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CANADIANS CARRY OUT FOUR BRILLIANT RAIDS British Take Another German Position Near Grandecourt

Neighborhood of Grande-

court.

AIM AT MIRAUMONT

Field Marshal Haig's Forces

Take More Prisoners Near

Beaucourt.

British drive being towards Mirau-

In clearing the positions captured

east of Beaucourt the British found 48

"On the Somme front our line ad.

vanced during the day in the neigh-

both sides on the Somme front and also in the Ypres sector. We carried out an effective bombardment of the

enemy positions at a number of

"Yesterday bombs were dropped by

us on an enemy aerodrome. Considerable damage was seen to have been

more Germans, including two officers, and they made them prisoners.

The report from British headquarters in France tonight reads:

Hope Still Felt That War With Germany May Be Avoided.

ATTITUDE OF WAITING

sidered Likely to Bring About Clash.

may bring the United States to war sident Wilson and his advisers at today's cabinet meeting. The faint hope that Germany after all might modify her new sul-marine campaign so as to America was touched upon, as was the bable position of other neutrals. But most of the cabinet's attention was given to reports by each member upon the energetic efforts of his department of the government to pre. pare for war if it is to come.

Preliminary reports of the sinking the British steamer Favestone and the killing of an American negro sea-man are not regarded as establish-ing such a case as would be the sig-nal for hostilities. A brief desputch from Consul Frost at Queenstown today announced the destruction of the saller by shells striking a boat which had just left the vessel.

Await Complete Report. A complete report will be awaited, but officials believe that circumstances attempt on the part of the Eavestone to resist or escape from an attacking submarine. There also is involved the question of whether the ship was in the service of the British Government. The consul's desnatch referred to her as a "provisional collier." but as the term collier is used abroad in speaking of coal carriers generally, not much significance is attached to the consul's description. Moreover, it is suggested that the message might have been garbled by skeletonizing for

Will Not Consult Berlin. The position of the government was (Concluded on Page 10, Column 5).

TO FIND EMPLOYMENT FOR MEN AFTER WAR

Soldiers' Civilian Occupations to Be Recorded Upon Pay ... Books.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.
London, Feb. 6.—Orders have been given among the Canadian command for each man's trade or usual civilian upation to be entered in the pay beck with a view of placing him in employment after the war. No soldier will in future be allowed to embark for Canada for any purpose unless he has a medical certificate stating he is free from infectious or venereal dis-

Further orders have issued that all representations to the German Government with the object of having respected the previous guarantee regard.

MANY STEAMERS SUNK BY MINE OR TORPEDO

Ninety-six Passengers of British Passenger Ship, Port Adelaide, Picked Up-Only One Survivor of Belgian Relief Steamer, Lars Kruse.

or more vessels, including several be1,171 tons net. She was last reported longing to neutral countries.

Lloyd's reports that the British steamship Port Adelaide carrying pas-Eavestone Incident Not Con- of the passengers and crew have been rived at Fayal, Azore Islands, Jan. 2 Port Adelaide was captured.

\$,181 tons gross, built in 1911 and ship Floridian, of 4,777 tons gross Washington, Feb. 6.—Every phase of the situation which at any hour of the situation which at any hour she left first Noted for Delast, when she left Fort Natal for Dakar. The Russian steamer Cerera, 3,512 tons gross, is believed to have been sunk, Lloyd's also reports. The admiralty informs the Associ-

ated Fress that there is only one sur-vivor of the crew of the Lars Kruse, German submarine. known to have been saved.

The Central News announces

been torpedoed by a German submarine, and that the Norwegian ship.

Thor II, has been torpedoed. The Thor II. has been torpedoed. The crews of the two steamers were landed. The Swedish steamer Bravalla, 1.553 tons, has been sunk by a submarine,

according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch. The crew, altho fired upon

RELIEF HELD BACK

run Territory in Peril of

Starvation.

FOOD SHIPS KEPT OUT

That Relief Work Can

Go on.

London, Feb. 6.—Reports were re-ceived today of the sinking of a down

picked up at sea. The captain of the tons. She was last reported at Fayal. ort Adelaide was captured.

An earlier Lloyd's statement report.

The Port Adelaide was a steamer of ed the sinking of the British steam. Liverpool. She was 385 feet long. Another steamer believed to have

as having sailed from New York, Dec

been sunk is the British steamer Wartenfels, of 4.511 tons gross Lloyd's also announce the sinking of the British ship Warley Pickering, the Belgian relief ship sunk by a of 4.19: tens gross. It was built at No others are Middlesbrough in 1902, and was 365 feet long.

The admiralty announces that the crew of the British steamer Euphrates,

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

London, Feb. 6.—The British sailing vessel Belford, 1:05 tons has been sunk. Lloyd's Shipping Agency abnounced today. She was last reported sailing from Sanfrancisco on Aug.

boats, landed safely.

Lloyds Reports Losses.

Lloyds reports that the following vessels are supposed to have been sunk: Norwegian steamer Rigel, 22 of her crew picked up at sea; Norwegian baroue Wasdale, 19 of her crew picks.

Ex-President Taft Advocates U. S. is Hopeful, However, Mild Form of American Conscription.

London. Feb. 6.—An official of the Belgian relief committee is quoted by of Aberdeen, former governor-general of Canada, in an address at a dinner of the league to enforce peace here tonight, declared that every British that if the steamers are held many subject could join in the welcome days longer the Belgians and Franch "which has been so widely and heartiin the territories occupied by the Ger- ly accorded in Great Britain to the announcement that the United States has taken up the challenge passed OFFICERS AND RANKERS down by Germany, and thus leading the neutral nations in championing enforcement of respect for international law and right. Former President W. H. Taft, who also spoke, reasserted his declaration

States military strength adequate.

peace breaker that comes out."

That Germans Had Advance Information.

Special to The Toronto World. Boston, Feb. 6 .- According to information received here today by port officials, instructions were received on Thursday last from the German government to cripple the machinery of the three largest German steamers in Hamburg-American Line fleet.
An officer of one of the German

FOE LINES FOUR TIMES HUGHES PRA CANADIANS PENETRATE

Suffer Remarkably Few Losses in Executing Brilliant Raids-Actions Serve Useful Purpose in Wearing Down Germans.

GERARD REPORTED HELD

storff's Treatment by United States

AUSTRIA'S FOOD SUPPLY

Make Successful Advance in War Records office today: The Canadians have not been slow slightly wounded. to take adventage of the hard wea-ther, which has made the ground, feature of these raids which have been

hitherto waterlogged, comparatively carried out so frequently is the reensy to move over. The German trenches have been entered on no less than four occasions by parties of else the many useful purposes they various sizes. A number of prisoners serve. The two most important are have been taken, and severe casualties inflicted on the enemy.

as possible against the snow, crossed to the element of uncertainty Special Cable to The Teronto World:

London, Feb. 6.—The British official communication tonight records the manufacture of an entry eventually did detect Canadian raiding exploits are well known, and in capturing 209 prisoners making of an advance and the communication. making of an advance and the occur post, a particularly strong one, was during the last three months of purely pation of one thousand yards of Geturnshed and the defenders quickly distributed and the defenders quickly distributed as record of which

man trench in the neight-orhood of posed of. Another operation on a rather larger they may justly be proud. no opposition to this advance.

Grandcourt lies on the southern bank of the Ancre, west of Fys. and the operations here have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations here have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations here have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations have as their purpose; the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operations have a solution of the assistance of the operation of pose the assistance of the operations bardment. Many prisoners were taken prous, the temporary absence of mud cast of Beaucourt, the direction of the and all dugouts in the neighborhood is a source of satisfaction.

Washington, by the American Government.

carried out with a loss of two men

morale by keeping hun in a constant One daring little enterprise was state of nervous expectation and the carried out on a bright starlight night, experience our men gain in what is The raiders, dressed in white can linown as "going over the parapet, vas to render themselves as invisible or in other words getting accustomed

made for themselves a record of which

London, Feb. 6.—The following com-munique was issued by the Canadiaa turned. This excellent operation was Sharp Discussion in House Over Overseas Military Affairs.

OFFICERS CRITICIZED

Col. Taylor Accuses Liberals of Campaign of Poisonous Gas

By Staff Reporter.

Ottawa, Feb. 6 .-- The house of commons spent the entire day discussing in committee of the whole the bill appropriating \$500,000,000 for the expense of the war, and the measure Sir Sam Hughes and Sir Thomas White again locked horns, this time over the army medical service and the Canadian hospitals in England and at the frent, Sir Sam championed the Bruce report, while Sir Thomas upheld the report of the Baptic commis-sion. As neither report was before the house, the combatants indulged in rather general statement, but cach highly culogized the surgeons upon his favorite commission without directly disparaging the surgeons who com-

IN BERLIN AS HOSTAGE posed the other commission.

Delay Irritates Liberals. Opposition members complained that the Bruce report had not been laid before the house, and were not sat-isfied with the prime minister's state-Germany is Said to Require Pledge as to Bernment that printed copies of the same were now on their way from England. Government.

Government since September.

Government since S James W. Gerard, the American ambassador to Germany, will not be allowed to leave Berlin until the German Government is satisfied as to the contended that the entire army medi-cal service would be disorganized if treatment of Count Von Bernstorff, the retiring German ambassador at the recommendations of the Bruce re-

port were carried into effect. There was an animated discussion of the large number of Canadian officers on pay in England who were not qualified to go to the front, and the speech of Col. J. D. Taylor, New Westminster, in their defence, sud-BECOMES MUCH WORSE denly started a furious flame_of tisan controversy. An intimation hat the Liberal members were dissenin-Country Exhausts Yield of Last Harvest—Extremely Cold ating poisonous gases broadcast thru-Hon. George P. Graham and other members of the opposition. Dr. Edwards, the Conservative member for Frontenac, contributed a vitriolic speech, arraigning the Liberals for their criticism of the Ross rifle and Amsterdam, via London, Feb. 6 .- Austria is now at the end of her nickel policy of the government. The fire, however, soon burned itself out. and shortly after midnight the house quietly settled down to a considera-The prevailing frost has greatly impeded the potato supply, according to tion of the supplementary estimates in committee of supply. the controller, but the German Government has promised supplies from Upon the orders of the day. Sir

Robert Borden announced that a (Concluded on Page 10, Column 2)

Attack Upon Danish Steamer Be-

lieved Disastrous to Sub-

marine.

Copenhagen, via London. Feb. 6 .-

The Politiken says that the crew of the Danish steamer Klampenborg.

FOLLOWING COLLISION

GERMAN U-BOAT SUNK

TWO HUNDRED KILLED IN MUNITIONS PLANT

Weather Now Impedes Furnishing of Potatoes

to the People.

applies from the harvest, according to a statement published in The Neue

Freie Presse Vienna, attributed to the Austrian food controller, Hoefer.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

Maastricht, Holland, Feb. 6.—Les Nouvelles prints a report today of an explosion in a munitions factory at Selbausch, near Cologne, on Satur-The factory is reported destroyed and 200 of the workers are re-

ANILINE DYE FACTORY

People Killed at Leverkusen.

Amsterdam, via London, Feb. 6,-A despatch to The Handelshlad from Zevenaar, near the German frontier, says it has been learned from travelers from Germany that the import-The following decorations were also ant manufactory of aniline dyes and conferred: Victoria Cross, 101465, Pte. medicines, owned by the Bayer Co. at Leverkusen, in Rhine Province, was persons were killed.

Britain Exercises Big Option On Smokeless Powder in U.S.

Special to The Toronto World. New York, Feb. 6.-It is learned in official quarters that the government of Great Britain has exercised an option on an additional 9,000,000 pounds tured by the Aetna Explosives Company. This order, according to an

INE DYE FACTORY IN GERMANY BLOWN UP BIG HUN DEFENCES ON DUTCH BORDER

Works Under Construction Are Steadily Assuming Large Proportions.

Special Cable to The Toronto World. Amsterdam, Feb. 6 .- According to well informed frontier correspondents for the various Dutch newspapers, the defence works which the Germans are constructing along the Dutch border are assuming steadily greater proportions. Thousands of troops are concentrating on the various German

frontier districts. Many people living in the vicinity are packing up their belongings in preparation for an untoward emer-

The unrest is daily increasing among the people on the German frontier, and the unrest is largely mixed with fear of a continuation of the terrible privations which the border

people are suffering.

The Telegrand learns from a neutral traveler, who has just returned to Amsterdam, that the Berlin food

which was sunk on January 23, de-clare that when the steamer went down a French warship was approaching. The submarine suddenly dived, and they are convinced that, in sinking the Klampenborg collided with and destroyed the submarine. The crew of the Danish schooner

Standard, also sunk on January 23, declare that the German submarine which destroyed her flew the French

More Canadian Officers Are Returning to Canada

Canadian Associated Press Cable.
London, Feb. 5.—The following are returning to Canada: Lieut.-Col. J. D. Clarke. Majors G. R. Hall, L. W. Johnston, D. A. Reid, H. Y. Complin. G. W. Ballard, L. F. Aiken, M. D. Mackenzie, G. L. Francis and F. P. Myles, also Lieut. W. Dismont, permanently unfit.

SURPRISING FUR REDUCTIONS. The Dineen annual stock-taking sale

provides many striking bargains for those who know values in furs. While the reductions are general there is a special em-phasis on Hudson Seal Coats and sets in welf and fox varieties. The pieces featured are in some instances below the present market value of the raw skins.

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* WAR SUMMARY *

ing relief ships.

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

N the Somme front the British continued their offensive yesterday by advancing in the vicinity of Grandscourt and Account and advancing in the vicinity of Grandecourt and occupying about 1000 the war. Therefore we must work toyards of a German trench. In reporting this success the British war office said they had no opposition from the enemy. Grandecourt is on the southern bank of the Ancre, and the pressure from it and from Pys aims at turning the Germans out of Miraumont by the aid of frontal attacks from Beaucourt. Prisoners keep coming in from the positions taken by the British east of Beaucourt and forty-eight Germans surrendered yester- Lloyd George, the security for peace day. The sector, roughly bounded by Beaumont, Beaucourt, Grandecourt will be that the nations will band and Pys, forms a tempting elbow for British attacks. Its reduction would permit the reduction of the commanding high ground of Serre. Field Marshal Haig needs Serre before making his ambitious attacks eastward on the northern bank of the Ancre. Briefly these present operations aim at securing positions for the observation of German batteries posted in a ravine which runs from a point northeast of Pys to opposite Gommecourt north of Serre. Once the British secure these positions they can, by both Port Officials at Boston Learn direct and indirect fire, make the ravine untenable for the German batteries. Then the British advance will become more rapid. In brief the Dritish are getting ready, as they did before the greatest advances last year, for the striking of a sudden and powerful blow on a scale at least comparable to the blows of last September.

The ships, allied and neutral, announced yesterday as sunk in the new German submarine campaign number twelve. Their tonnage is small. The large steamers have probably mostly secured protection, either by patrol or by armament of their own, and the submarines do not care to attack them. One passenger vessel fell a victim to a submarine. After six days the German campaign appears to have reached its height for this trip, but the refusal of many neutral steamers to leave port has probably kept down the losses. Norwegians appear to be exceptions to the other

(Continued on page 2, cols. 1 and2.)

ABERDEEN BELAUDS U.S. INTERVENTION SITUATION SERIOUS

Welcome to American

PEACE LEAGUE DINES

Philadelphia, Feb. 6.-The Marquis London, Feb. 6 .- An official of the

of a mild form of conscription as the best means of rendering the United The Marquis of Aberdeen said dur-ing his address: "We have often heard of preparedness for war, but for peace, too, there must be preparation, especially in the formation and development of a united opinion to operate thru the national representatives who and St. George-Col. John Frothingpart in the adjustment of terms after wards making the volume of opinion as complete as possible. The true as complete as possible. The true analogy for describing the meaning and method of the sequel is that of the police, the use of force, but not that of aggression; and, quoting Mr. themselves together to punish the first

WORD LAST THURSDAY TO BREAK MACHINERY

Belgians and French in Over- Every British Subject Joins in done. Two of our aeroplanes were brought down in air fights and ten

Action.

Adopted in Netherlands

Washington, Feb. 6.—A bread card system went into operation today thruout the Netherlands. A central bread bureau, despatches to the commerce department say, will control distribution of all bread and flour.

System of Bread Cards

GALLANT CANADIANS RECEIVE DECORATION

Number Are Invested at Buckingham Palace With Honors Won.

Private John Kerr of Canadian Infantry, Receives Victoria Cross.

Canadian Associated Press Cable. London, Feb. 6.-The following Canadians have been invested at Buckingham Palace: Companion of St. Michael Two Streets Ruined and Many will be called upon to take the actual ham, medicals; Col. (Rev.) Richard Steacy, chaplain department; Lieut .-Cols. Maurice Alexander, judge advo-cate-general, James Ross, paymaster. Distinguished Service Order-Lieut. Cols. Claude Hill, Ellmer Jones, Ernest McKenzie; Majors Valentine

Rarvey, Owen Hodgitt, John McDon-

ald. John Mackay. John Kerr, Canadian Infantry: Military Cross, Majors William Kilpatrick, Kenneth Mahnffy, Edward Vince, Capts. Douglas Barnett, George Chaffor the most part ruined and many fey, Herbert Molson, Arthur Nation, Harry Price, George Robertson, Alan Turnbull, Lieuts Francis Alford, Harold Barnum, Thomas Chutter, William Dougall, Robert Herbert, Frank Hunter, Alan Johnston, James Liebert Gulbert Tradelelse. Linton, Gilbert Tyndalslea,

Plotters Cripple Machinery Of Ships in North River

New York, Feb. 6 .- Machinery in four of the smaller ships in the fleet of smokeless powder to be manufacthis port, namely, the North German of mercantile vessels belonging to Lloyd liner Kron Prinzessin Cecile, and Germany moored to piers at Hoboken, the Cincinnati and the Amerika, of the N. J., and at 135th street and the officer of the company, is valued at North River, Manhattan, has been \$5,000,000, and is the second order for steamers here is said to have made crippled, it was learned authoritatively that quantity received from this