

THIRD WAR SESSION OPEN

The Duke of Connaught Was Present.

SPEECH FROM THRONE

SPOKE ONLY OF THE WAR MEASURES.

The Weather Conditions Unfavorable - H.R.H. Was Attired In The Uniform of a Field Marshal.

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—The third war session of the Dominion Parliament and the sixth consecutive session since the last election was opened at three o'clock this afternoon with the usual ceremonies, including the reading of the speech from the Throne by His Royal Highness The Duke of Connaught.

IT SHOWS INCREASE

13,000,000 MORE LETTERS AND CARDS CARRIED IN 1915.

New Rural Routes—Parcel Post is Steadily Growing in Popularity.

Ottawa, Jan. 12.—Increases in letters and postcards sent, in the number of rural mail delivery routes, and money order and savings bank offices established are noted in the annual report of the Postmaster-General issued to-day.

The estimated increase in the number of letters and postcards in 1915 is 13,197,000. This is a considerably smaller percentage of increase, however, than has been the case in the past ten years, and indicates that war conditions have to some extent affected letter writing.

Turks Abduct British Colony. London, Jan. 13.—The British colony at Bagdad, consisting of two men, nine women and a number of children, has been carried off by Turks in the direction of Mosul, 200 miles distant.

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DEMAND QUICKER ARMY PROMOTION.

As Remedy For the Failure of the Gallipoli Enterprize.

London, Jan. 12.—The Times gives prominence to a plea from the front for quicker army promotions. Sir claims that the inertia which Sir Ian Hamilton attributes the failure of the Gallipoli enterprise is an inevitable accompaniment of the seniority rule of the British Army.

Only when officers prove wholly unfit for the job is the rule of seniority broken. It is claimed that the time will come when it will be recognized that the volunteer and educated citizen soldiers, accustomed to think for themselves and to be judged according to their deserts, cannot justly or safely be treated like uneducated, long-drilled men of the old army.

SAM HUGHES' APOLOGY.

Letter He Calls a Forgery is In Parliamentary Records.

Ottawa, Jan. 13.—The Citizen published an extract from Parliamentary records dated Feb. 15th, 1900, of all correspondence between Major-General Hutton and (then) Lieut. Col. Sam Hughes, relative to the latter's volunteering for South African service, which contains a copy of the letter of apology to Gen. Hutton, published in the "Life of Lord Strathcona" which Sir Sam has denied writing and characterized as a forgery. The letter is dated Oct. 27th, 1899, and is identical with that in Willson's book. It is supplemented by another note of apology, written the following day on a train returning to Cape Town.

In reply the chief staff officer writes for General Hutton, in effect, that a private apology does not suffice and that it will be necessary for him to make a formal application to be permitted to be in uniform in the previous subordinate and highly improper correspondence, through the district officer commanding. There is no reply to this, but permission is granted Lieut. Col. Hughes to have passage to South Africa on the troopship Sardinian, but no military capacity and not in uniform. In February, 1900, Gen. Hughes writes the Minister of Militia stating that Col. Hughes' anxiety to serve in South Africa and his strong sentiments of military zeal and patriotism warrant any condoning his previous indiscretions and conduct. The General recommends him for employment with the Strathcona Horse.

A HIGHER SALARY IS GIVEN PASTOR

Whose Wife Has Had Five Children in Two Years.

Boonville, Ind., Jan. 13.—Five children in two years is the record made by Mrs. Harry O. Simmons, wife of the pastor of the Yankee town M. E. Church, of this county. Twins were born a few weeks ago. Triplets were born two years ago. Two boys and a girl, the latter surviving, the twins a boy and a girl, are healthy youngsters.

REBUILDING FRANCE.

Paris to Hold Exposition of Methods and Materials.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The French Government is taking steps to provide for reconstruction following the war. The United States Commercial Agent at Paris, Professor Charles W. A. Veditz, cabled the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce to-day that there would be held in Paris during May, June and July, under the patronage of President Poincare, an exposition of methods and materials for rebuilding factories, highways, public works, village systems, city public works, private houses, hotels, farm improvements and various other works of construction. Architects, engineers, hygienists, contractors, capitalists and business men generally will participate.

ENTRIES FOR LYONS.

Free Space on Hudson Bay Steamer to France.

London, Jan. 13.—To facilitate Canadian entries at the Lyons Exhibition, the Hudson Bay Company have placed at the disposal of the Exporters' Association of Canada 50 tons of free space on a steamer sailing to a French port about January 28th. Free transportation will be granted to those applying to Secretary R. J. Younge at Montreal. Arrangements have also been made with the Canadian Pacific Railway and the agents-general of all the provinces to utilize all available samples of Canadian products now in London.

G.T.R. RETURNS UP 18 1-2 P.C.

Aggregate of Three Roads 38.8 P.C. Higher Than 1915.

Montreal, Jan. 13.—Grand Trunk gross earnings for the first week of January totalled \$880,702, an increase of \$137,180 or 18 1-2 per cent, compared with the corresponding week of last year. The aggregate of the three Canadian roads, C.P.R., G.T.R., and C.N.R., for the first seven days of the year amounted to \$2,395,802, an increase of \$320,580, or 38.8 per cent, over the same week in 1915.

COVERING RETIREMENT OF BIG ARMY.



Evacuation of Gallipoli Peninsula by Allied forces will go down in history as one of the greatest military feats of the present war. The re-embarkation was made possible by brilliant work of the gunners, who, with the loss of only a few men, kept the Turkish hordes at bay until all their thousands of comrades were safe aboard—then they blew up the guns and took to the boats in the middle of the night. The picture shows the artillery of the rear guard at the evacuation of the Suvla Bay region on the Gallipoli Peninsula some weeks ago.

TO TIGHTEN NAVAL NOOSE

Around Germany's Neck To Strangulation Point.

IN ORDER TO PREVENT

ANY SUPPLIES AT ALL REACHING THAT COUNTRY.

The Policy of Starving Germany Will Be Carried to a Further Extent Than Hitherto Found Possible.

London, Jan. 13.—Probably before the week is over there will be developments of prime importance in the world-war, directly affecting all neutral powers.

MINERS OPPOSED TO CONSCRIPTION.

Vote Unanimously Against Bill—Will Not Call Strike Just Now.

London, Jan. 13.—The National Federation of Miners, the strongest Labor Union in the United Kingdom this evening voted unanimously to oppose the Government's conscription bill.

JAPANESE PREMIER ELUDED BOMBS.

Thrown At His Automobile Evidently By German Agents.

Tokyo, Jan. 13.—Count Okuma, the Japanese Premier, had a narrow escape from death early to-day at the hands of assassins. He was returning from the royal palace shortly after midnight, and approaching his residence, when two bombs were hurled at his automobile. The chauffeur speeded up, and the bombs exploded just behind the auto. It is presumed the assassins were German agents. They escaped.

Wants Duke of Albany Expelled

London, Jan. 13.—The Duke of Albany and Saxe-Coburg, Gotha, whom the Commons wants expelled from the Lords, is a cousin of King George.

Negro Murderer Lynched.

Roxborough, N.C., Jan. 13.—A mob early yesterday lynched John Richards, a negro who confessed he murdered A. T. Gurley, a wealthy farmer near here, last Thursday. Five hundred men overpowered the sheriff and his deputies, stormed the jail, got the wrong negro, then the right one, hanged him to a bridge girder over Little River, and riddled him with bullets, while he screamed for mercy.

White House Expects Trouble.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Official despatches from Chihuahua, Mexico, to the State Department says the bodies of the seventeen Americans shot by Villa bandits arrived at that city last night.

Pro-German Hotelman Punished by Board.

License Suspended For One Month—Prof. Reithdorf Was Complainant.

Toronto, Jan. 13.—The Ontario License Board, having come to the conclusion that in the public interest it is desirable that the Board should mark its disapproval of such disloyal and unpatriotic conduct on the part of a license holder, has resolved that the tavern license now held by Charles Knapp for the Petrosburg Hotel at Petrosburg be suspended for one month, commencing on Saturday evening, January 15th.

GERMANS AGAIN FAILED.

In Surprise Attack Between Somme and Avre Rivers.

Paris, Jan. 13.—Germans in great force attempted a surprise attack against our positions between the Somme and Avre Rivers last night, but were hurled back with heavy losses, leaving scores of dead and wounded between the trenches.

U. S. Troops Ready.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Approximately five thousand American regulars are at El Paso, the nearest American point to Chihuahua City, ready for instant action should the United States decide on an expedition into Mexico to punish the bandits responsible for the massacre in which fifteen American citizens lost their lives.

Called to Conference.

Rome, Jan. 13.—Italian troops may be ordered to proceed to the aid of the hard-pressed Montenegrins within forty-eight hours. King Victor Emmanuel to-day summoned the military chiefs and members of the Cabinet into conference on the Montenegrin situation.

Has Not Been Serious.

The Illness of the Kaiser Not At All Alarming.

BRITAIN MAY FORCE HAND

Of Mexican Administration Over Brutal Murders.

5,000 U.S. REGULARS ARE AT THE BORDER READY FOR ACTION.

Secretary Lansing Wires Carranza to Punish the Offenders, But Indicates That United States Will Not Interfere.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The administration's Mexican policy hung in the balance to-day. Report of the brutal torture and murder of at least twelve men known to be native born Americans, has enraged even the men who have been advocating continuation of "watchful waiting."

It has stirred the national capitol more than anything since the sinking of the Lusitania.

England may aid in forcing the hand of the administration. The British embassy here has prevented recognition by Great Britain of the Carranza claims, and its position was that it is not in a position to protect foreign interests.

There was a Canadian among the victims of the latest outrage, and it is very certain that the British foreign office will instruct Sir Cecil Spring-Rice that in view of the assumption by the United States of responsibility for Mexican affairs, to ask what it tends to do now in the face of the cold-blooded murder of a British subject.

News of the action which the British Government will take in connection with the massacre was anxiously awaited here to-day.

Avery Couch, one British subject killed, was a native of Canada. He was employed in the mechanical department of the Cusi Mining Company.

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Bubonic in Turkish Mesopotamia.

London, Jan. 13.—A despatch from Rome says that Bubonic plague has broken out in Turkish Mesopotamia.

A Freshman Killed.

Philadelphia, Jan. 13.—William Lifson, a freshman, was killed and four sophomores were seriously injured during the annual bowl fight of the University of Pennsylvania yesterday.

Bill Passes by 431 to 39.

London, Jan. 13.—The Compulsion Service Bill passed its second reading by a vote of 431 to 39.

After lengthy conference with the Premier the Labor members of the Cabinet withdrew their resignations which were handed in a few days ago.

FAMILIAR QUOTATIONS

CHOSEN BY FAMOUS MEN AND WOMEN OF THE DAY.

They have rights who dare maintain them.

—James Russell Lowell.

—SIR EDWARD CARSON.

WILL HELP OUR TRADE

New York Barge Canal Will Benefit Canada.

DECLARES F. M. HUGO

THE NEW YORK SECRETARY OF STATE

In An Address To the New York Canadian Club—United States Has Few Advantages Canada Does Not Enjoy.

New York, Jan. 13.—"One of Canada's greatest economic problems and a menace to her future prosperity—freight rates—will be solved to a large extent by the New York Barge Canal," the Secretary of State, F. M. Hugo, a native of Kingston, Ont., told the members of the Canadian Club last evening at their banquet in the Baltimore Hotel.

"Over half of the 30,000,000 bushels of Canadian wheat exported in 1913," explained Mr. Hugo, "reached the Atlantic Ocean through Buffalo and New York and with the greatly enlarged transportation capacities of the new canal, a big increase in the wheat export trade by way of New York City may be expected."

Mr. Hugo, who is a member of the State Canal Board, in charge of the completion of the project, addressed the society upon a number of subjects of current interest, particularly those affecting closer bonds between Canada and the United States.

"Social fusion at present is very complete," said Mr. Hugo, "for we meet in both countries as one people and neither forts nor soldiers, nor vessels at war on the Great Lakes, separate us. Canadian and American descent is common in history, literature and religion. Our ideals are one. Our hopes and fears are one. Our enemies are the enemies of civilization. We stand for progress, peace and concord among the nations of the world."

Pledge of Amity.

"This much further may be ventured: that the presence of so many Canadians in the United States and of Americans in the Dominion is a pledge of all greater value now in this country where, unlike Europe, no warring factions are at present struggling to disrupt and where, for this very reason, it is inconceivable that in moments of popular excitement, these two nations should believe that even a selfish national policy of either is necessarily hostile in intent."

Comparing economic conditions Mr. Hugo pointed out that the United States has few advantages that Canada does not enjoy, no soil or territory that Canada cannot nearly match with her own. Turning to the early history of America, he explained that it was the Canadian explorers, who first opened the Western trade routes from Hudson Bay to Louisiana, two centuries before the United States were yet explored.

"These pioneers," said Mr. Hugo, "laid the foundation for the line of great cities in the Middle West. Since that time, millions of Canadians, over 2,000,000 from 1850 to 1900, have moved across the American border and now approximately 800,000 of them are engaged in business or industry." (Continued on page 2.)

DAILY MEMORANDUM

Band at Covered Rink to-night.

Band at the Palace Rink to-night.

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Joint installation of the officers of the Kingston and London Lodges of A.O.U.W. to-night at 7 o'clock. Bro. Longmore, D.D.G.M., will install. Refreshments at the close.

BORN.

ANGLEN—On January 9th, 1916, to Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Anglen, a daughter.

MARRIED.

DOWNEY-DECKIE—In Kingston, on Jan. 12th, at the home of the groom, 219 Division street, by Rev. C. A. Jones, Miss Edith Dickie, daughter of George Bain Dickie, of Manchester, England, to Rupert Lawrence Downey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Downey, Kingston, Ont.

DIED.

EMERY—At 272 Queen street, Kingston, Ontario, George Helen Emery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Emery, in her eighteenth year. Funeral (private) at 9:30 Friday morning at St. Mary's Cathedral. Napolean papers please copy.

WEBB—At Seely's Bay, on Jan. 12th, 1916, Maria Forrester, beloved wife of the late Michael Webb, Esq. Funeral Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

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