

AN ENERGETIC ASSAULT BY GERMANS REPULSED

An Attempt Was Made Near the Sea Coast.

ENEMY MOWED DOWN

BY THE RAPID-FIRERS OF THE ALLIES.

Germany, As Usual, Came On In Massed Formation—Fighting Continues In Champagne Region, But Elsewhere There Is a Lull.

(Special to the Whig.)—Paris, March 9.—The most energetic assault delivered by the Germans near the sea coast in many weeks, was repulsed by the allied troops, it was reported in despatches to war offices.

During the night, the enemy violently bombarded Belgian and French positions south of Dixmude, near Steenscrappe. The artillery assault was followed by a series of massed infantry attacks against the allied positions.

The Germans were halted before they reached the barbed wire entanglements, mowed down by rapid-firers.

The Germans have made several attacks near Reicheskopf in the Vosges, but have been repulsed. Fighting continues in the Champagne region, but elsewhere there is a lull.

SERBS DIE BY THOUSANDS.

The Frightful Diseases Were Caused By the Austrians.

London, March 9.—The Daily Chronicle publishes the following despatch from Salonika:

"Thousands are dying in Serbia, and if disease is to be stamped out a sanitary commission seems imperative."

Commenting on this the Chronicle says:

"Confirmation of our correspondent's statement was obtained from G. N. Trevelyan, the eminent Serbian and authority on the Balkans who has just returned from a tour throughout Serbia. Infectious diseases are rife and thousands are more or less afflicted. Mr. Trevelyan says:

"The Austrians are primarily responsible for this dreadful state of affairs. The diseases were partly engendered by the congestion following upon the rush of refugees from the scene of Austrian atrocities."

German Retreat From Niemen To East Prussia

(Special to the Whig.)—Petrograd, March 9.—Obstinate fighting marks the battles along the eastern front on the continent, with the Germans slowly withdrawing from the River Niemen in the direction of their own East Prussian frontier.

At the same time, the new offensive movement against Warsaw and on the Pilsna evidently has not as yet developed into the great engagement which has been expected in this locality.

MAY TRY GERMAN CREW AS A BAND OF PIRATES

The British Admiralty Does Not Feel Like According Horrible Treatment to Captured Crew of the Sunken Submarine U-8.

London, March 9.—The Board of the Admiralty does not feel justified in extending honorable treatment to the twenty-nine officers and men of the sunken German submarine U-8 on the ground that they were guilty of attacking and sinking unarmed merchantmen.

This significant statement was issued last night by the official press bureau.

The statement fails to make clear exactly what treatment will be extended to the captured Germans. There has been a persistent demand throughout England that they be hanged as pirates.

Lord Charles Beresford recently asked the prime minister in the House of Commons whether the crews of German submarines which sank unarmed merchant ships without warning would be treated as pirates.

Mr. Asquith replied that the government had the matter under advisement and was not prepared to announce its policy.

The admiralty statement refers to the general treatment accorded German officers and men saved, numbering upward of one thousand, and then says with reference to the U-8:

"This vessel has been operating in the Straits of Dover and in the Eng-

OLD TURKS PLAN PEACE

London, March 9.—Ex-Sultan Abdul Hamid, imprisoned by the Young Turks several years ago when they seized the reins of government, is free, according to a despatch from Bucharest. He has surrounded himself with numerous friends, and plans to execute an unexpected coup, it is believed that the Old Turks are planning to make peace with the allies.

A CANADIAN DEAD

Missionary Succumbs To Attack Of Black Smallpox.

Cobourg, March 9.—Word was received in town of the death in Shanghai, China, on January 18th, of Miss Elizabeth Woods, second daughter of the late William Woods, Front Road west. Miss Woods was one of the band of noble-minded young women who gave her life to the furthering of her Master's work in foreign lands. For four years she had been a missionary to Honan, and for the past seven years she had been a missionary to China. She was taken down with black small-pox, and after a week's illness passed away. Miss Woods' last coming home this summer on furlough had marked the terrible scourges of the far east interdicted.

STEVENS WOULD DAM STREAMS OF ORATORY

Vancouver Member Proposes the Time Limit on Parliamentary Speeches.

Ottawa, March 9.—H. H. Stevens, of Vancouver, wants to cut down the speeches of members of parliament to reasonable limits. Cases have been known when members have held the floor for hours at a time and Mr. Stevens wants to compel them to be brief.

He has given notice that he will urge for the appointment of a committee of the house to consider and report on the question of limiting all speeches to forty-five minutes in regular session, and twenty minutes when the house is in committee of a bill or resolution and the reply thereto, or ministers of the crown and members replying to them.

GERMAN FOOD SEIZED

Rice, Oats and Beans Sequestered at Italian Port.

Rome, via Paris, March 9.—A despatch from Genoa states that 15,000 tons of rice, oats and beans, shipped from Seville, Spain, and consigned to Germany, have been sequestered at Genoa, an Italian seaport on the Gulf of Genoa.

Max G. Anderson Dead

New York, March 9.—Max G. Anderson, millionaire theatrical manager, who controlled with Henry M. Zeigler, of Cincinnati, his partner, a chain of vaudeville houses in the middle west, died at his home, Monday, of a complication of diseases. He was fifty-five years old.

GREECE'S POLITICAL UPHEAVAL—STORM CENTRES.



KING CONSTANTINE. QUEEN SOPHIA.

A ZIZ-ZAG COURSE.

(Special to the Whig.)—Toronto, March 9.—If there was one characteristic of the late Sir James Whitney which his friends admired the most and which led the people of Ontario to place such undoubted confidence in him, it was his lack of vacillation and his straightforward directness. "He was a blunt, straightforward man."

That Hon. Mr. Hewart is of a different type is shown graphically in his own a if condemnatory phrase used in his reply to the delegation asking for the prohibition of the sale of liquor during the war. "The zig-zag path," he said, "is often the best."

This phrase is in vivid contrast to what Mr. Rowell said in reply to the Prime Minister, "This is no time for zig-zagging in the temperance movement."

Whatever restrictions the Government may make on the liquor traffic this session, such as increased fees and shorter hours, there is now admitted by the Prime Minister, what would have been recognized by the public at any rate, that those changes are only signs of a zig-zag course. They do not take the Province direct to that goal during the war which has already been reached, for example, in Russia.

Ontario politics in other issues as well as in temperance are shifting rapidly and are shaping up into a contest between the "zig-zag" Premier and a "straightforward" Opposition.

GERMANS FIRED On Ambulances Containing Wounded Canadians.

A SHATTERED THIGH WAS SUFFERED BY ONE WOUNDED CORPORAL.

(Special to the Whig.)—Toronto, March 9.—A Toronto Mail-Empire London cable says:

How the Germans fired upon an ambulance, in which 2 wounded Canadians were being conveyed to a base hospital, is told by one of the men who had received a bullet wound in the leg during a charge.

After lying wounded from midday until midnight, he was conveyed to a dressing station, and after receiving attention there he was placed in an ambulance. This was in the afternoon, and when the vehicle was half a mile from the town, with no troops or other apparatus near, the ambulance was hit by a shell which inflicted further though not serious injuries to both occupants.

A similar incident occurred when a corporal from one of the Canadian battalions was being conveyed to hospital. He had been wounded in the head, and when the shell burst upon the ambulance, the wounded corporal sustained a shattered thigh.

PROBABLE NEW MARKET.

Dutch West Indies May Import Our Products.

Ottawa, March 9.—A new market for Canadian fish, flour, potatoes, etc., may be found in the Dutch West Indies. The Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, operating between Canadian Atlantic ports and ports in the British West Indies under the trade treaty between Canada and the Indies, have decided to extend the sailings of their intercolonial steamers from Rotterdam to Surinam. This service will be carried on fortnightly for a few months as an experiment.

BRITAIN IMPORTED MORE FROM CANADA

More Than Four Millions Ahead of 1913, Though Exports This Way Less.

Ottawa, March 9.—British trade returns for the year 1914, including five months of the war, received by the Department of Trade and Commerce, show that in spite of abnormal conditions there was a considerable increase in Canada's exports to Great Britain as compared with 1913. For the full year Canadian produce sent to Great Britain was \$4,652,000 greater than in 1913, and \$22,600,000 greater than in 1912. For the final quarter of last year the British imports from Canada were approximately nine and one-half millions in excess of those of the last quarter of 1913, principally due to the large trade in foodstuffs and other supplies bought from Canada consequent upon the war.

British exports to Canada, however show a marked decline, especially during the last half of the year. The decrease for the six months in comparison with the corresponding period of 1913 was \$20,165,000. For the full year Canada's purchases from Great Britain were \$32,654,000 less than in 1913.

The increase in purchases from Canada last year are the more important when it is borne in mind that Great Britain's total imports from British possessions last year were about \$17,200,000 less than in 1913.

WILL COST TO CUSS OVER TELEPHONE

An Ontario Law is Being Framed by Hon. I. B. Lucas.

Toronto, March 9.—The telephone user forgets his good manners and uses indecent or insulting language over the phone or indulges in a little vigorous swearing, will in future do it at the expense of his pocket book.

Legislation is to be introduced by Hon. I. B. Lucas, attorney-general in the form of an amendment to the Ontario Telephone act that will make such transgression liable to a fine of \$25 and costs or 30 days in jail.

At the present time in one or two municipalities local bylaws provide for penalties for blasphemy over the phone, but as a rule the control of heated language is in the hands of the telephone companies. Where phone users use indecent or insulting language to the operators action is sometimes taken chiefly in the way of discontinuing the service, but the use of violent language between customers is seldom interfered with.

ENLISTS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Dr. Norman Gilmour, Brockville, Will Fight Germans.

Brockville, March 9.—W. A. Gilmour, collector of customs here, has received a letter from his son, Dr. Norman Gilmour, saying that he had sailed from Brisbane, Australia, and had enlisted at Durban in the South African Mounted Rifles, to fight the enemy in German West Africa.

Dr. Gilmour is a graduate of McGill University, Montreal.

Austria Calls Out Unit.

Vienna, via Rome, March 9.—Reservists between the ages of twenty-eight and forty-two years, who have been exempted because they were regarded as unfit, have been summoned to the colors. They are to report on May 6th but will undergo medical examination at once.

This measure, which has been adopted as a last resort, is causing widespread discontent, which the newspapers are striving to lessen. They quote the words of the emperor that the war is necessary to the empire's existence, especially since new enemies are threatening the frontiers, ready to tear the empire's territory to pieces.

STEADY RAIN OF FIRE FALLS UPON SMYRNA

And the City is Soon Expected to Fall.

SH'LL ENEMY'S GUNS WHICH ARE HIGH ON HILLS IN TURKISH QUARTER.

British Squadron Has Moved Into The Harbor—Battleships Are Battling Away In the Dardanelles, But It is Said the Fighting Has Just Begun.

(Special to the Whig.)—London, March 9.—Smyrna is about to fall before Rear-Admiral Pelre's fleet, according to despatches from Athens to-day. Only three Turkish land batteries are now replying to the fire of the British squadron, which has moved into the harbor, and is now shelling the enemy's guns high on the hills in the Turkish quarter of the city.

Meanwhile a steady rain of fire—a shell nearly every minute—is pouring in upon the Dardanelles forts. Aeroplanes, first used only for reconnoitering purposes, are now dropping bombs upon the smaller Turkish batteries. The 16,500-ton battleships Lord Nelson and Agamemnon are battling away at the Turkish forts, inside the strait, while the Queen Elizabeth is hurling great shells across Gallipoli peninsula in an indirect attack.

The British occupation of Smyrna is expected to be the first decisive victory in the naval war against the Sultan. With the Smyrna forts levelled, the marines will be landed under the protection of the warships' guns to seize the city. Little opposition is expected from the Turkish garrison. The admiralty again emphasized to-day that the Dardanelles fighting has just begun.

War Tidings.

Lord Grosvenor, a relative of the Duke of Westminster, is reported to be wounded, and in the hands of the Germans.

Spain's Remedy For Rapid Rise in Bread Price.

Seville, March 9.—Because of the rapid rise in the price of bread, Senor Eduardo Bate, the Spanish prime minister, has issued a manifesto permitting the free importation of grain from now until the end of June.

King Alfonso and the queen are visiting in Seville. The entire population turned out en masse to greet them.

RIGHTS OF CHINESE TO RE-ENTRY EXTENDED

Time Limit of One Year Changed to Six Months After War Ends.

Ottawa, March 9.—An order in council has been passed extending the present rights of Chinese who are native born to free re-entry within one year after leaving Canada. All Chinese who are now residing in China from Canada, or who may leave up to August 1st of this year, have their right of free re-entry extended until six months after the proclamation in the Canada Gazette that war is longer existing. The reasons given for this extension of time are that it will induce many Chinese now in Canada to return temporarily to China during war times here, thus relieving unemployment conditions in more than 6,000 Chinese out of employment in Canada, and 4,200 Chinese who have returned to China from Canada and who under existing legislation will be compelled to return to the dominion within twelve months in order to maintain their right of free-entry.

Seek Bandit's Loot.

Chicago, March 9.—Search for the hiding place of a sum supposed to be \$120,000, part of the loot in the \$317,000 robbery of the branch Bank of Montreal at New Westminster, B. C., on September 15, 1911, was begun here yesterday by a score of detectives as a result of the arrest Friday of George Webster and John Bingham, believed to be the ring-leaders in the robbery.

The Canadians Took a Trench In Hot Fight

(Special to the Whig.)—London, March 9.—The Boulogne correspondent of the Daily Telegraph writes that, from a reliable source he learns that a company of Canadians last Sunday evening, after a gallant fight against enormous odds, captured a trench near Lombarsyde. The enemy lost numbers of men but the Canadians had no casualties of any description.

To Surrender Smyrna.

Athens, March 9.—Arrivals from Smyrna say Rahim Pasha of Smyrna is determined to surrender Smyrna on the first summons. The 40,000 Turkish troops who are assembled at Smyrna are in a pitiable condition. Their uniforms are in tatters, and many of them wear no boots. They are the worst troops the Turks possess.

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APPLAUD PLAN.

(Special to the Whig.)—London, March 9.—The British press is practically unanimous, to-day, in applauding the announcements of the Admiralty that, hereafter captured crews of German submarines will be accorded special treatment. London newspapers generally took this to mean the German submarine sailors will be tried for murder.

Busy Germans Were Routed By the Russians

(Special to the Whig.)—Petrograd, March 9.—Russian infantry attacks have dislodged the Germans from several positions along the Pilsna, in southeast Poland, according to despatches from Warsaw. The Russian offensive is proceeding in the direction of Tomasz. For four days furious fighting has been raging around a chain of stone farm buildings and villages in Pilsna-Rawa region. The Germans first attacked, hoping to find a weakness in the Russian line at this point. They hurled hand grenades and attempted to storm the Russian positions by bayonet attacks but were routed. The Russians have taken the offensive along the river.

Send Two More U.S. Warships To Vera Cruz

Washington, March 9.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels to-day ordered Admiral Fletcher to send two more battleships from Guantanamo to Vera Cruz. This is expected to have a salutary effect on Carranza. The latter's capital is Vera Cruz, and the presence in that harbor of United States dreadnaughts is expected to demonstrate to him that he has a duty and responsibility which cannot be shirked.

In discussing the Mexican situation with callers to-day, President Wilson made it evident he had not considered American armed intervention.

James Reynolds' body was found by the M.C.R. tracks in Oxford township, the old man of 83 having, it is believed, slipped and fallen while walking home from church, fracturing his skull.

DAILY MEMORANDUM.

Sacred recital St. George's, 8.15 p.m. Silver collection.

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BORN.

GAGE—In Kingston, on March 9th, 1915, to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. B. B. a daughter, 219 Bagot street, a daughter.

ESHEL—In Kingston, on March 9th, to Mr. and Mrs. L. Isbell (nee Catherine Smith) a daughter.

DIED.

COOPER—In Kingston, on March 7th, 1915, Martha Matilda, widow of the late Richard Cooper, aged 75 years. Funeral from her late residence, 47 Concession street, on Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

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