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"WE WANT BREAD" 300 WOMEN CRY

Stormed the City Hall in New York to Seek Relief.

THEY WERE SCANTILY CLAD

AND HELD HUNGRY BABIES IN THEIR ARMS.

Mayor Mitchell Was Not Available, But He Will Grant the Women an Interview on Wednesday.

(Special to the Whig.)

New York, Feb. 20.—Crying "We want bread, we want bread," more than 300 women bare-headed, and scantily clad, their warmest garment being a shawl thrown about their shoulders, stormed up the steps of the City Hall here to-day to demand relief from Mayor Mitchell from the high cost of food. The mayor was not available.

Some declared their families were starving. Most of the women carried babies, their faces showing the pinch of hunger, in their arms. The women were headed by Mrs. Ida Harris and Marie Ganz, known as "Sweet Marie." The latter was arrested subsequently.

The women later returned to their homes, after being promised an interview with the mayor to-morrow.

TO INTRODUCE WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

(Special to the Whig.)

Toronto, Feb. 20.—It is understood that at the Conservative caucus to-day it was decided to introduce women's suffrage immediately.

ATKINS IS READY FOR THE BIG LOAD

The New British Army Is Fully Prepared for Great Work.

London, Feb. 20.—During the proverbial calm before the storm, which is certain to break, the public is anxiously awaiting the next step by the army in its campaign along the Ancre. France is no less keenly interested, for the French frankly admit that Britain is now bearing the whole weight of the offensive work in the west.

France's share in the future fighting will be large, though perhaps not as great as in the past. But the new British army is prepared to shoulder most of the coming burdens, realizing that the drain of France has been almost staggering.

CONSERVATIVES IN CAUCUS.

Debating Over Measures Before the Legislature.

(Special to the Whig.)

Toronto, Feb. 20.—Conservative members of the Legislature were in caucus for two hours and a half today. In addition to the extension of the franchise to women and soldiers, it is understood the Government's bill authorizing the appointment of a commissioner of agriculture was also the subject of debate.

EXPLOSION OF OIL

Resulted in Gassing of Number of Men.

(Special to the Whig.)

Ottawa, Feb. 20.—Three men are in a hospital gassed, and twenty-four are reported suffering from fumes in which is said to have been an explosion of crude oil in the National Manufacturing Company's plant here shortly after noon to-day.

Tamworth Man Stricken.

Tamworth, Feb. 20—George Dean, farmer, seventy-one years of age, died suddenly on Monday from heart failure.

WHOEVER PENETRATES BARRED ZONE PERISHES

Is the Boast Made From Berlin as to the Submarine War.

(Special to the Whig.)

Berlin, Feb. 20.—"It must be repeated again that whoever dares penetrate the barred zone perishes," declared the official Government Press Bureau to-day, in a statement discussing the British claims that the submarine war has failed.

It's Up To Austria.

(Special to the Whig.)

Amsterdam, Feb. 20.—American Ambassador Penfield at Vienna has asked the Austro-Hungary Foreign Office what attitude that Government is taking on the submarine warfare, despatches from the capital declared to-day.

SIX OF FAMILY BURNED TO DEATH

In Alberta Fire — Two New York Women Also Meet Death in Flames.

(Special to the Whig.)

Tabor Albert, Feb. 20.—Six members of the family of Frederick Dose, a wealthy German farmer, were burned to death to-day when a stove in their home overturned. Gas from the stove overcame the family and prevented their escape from the burning building.

Women Burned to Death.

(Special to the Whig.)

New York, Feb. 20.—Two women were burned to death, two others are believed dying and six others had a narrow escape when fire swept the three-storey apartment house at East 128th street to-day. A defective furnace is blamed.

PERSHING TO SUCCEED.

Will be in Charge of Department of South.

(Special to the Whig.)

Washington, Feb. 20.—Major-Gen. John J. Pershing, the latest man in the United States army to attain that rank, is expected here to-day to be given permanent command of the Department of the South, succeeding Major-General Frederick Funston. Pershing automatically passed into the temporary command of the department with the death of Funston.

AFTER COMPENSATION

For the Loss by Torpedoing of a Swedish Steamer.

(Special to the Whig.)

Copenhagen, Feb. 20.—The Swedish minister at Berlin has been instructed to make formal protest to Germany with a demand for compensation for the loss by torpedoing of the Swedish steamer Varing. Announcement to this effect was authorized to-day.

TO ASK SAFE CONDUCTS

For Passage of U.S. Boats to Beirut For Americans.

(Special to the Whig.)

Washington, Feb. 20.—This Government will shortly ask Turkey to obtain safe conducts from Austria and Germany for the passage of the United States naval collier Caesar and the gunboat Des Moines to Beirut, where about 1,000 Americans are awaiting transportation home.

FRENCH MAKE SURPRISE RAID

North of Flirey and Capture Many German Prisoners.

(Special to the Whig.)

Paris, Feb. 20.—Many prisoners were captured in a surprise raid north of Flirey and west of Waterville, the French War Office statement declared to-day.

In the Oise and Aisne regions there was considerable artillery firing, but elsewhere it was calm.

Will Assist Dr. Creelman.

Toronto, Feb. 20.—W. R. Rook, B.S.A., a graduate of the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph, has been appointed assistant Commissioner of Agriculture for the province, Mr. Rook will be the assistant to Dr. Creelman, the new commissioner.

... OFFICIAL WAR STATEMENTS ...

British.

London, Feb. 19.—"We carried out a successful raid this morning east of Souchez," says the official report from British headquarters in France Monday night. "A hostile mine shaft was blown up and several occupied dug-outs were destroyed. We took a few prisoners.

"Beyond the usual artillery activity on both sides, there is nothing further to report."

French.

Paris, Feb. 19.—The official communication issued by the War Office Monday night read:

"The activity of the two artilleries was quite marked in the sectors of Avocourt, Cote du Poivre and Bezonvaux. Our batteries effectively shelled the German organizations north of Damloup.

Inn Alsace a surprise attack against the adversary lines at Barenkopf, north of Munster, enabled us to capture 10 prisoners."

Russian.

Petrograd, Feb. 19.—The War Office reports:

"During Saturday night the enemy discharged four gas waves on our positions in the vicinity of Dubatovka, south of Lake Wishenew.

"Rumanian and Caucasus fronts—Scouting reconnaissances and infantry firing are proceeding."

Italian.

Rome, Feb. 19.—"On the whole front there were the usual artillery actions and minor skirmishes," says Monday's official announcement. "We took some prisoners."

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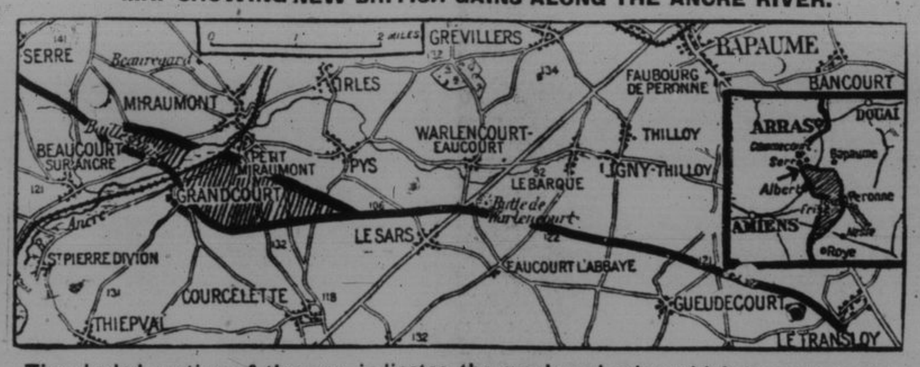
MAP SHOWING NEW BRITISH GAINS ALONG THE ANCRE RIVER.



The shaded portion of the map indicates the week-end gains which brought the British closer to Petit Miraumont which ensures the fall of both Miraumonts. The shaded portion of the small map inset to the right shows the total Somme gains to date, the arrows indicating the present offensive.

PROPER TIME NOT ARRIVED

Wilson to Await Further Developments of the Policy of Germany.

NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE

TOWARDS ASKING CONGRESS FOR AUTHORITY

To Protect Americans and Their Ships From Illegal Submarine Attacks—Wilson to Speak on the 4th of March.

Washington, Feb. 20.—There were strong indications to-day that unless some sensational development precipitates immediate action, President Wilson's next step in the crisis with Germany will be postponed until a few days before Congress adjourns for the session a week from next Sunday.

The belief still is prevalent in official quarters and at the Capitol that the President intends to ask Congress for authority to protect Americans and their ships from illegal submarine attacks, and, as he is known to want no extra session if it can be avoided, it is regarded as certain that he will address a joint meeting of the Senate and House before March 4. It was stated authoritatively again, however, that nothing toward that end had been done since the President visited the Capitol and discussed the subject with Senators Saturday evening.

Although recognizing the existence of minority opposition in both Houses to a resolution which would give the President authority to deal with any emergency that might arise after adjournment, administration leaders are satisfied that if such power is sought it will be given. The minority contention is that the executive now has power to use the nation's armed forces short of war, and that if necessary the new Congress could be called into session quickly.

RUN DOWN HEADS OF SPY SYSTEM

Secret Service Men Arrest Two Germans in New York.

New York, Feb. 20.—Agents of the Department of Justice arrested here last night two men charged with violating the Federal law against carrying on a military enterprise against a foreign country. They are accused of conspiring to obtain military information in England to be sent to this country and then forwarded to Germany.

The men gave their names as Albert A. Sander and Charles W. Wunnenberg.

The federal agents' investigation is said to have involved at least fifteen so-called newspaper men employed by Sander and Wunnenberg and ordered by them to England and Ireland. The military data gathered by them was brought to this country, it is charged, by some of their number travelling as American citizens. Women frequently were used sometimes innocently, it was said, to carry this information.

GERMS OF ANTHRAX IN SHAVING BRUSHES

British Government Enters Suit Against Canadian Firm.

Montreal, Feb. 20.—The British War Office has entered suit against the firm of Caverhill, Learmont & Co. to recover $2,100 said to represent the value of a shipment of shaving brushes forwarded to the forces of the King. It is claimed that the brushes were infected with germs of anthrax. They were purchased from an American manufacturer by the local firm and forwarded overseas direct from the factory. George Caverhill, of the defendant firm, says the brushes were accepted by a representative of the British War Office, and were not seen at all by Caverhill, Learmont & Co.

Newfoundland Fishing Vessels Sunk.

(Special to the Whig.)

London, Feb. 20.—The Newfoundland fishing schooner Mayola (146 tons) and Dorothy (57 tons) have been sunk, it is announced to-day.

JAPAN AND THE U. S. ARE MORE FRIENDLY

The War Has Drawn These Two Nations Closer Together.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Relations between the United States and Japan are more friendly, but this is principally due to the war-created conditions and not to any recent developments in the immigration situation, Japanese Ambassador Sato declared yesterday.

There have been no recent exchanges in diplomatic channels, Baron Sato said, to affect the immigration question. But the European war has increased the friendly feelings between the countries and the immigration discussion has been at least temporarily set aside. The recent firm stand of the United States against Germany's submarine warfare has cemented this friendship, according to Baron Sato.

Further reasons assigned by the Japanese envoy for more friendly relations are the doubling of commerce between the two countries since the war started and attempted co-ordination of efforts in the development of China.

LONG AND HARD ROAD.

For Germany in Regard to its Food Supply.

London, Feb. 20.—Dr. Karl Helfferich, German Imperial Vice-Chancellor, speaking at a plenary meeting of the German Agricultural Council, is quoted by Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent as saying:

"England's war of starvation has from the first brought clearly before the eyes of the German people the fact that Germany stands or falls with its agriculture. Owing to the activity of the submarines and the failure of the harvests, England, too, is thrown back upon her agriculture, and while I believe the English farmer will do his utmost to meet the situation, I prophesy his failure."

War Tidings.

Age and exemption limits will be revised to add another million Britishers to the army.

A Dutch despatch declares three Zeppelins were lost in a storm over the North Sea Monday.

At Baltimore Lord Furness said that Britain is building two ships to every one sunk by Germans.

Berlin newspapers are urging good Germans to sell all their gold and jewelry and buy Government bonds.

Three American women have arrived at Berne after being subjected to very rough treatment by Germans.

There is heavy artillery firing all along the western front. A big Allied advance is expected at several points.

British troops, Saturday, occupied two Turkish front lines at Sannaiyat, in Irak, but the Turkish counter-attacks forced a withdrawal.

LAW STOPS THEM.

Women To Be Substituted For Men Behind Lines.

(Special To The Whig)

London, Feb. 20.—Australia and India have passed laws that no women or children shall leave for England till the war is over.

London, Feb. 20.—Women will be substituted for men in many service posts behind the lines in France.

MAJOR-GEN. FUNSTON DEAD.

United States Commander Passes Away Very Suddenly.

LATE MAJOR-GENERAL FUNSTON.

(Special to the Whig.)

San Antonio, Tex., Feb. 20.—Major-General Fred Funston, commander of the United States troops on the Mexican border died suddenly here on Monday.

Smallpox and spotted fever are rampant in many German cities.

LIBERAL LEADER URGES THE CARE

Of the Returned Soldiers—Greater Opportunities Should be Provided.

MONEY SPENT IN ENGLAND

COULD BE USED TO BETTER ADVANTAGE HERE.

No Land Has Been Designated to the C. N. R. by the Province—Cost of Government House Is Given.

(Special to the Whig.)

Toronto, Feb. 20.—The cost of Government House, Toronto, figured in the proceedings of the Legislature yesterday afternoon. Hon. F. G. Macdiarmid informed Charles M. Bowman that the site had cost $148,118.77, improvements $182,596.23, cost of building $650,261.78, other buildings $35,657.01, and furnishings, including electric fixtures, $63,470.29.

The urgency of making complete preparations for the care of the large numbers of soldiers returning to Canada was brought to the attention of the Legislature when N. W. Rowell, Liberal leader, moved for copies of correspondence between the Provincial and Federal Governments in reference to the care of the returned men. Mr. Rowell thought that instead of providing additional accommodation for men at the Orpington, England, Hospital, maintained by the Ontario Government, it might be to greater advantage to increase the accommodation in Ontario and make the expenditure at home.

Provide Greater Opportunities.

He also claimed that greater opportunities should be provided to the men who have returned, to become trained for some occupation which they might take up, despite their infirmities, thus enabling them to return to normal life again. He paid a tribute to the zeal and energy which Hon. Mr. McPherson, chairman of the Soldiers' Aid Commission, had applied to the work.

Hon. W. D. McPherson outlined the work of the Soldiers' Aid Commission, and the arrangement under which it worked with the Military Hospitals Commission. All the expenses of vocational training under the Soldiers' Aid Commission of Ontario was borne by the Military Hospitals Commission. Mr. Nicol, the vocational officer, had opened classes in Toronto, Hamilton, London and Ottawa, and other classes were also to be opened in Kingston. A total of 554 returned men were attending these vocational classes.

No Lands to C. N. R.

Hon. G. Howard Ferguson informed Mr. Rowell that no lands had been designated to the Canadian Northern Railway by the Province.

Mr. McPherson added that 5,400 Ontario men had returned and passed through the commission's hands, and of these about 50 per cent. had been provided with employment. A factory for the making of artificial limbs had been established on Buchanan street, and the returned men engaged therein had become quite expert limb-makers. As a consequence of the product of this factory Ontario would soon be entirely independent for its source of supply of artificial limbs for returned men. The artificial limbs were supplied free of expense to the men requiring them. Within the next two or three months between 15,000 and 20,000 men would be returned to Canada. Ontario was fully prepared to take care of her quota.

TAKE BELL FROM RHEIMS

To Italian Capital as Symbol of French Heroism.

Paris, Feb. 20.—Delegates from the French Parliament left here last night for Italy to attend a conference with their Italian colleagues. They took with them a bell from Rheims Cathedral and a stone from Vaux Fort, Capitol at Rome as smybols of French heroism.

Freedom of City.

(Special to the Whig.)

Nottingham, Eng., Feb. 20.—Flight Commander Albert Ball, D.S.O., aged nineteen, who has brought down twenty-nine German aeroplanes, was given the freedom of this city.

THE WORLD'S NEWS IN BRIEF FORM.

Tidings From All Over Told In a Pithy and Pointed Way.

After being closed for over four weeks Almonte schools opened on Monday last, the epidemic of measles having somewhat subsided.

While on his way to see his dying wife at St. Francis Hospital, Quebec, Joseph Gagnon tripped on the trestle near the Exhibition Grounds and was instantly killed by a street car.

Four of the Ottawa separate schools failed to open their doors Monday morning, and three more closed Monday night, owing to the failure of the coal supply.

Three ships which passed through the war zone arrived at New York on Monday afternoon. They were the Sebastian, from Spain; the Noordyij, from Rotterdam, and the Bankiladijke, from Rotterdam.

Twelve steamships, one of them flying the American flag, sailed from the United States Monday for European ports which will necessitate their passage through the "prohibited zone" announced by Germany.

There are 100,000 spies in the United States, Senator Lee Overman declared on the Senate floor on Monday, during debate on the Espionage Bill for protection against the operations of spies and malefactors in time of war.

Contracts for United States navy projectiles which had been let to Hadfield's, Limited, an English concern, were on Monday given to the Midvale Steel Company, the Washington Steel and Ordnance Company and the Crucible Steel Company.

The Duke of Devonshire, accompanied by the Duchess and their daughters, leaves to-night for a week's visit to Toronto. From there the Vice-regal party will go to Winnipeg on the 26th and remain there till March 10, when they will return to Ottawa.

GERMANS OFFER REWARD

For Capture of Captain Who Sank a Submarine.

Baltimore, Feb. 20.—In spite of the fact that there is a reward of nearly $30,000 on his capture, offered by the German Government, Captain William Miller, of the Clan Line steamship Clan Robertson, left here today for New York to make arrangements to take a general cargo to England. The Clan Robertson will go right into the submarine zone again, but she will be well armed.

The naval reward offered by the Germans for the capture of Captain Miller was brought about by the sinking of a U-boat in the Bay of Biscay some time ago, when he was captain of the steamship Clan Macfadyan. Two shots fired from Captain Miller's vessel struck the submarine amidships and she sank immediately. No trace of the crew was found, although the Macfadyan made a careful search.

Captain Miller and his crew were honored by the British government, the captain receiving $5,000.

THERE ARE 1,425,000

Teutonic Aliens in the United States at Present.

Washington, Feb. 20.—There are in the United States to-day approximately 250,000 unnaturalized Germans and 1,075,000 Austrians and Hungarians who still are aliens. These are the residents of the country who would be subjected to the rules of war in the event of developments more serious than a break in diplomatic relations. But the treaty with Prussia would exempt the German citizens from molestation for nine months after war is declared, and German merchants may depart without restriction. The same applies to Americans in Prussia.

The foregoing figures are based upon the number of unnaturalized immigrants from the Central Powers in the United States at the time of the last official census and on immigration from those countries up to January 1.

DEATH CAME SUDDENLY.

Samuel Eamer Died on Saturday Night at Cornwall.

Cornwall, Feb. 20.—Death came suddenly to Samuel Eamer, a well-known resident of Beaconsfield, Cornwall, on Saturday night. Mr. Eamer was in his room resting before going on the 11 p.m. shift at the Toronto Paper Company's mill. About 9.30 his daughter called him; she heard a moan and thinking he was just awakening went on with her work. Shortly after she went to her father's room and found him dead in bed.

The late Mr. Eamer was born at Eamer's Corners sixty years ago. He has made his home in Cornwall for the past twenty-eight years. His wife predeceased him fifteen months ago.

DEATH OF WILLIAM DONNAN.

Resident of Huntingdon Succumbs to Septicaemia.

Peterboro, Feb. 19.—William Donnan, one of the best known farmers of the Township of Huntingdon passed away on Saturday after a few days' illness from blood-poison. The disease originated in a slight abrasion of one of his hands.

Deceased was born near West Huntingdon about fifty years ago and was the eldest son of the late Joseph Donnan. He is survived by his wife, and two sons, who reside at home and one daughter, Mrs. Chambers, Crookston.

Found Dead in Bed.

Port Hope, Feb. 20.—James Aboth was found dead in bed at his home in Port Granby. Deceased was seventy-four years of age, and one of the oldest residents of the village.

PRESS BRIBERY CHARGE FAILS

Representative Moore Talks Noisily in House of English Gold.

APPLAUSE OF PACIFISTS

EFFORT TO OBTAIN CONSIDERATION OF INQUIRY FUTILE.

His Charge Was That Twenty-five American Newspapers Have Been Subsidized by English Money to Drag the United States Into War.

New York, Feb. 20.—An Associated Press despatch from Washington says:

In another futile effort on Monday to obtain consideration of his resolution to investigate charges that twenty-five American newspapers had been subsidized by English money to drag the United States into war with Germany, Representative Moore of Pennsylvania gave the House a busy and noisy half hour. He thundered that his resolution should be adopted, defied one Washington newspaper to show why the tone of its editorials regarding the war had changed, charged Representative Lenroot, of Wisconsin, with uttering a "deliberate falsehood" about him, and then defeat being apparent, shouted that he would continue his fight "to-morrow," and "the next day."

Pacifists applauded Mr. Moore's remarks loudly.

CANNOT BE SENT.

No Printed Matter For War Prisoners.

Ottawa, Feb. 20.—An order by the Post Office Department just issued says that no newspapers, books, magazines or printed matter of any kind are to be sent from Canada to prisoners of war interned in neutral or enemy countries.

Peterboro Review Company.

Ottawa, Feb. 19.—The Canada Gazette announces the incorporation of the "Peterboro Review Company," to acquire the business of the Peterboro Review Printing and Publishing Company, now in liquidation. The new company's capital is $60,000, and its provisional directors are Thomas F. Matthews, James Kendry, James Lynch, Albert H. Stratton and Edward A. Pock, all of Peterboro.

Fell From Load of Hay.

Port Hope, Feb. 20.—Nicholas Dodds, one of the most prominent farmers of the township of Hope, fell from a load of hay and received very serious injuries. His spine is injured, and he is totally paralysed from his shoulders down.

Canners' Prices Better.

Cobourg, Feb. 20.—The British Canadian Canners will operate their factory here the coming season, and are now arranging for products. The prices offered farmers to contract are higher than last year.

DAILY MEMORANDUM

Band at Palace Rink tonight.
Band at covered rink tonight.
See top of page 3, right hand corner for probabilities.

THE DAILY BRITISH WHIG

Is on Sale at the Following City Stores.

Ahern, Joseph, Jr. .... 308 Montreal St.
Bucknell's News Depot .. 295 King St.
Clarke, J. W. & Co. .... 353 Princess
College Book Store .... 162 Princess
Coulter's Grocery .... 209 Princess
Cullen's Grocery, Cor. Princess & Alfred
Frontenac Hotel .... Ontario St.
Gibson's Drug Store . Market Square
McAuley's Book Store .... 88 Princess
McGall's Cigar Store, Cor. Prin. & King
McLeod's Grocery .... 51 Union St. W.
Medley's Drug Store .. 359 University
Paul's Cigar Store .... 76 Princess
Prouse's Drug Store .... 312 Princess
Southcott's Grocery .... Portsmouth

BORN.

PORTER—In Hotel Dieu Hospital on Feb. 20, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. F. Porter, 115 Lower Bagot street, a son.

MARRIED.

GORDON-SLOAN—In Picton, on February 7th, 1917, by Rev. Alfred Brown, Joseph E. Gordon of Delisle, Sask., to Jennie B., second daughter of Samuel Sloan, Sunbury, Ont.

DIED.

KELLIHER—In Kingston, at the family residence, 150 Lower Bagot St., on February 20th, 1917, Mary A., eldest daughter of Mrs. W. Kelliher. Funeral notice later.

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Thine the guns—the guns of Canada!—
The ships are forming into line,
And Canada will be there.
— ALFRED NOYES.