year were tabled in the Commons, totalling $190,329,352.

Rear Admiral Kingsmill, of the Canadian navy, has been promoted to vice-admiral.

Rural mail delivery routes in Canada increased about fifty per cent. last fiscal year.

Earl Grey censured the republics of America for their neutral attitude toward the war.

Sir Stanley Buckmaster said no information was held back by the British Press Bureau.

Sir Francois C. S. Langelier, lieutenant-governor of Quebec, died at "Spencerwood," Quebec.

The Ontario government has given six carloads of beans to the Belgians, the value of which is $10,000.

Dr. H. S. Beland, M.P., for Beauce, is unable to leave Belgium, the German authorities refusing him his passports.

James Dixon, twenty-eight years old, colored, employed as a clerk in the Windsor post office admitted rifling letters.

Princess Zita, of Parma, wife of Archduke Charles Francis, heir-apparent to the Austrian throne, on Monday gave birth to a son.

At Brockville, the death occurred on Monday of Norman Whittemore, a retired merchant, who had reached an advanced age.

George Rochon, government candidate, was elected in Terrebonne Que., by 133 majority over Beaulieu, independent conservative, with three polls to hear from.

Princess Christian, the Duke of Connaught's sister, has graciously given Lady Williams Taylor seven pieces of her own work for Queen Mary's Needlework Guild of Canada.

In an address to the Toronto Canadian Club, Prof. A. B. Hart of Harvard University said the Balkan States would resist to the last the overlordship of Germany or Russia.

Following the return of a true bill by the grand jury, Toronto, Emile Nerlich was arrested, and his wife arrested, on a charge of high treason. Bail was granted at $150,000.

An Italian royal decree orders that the soldiers of the second category, classes of 1893 and 1894, who should have returned home, shall now be retained under the colors until May 31st, 1915.

William Redmond, member of parliament for Clare East, and brother of John Redmond, the Irish leader in parliament, has been commissioned an officer in the Royal Irish Regiment.

R. A. Prinkle, K.C., royal commissioner, reports practically substantiating the charges of F. B. Carvell, M.P., as to alleged graft in connection with the subsidy to the Southampton railway.

On Friday Mrs. John Leach, Toronto, received word that her husband, a private in the Princess Patricias, had been killed in action in France. On Saturday she received a letter from him, posted while he was still unhurt.

CHURCHILL REFUSED TO ANSWER QUESTIONS

With Regard to Some Investigations Made by the British Admiralty.

London, Feb. 9.—Rt. Hon. Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, refused, in the House of Commons, yesterday, to disclose the result of the investigation made by the admiralty into the report mentioned last week by Gershon Stewart that German submarines operating in British waters had received fresh supplies of fuel oil from a vessel direct from a British port.

Mr. Churchill said it would not be in the public interest to make this known. The export of fuel oil from this country was prohibited, the speaker declared.

He declined also to discuss the sinking of the British battleship Formidable, except to say that the admiralty had considered the circumstances of the loss of this vessel (she went down in the English channel, January 1st, with a loss of 600 men, having been struck by a mine or a German submarine) and it did not propose to hold any inquiry or courtmartial.

Other questions relating to the war asked in the house revealed the fact that thirty out of thirty-six interned German steamers had been placed in the British coasting trade with the result that freight rates have been reduced.

LIVELY FIGHTING NOW ON THE WESTERN FRONT

German Taube Was Brought Down; Aviators Killed.

FIGHT AT MANY POINTS

SEVERAL PLACES ARE BEING HEAVILY BOMBARDED.

British Artillery Again Engaged in a Furious Duel—Swaying Lines in the Forests of Argonne Where Snow Hampers Aggressive Movements.

Paris, Feb. 9—(3 p.m. Official).—French artillery brought down a German taube when it was attempting to reconnoitre the trenches along the Oise to-day; the pilot and observer were killed.

British troops operating in the vicinity of La Bassee have retaken a hill which was recently ceded to the Germans which had attacked in overwhelming force.

Activity about Serrsons continues to increase. Reports received to-day say that city, which is already almost a mass of ruins, is now being bombarded by the Germans with incendiary bombs and parts of the ruined buildings have been set on fire.

Germans are bombarding Furnes, where the Belgian headquarters have been located, with heavy guns, and in the vicinity of Ypres and Nieuport the British artillery is again engaged in a furious duel.

A battle in the forests of the Argonne region is still in progress and is characterized as very much confused by officials. The line swings back and forth like an accordion, the advantage ranging first on one side and then on the other. The woods are full of snow, which hampers aggressive movements, nevertheless the fighting is of a very fierce character.

War Tidings.

The British government stoutly maintains that the captain of the Lusitania was not ordered by government officials to use a neutral flag.

Russian military observers in Poland find in the disorder evidenced in this German retreat increasing proof of what they call the weakening of the German morale. The general consensus of military opinion in Warsaw is that the Russians will retake western Poland in the early spring.

Lieut. Price Jones, Princess Patricia's Infantry, recently wounded, underwent a successful operation at Woolwich Hospital.

The Princess Patricia's Regiment has again been in action in the trenches. Lieut. H. E. Sullivan is reported to have been wounded on Saturday last.

Lieut. George Osborne McLean, of Quebec, who came to England with the first Canadian contingent, has received a commission in Kitchener's army.

The Belgian correspondent of the Rotterdam newspaper, the Nieuc Courant, writes: "The Canadian nurses here in Flanders look very smart indeed. In the field they are everywhere, and know no danger."

Explosive bullets were used by the Germans before Warsaw.

A German aeroplane, which flew over Dunkirk, was later brought down by cannon fire.

Battle Front In Two Places Very Vigorous

Petrograd, Feb. 9.—Engagements are growing in intensity at the two extremities of the eastern battle front in East Prussia as well as in the Carpathians, according to information reaching Petrograd to-day. The same news sets forth that on the Warsaw front the battle has subsided.

A despatch, reaching here from Warsaw, says that among the prisoners taken by the Russians, in the fighting at the junction of the Bzura river, were a number of German women. According to this message, some of these women were found with rifles in their hands in the first line of trenches.

TO DISCUSS DANGERS RUN BY NEUTRAL SHIPS

Washington, Feb. 9.—Informal discussion by President Wilson with his advisers of the German notification of the dangers to which neutral ships may be subjected in the newly prescribed war zones around the British Isles, and the use by the British liner Lusitania of the American flag, foreshadowed yesterday a diplomatic correspondence between the United States and both Germany and Great Britain, respectively, on these questions.

In each case the American government, because of its neutrality, cannot discuss the rules which the belligerents may adopt towards each other. The prescription of the war zone itself, however, or the use of a neutral flag by belligerent-owned war vessels as a strategem of war, has not given the American officials concern so much as the prospect that these acts may endanger the lives of American citizens, whose right to travel on the high seas on neutral ships during time of war, it is intimated, will be vigorously defended.

Pending the receipt of the German foreign office memorandum from Ambassador Gerard and a report on the Lusitania incident from Ambassador Page no action will be taken. To-day the situation will be fully discussed at a meeting of the president and his cabinet. Formal inquiries as to what steps the German naval commanders will take to protect neutrals travelling on merchant ships and requests for information as to the use of American flags by British ships generally, it is expected, will follow.

BERESFORD'S DEMAND.

London, Feb. 9. — Lord Charles Beresford will, in the House of Commons, to-morrow, demand that Great Britain treat the German raiders on undefended places as pirates, and after trial by court-martial hang them in public for murder of women and children.

TOWNSHIP MUST PAY.

Brockville General Hospital Succeeds Against Elizabethtown.

Brockville, Feb. 9.—The Brockville General Hospital has succeeded in an action brought in the local courts against the township of Elizabethtown for the collection of a large account for the care and treatment of indigent patients. The case was the first tried here under the new law, making municipalities liable for the payment of such indebtedness. Other similar actions are pending.

A Queen's Man Had to Have Leg Amputated

The news was received here on Monday, and heard with very much regret that William Cassels Buchanan, a member of the Queen's Engineers, at Salisbury Plain, had had to have his leg amputated at the knee owing to blood poisoning, caused by a rusty nail on which he stepped while at work in the construction of the huts for the troops.

He was in the hospital for quite a time in the hope that it would not be necessary to perform the operation.

The bright young engineer is a son of Rev. J. H. Buchanan, a medical missionary in Central India, and a sister, Miss Ruth Buchanan, is in Saskatoon taking normal training. The family lived in Kingston for the past few years.

DAILY MEMORANDUM.

Band at the Palace Rink to-night.
Band at Covered rink to-night.
Choral concert, Grant Hall, 8 p.m.
"School Days," Grand Opera House, 8.15 p.m.
See top of page 3, right hand corner, for probabilities.

THE DAILY BRITISH WHIG

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BORN.

SHARMAN—In Kingston, Feb. 9th, 1915, to Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Sharman, No. 9 Fifth St., a son.

DIED.

PATTERSON—In the Kingston General Hospital, on Feb. 9th, 1915, Hattie Irene Patterson, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Patterson, aged 1 year and 7 months. Funeral from their residence, Joyceville, Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.
Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

IN MEMORIAM.

In loving memory of Ellen Brown, who died on Feb. 9th, 1914, at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Stinson.

We had a little treasure once,
She was our joy and pride.
We loved her, ah, perhaps too well,
For soon she slept and died.
All is dark within our dwelling,
Lonely are our hearts to-day,
For the one we loved so dearly
Has forever passed away.
—(Signed): FATHER, MOTHER AND GRANDPARENTS.

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