

GERMANS ALARMED OVER EAST PRUSSIA

Von Hindenburg Withdraws Troops to Strengthen Position in North.

HEAVY BATTLE NEAR Russian Light Horse Begin Cleaning Up of Main Roads to Germany.

(Continued From Page 1.) The cavalry is now spread over a wide front. The Russians surprised and broke through an important German position beside Lake Dvets, west of Rypin, and captured besides prisoners, an immense quantity of barbed wire. The Russian light horse are now cleaning up of the main roads to Germany. The Russian light horse are now cleaning up of the main roads to Germany.

RUSSIANS SURPRISED GERMANS.

Canadian Press Despatch. LONDON, Feb. 8.—Russia's unexpected adoption of offensive operations in Poland, from which the Germans apparently have been withdrawing some forces both to the north and south, furnishes the most striking feature of the military situation on the European continent. From German sources it is insisted that the plans for the capture of Warsaw are still being worked out. But the Russians claim several successes at various points and declare that the German attacks reached its climax several days ago.

GERMAN THREATS ALARM AMERICANS

Many in London Hasten to Reach Home Before Decree Goes into Effect.

(Special Cable to The Toronto World. LONDON, Feb. 8.—Apprehensive as to the result of the German blockade threat a number of Americans who did not intend to return home until spring have decided to sail for America before Feb. 15, on which date the Germans say a blockade will be established. They have also decided to take passage on American line vessels. At the consulate here today there were numerous appeals by Americans to know if it would be safe to cross the ocean at the present time. In evidence today, the use of the American flag on the part of those who thought that it would be disadvantageous to vessels of American registry. When one young American contractor was asked if he would hurry before Feb. 15, he replied: "I am not a British navy looks good to me. I am willing to take my chances right here." No changes have been announced in the sailing of transatlantic liners, of which eleven are scheduled to sail before German officials, let alone her outstanding squadrons. While not considering unwise it is known that several American business men are trying to execute contracts so that they can be sent overseas before another week expires. At one steamship office it was said by an official that every purchaser of a ticket today asked if it was expected that the Germans would torpedo the boat on which the passage was secured.

CERTIFIED REPORTS SAY SHIPS WERE TORPEDOED

Admiralty Believes That Steamer Oriole Has Been Sunk by Germans.

Canadian Press Despatch. LONDON, Feb. 8, 12.45 a.m.—The British admiralty publishes certified reports from the masters of the British steamers Tokomaru and Oriole, which it asserts prove that the vessels were torpedoed in the English channel off Havre, and that the Tokomaru sank, but her crew was rescued by a trawler. The Oriole was towed into Havre in a damaged condition. The admiralty expresses the belief that the British steamer Oriole, which left London for Havre Jan. 28, and since has not been reported as sunk by a German torpedo. Two life buoys belonging to the Oriole were picked up near Rye. Her crew numbered 21 men.

York County and Suburbs of Toronto

MIMICO'S BALANCE ON THE RIGHT SIDE

Village Finances in Good Shape—Library to Be Opened Soon.

Two tenders for \$2496 of debentures at 6 per cent, to cover the cost of sidewalks on Station street and Mimico and Albert avenues, were received by the Mimico Council last night. C. H. Burgess & Co. offered \$2502, which was accepted. An offer at par was received from A. Warden. In compliance with the Building Trades Protection Act, A. Donaldson was appointed building inspector. The agreement includes the construction of a new public library building at the corner of Station street and Stanley avenue, and to draw up an agreement. The council agreed to pay \$120 a year for two meetings each month, and \$250 for each extra night required. The council agreed to use at all times of the office next to the assembly hall. Financial Report. The financial statement for 1914 shows the affairs of the village to be in a very satisfactory state. The cash in the bank at the end of the year amounted to \$2069.21, as against \$409.66 at the end of 1913. The expenditures were \$24,260.44, while the receipts amounted to \$25,290.67. The tax roll showed \$16,444.64 collected in 1914. Loans were received amounting to \$4500, and \$122,000 was received by the sale of hydro-electric debentures. The larger amounts of expenditure were: Roads and bridges, \$2852.23; waterworks, \$6907.40; debentures and coupons, \$4700.23; street lighting, \$1113.14; sanitary work, \$1835.15; local improvements, \$371.08. The statement shows an excess of assets over liabilities of \$7851.50. The hydro-electric account shows a net profit for 1914 of \$397.92. With \$511.33 carried over from 1913, the total surplus was \$1509.20. The earnings during the year were: \$4940.66; power, \$946.22; street lighting, \$1049.94. The public library building is now practically completed, and it is expected that the official opening ceremony will take place early in March. W. L. Teifer, the contractor, leaves for Bermuda tomorrow.

TOWNSHIP IMPROVEMENT WOULD COST TOO MUCH

Vaughan Council Refused to Endorse Expenditure of Twenty Thousand.

A petition was received by the Vaughan Township Council yesterday asking that the township be incorporated with the Vaughan and Etobicoke be opened up for the purpose of raising a road. The proposal did not receive much support, as the members did not consider the improvement absolutely necessary. E. A. James on behalf of the good roads commission, reported that the commission had found it was necessary to deviate a section of the old gravel road south of Woodbridge and had bought the land which they wanted the township to take over. Action was deferred pending examination of a plan showing the change in the highway. Richmond Hill. The council took a resolution that parts of school sections 2 and 21 be incorporated with section Richmond Hill. The council had no objection to the proposal, provided that the sections affected did not overlap. The matter will be formally dealt with at the April meeting and a by-law will be passed then if no objections are filed.

REEVE CORNELL SEIZED WITH SUDDEN ILLNESS

Had to Be Taken Home After Opening Council Meeting at Woburn Yesterday.

Reeve J. G. Cornell, of Scarborough Township, had just occupied the chair for about thirty minutes at the council meeting yesterday when he became ill suddenly and had to be taken home. Dr. J. G. Cornell took the reeve's place and routine business was transacted, but the appointment of a deputy clerk was laid over until the next meeting. Grants for road repairs to the amount of \$1500 were passed. Three deputations appeared with regard to the proposed new school section in the Birchcliffe district. Representatives from S.S. No. 18 asked that in any event section No. 18 be left intact. Another deputation suggested that parts of sections No. 10, 12 and 13 be incorporated in the new section. Deputation number three proposed that parts of sections 12 and 10 and the Birchcliffe Heights property be formed into a new school section. The council decided to call a special meeting in two weeks to dispose of the questions thatly, when all those interested can be present. Reeve Cornell was reported to be resting easily last night, and his doctor does not anticipate any serious trouble.

OAKWOOD

A business meeting of the McNab Red Cross Society will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the Oakwood College. All friends are invited when Miss Hastings will give a lecture on surgical dressing and bandaging. Miss Hastings will also give a lesson on the same subject to the school children at 4 o'clock. Pupils from all schools are invited. Miss McNab wishes to acknowledge receipt of donations and will be glad to receive any further contributions of cotton or linen for making surgical bandages or any woolen articles. Address gifts to 350 St. Clair avenue.

ANNUAL DANCE ENJOYED BY WOODBRIDGE S. O. S.

Haggis Served to the Skirl of the Pipes—Veteran Fiddler Played the Reels.

"The Highlandman's toast," Dr. Alexander Fraser, ex-grand chief, S.O.S., also of Toronto, graciously offering addresses on the valliant service rendered by the Highlanders who are serving the empire at the front. Mr. Stephen Stewart, assisted the audience immensely with his comic songs. After the program the hall was cleared and a good old-fashioned dance took place, in keeping with the occasion. The committee was fortunate in securing the services of Elder John Mackinnon of the 7th Concession, Vaughan, who, in his 76th year, handled the bow as well as he did sixty years ago in playing the old Scotch reels. Among those present were some of those grand old-time fiddlers Mr. Mackinnon had played with. Gideon Benton and Miss Jean Mounsey assisted in the musical part of the program. A very pleasant evening was spent by the members of Maclean Camp, Sons of Scotland, who entertained at the dance and Scotch acquaintances to a banquet in the Orange Hall, Woodbridge, last Thursday evening. The program was carried by Chief James Elder, and followed by officers and members of the same. Grand Pipe Major George Murray of Toronto led the procession, which marched around the hall to the strains of "The King." The Rev. Malcolm Mackinnon, chaplain of the camp, occupied the chair, and proposed the following toasts: "The King," "The Army and Navy," responded to by Lieut. A. Mackenzie, "The Ladies," by Captain C. L. Wallace, Reeve of Woodbridge; "The Sons of Scotland," by Grand Chief Alexander Gordon of Toronto, who also said "The Battle of Striding." Agricultural Conference. The Dominion and Ontario departments of agriculture will hold a joint conference at 3 p.m. on Friday, February 19, in the Orange Hall, Woodbridge. Two addresses on "The Duty and Opportunity of the Farmer" and "The Farmer" will be delivered by Prof. J. B. Reynolds, B.A., of the O.A.C., and by George Peppers, Toronto, in relation to "Live Stock." W. B. Roadhouse, deputy minister of agriculture, and Samuel Charters, ex-M.L.A., will also address the meeting.

ASSOCIATIONS FIGHTING OVER CONTROL OF RIDING

New Society's Declaration of Independence Causes More Trouble.

A long and heated discussion took place at a meeting of the Riverdale Conservative Association in Classic Hall last night on the subject of the new Society's Declaration of Independence. The new Society's Declaration of Independence causes more trouble. A large number of the members and R. Fenwick, president of Ward One, and George Peppers, president of the North York Association, were on the platform. Mr. Fenwick, president of Ward One, and George Peppers, president of the North York Association, were on the platform. Mr. Fenwick, president of Ward One, and George Peppers, president of the North York Association, were on the platform.

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On account of not having an election in Toronto Township this year the council devoted the evening to the Belgian Relief Fund, amounting to the sum of \$125.

TODMORDEN

A meeting of the Todmorden Ratepayers' Association will be held in St. Andrew's Hall, Papa Avenue, at 8 o'clock tonight at 8 o'clock. The committee hopes for a large attendance, as several important matters will be discussed, including the proposal to lay a sewer on Papa Avenue.

WARD SEVEN

The Ward Seven Ratepayers' Association will hold their semi-monthly meeting on Friday evening, Feb. 12, at Annette street school when W. R. Flewman will deliver a lecture on the ward and present conditions.

WESTON

A lecture on "First Aid on the Battlefield" by Staff-Sergeant Longstreet will be the special attraction tonight at the Red Cross entertainment in the Town Hall under the auspices of the Weston Women's Institute. The Misses Betty Caldwell, Melita Rothero, Jessie Hill, Stella Rowntree and Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Hutchings Little will contribute to the program. Refreshments will be served.

LAMBTON MILLS

The incorporation of Lambton Mills as a police village will be discussed at a special meeting of the ratepayers in the Town Hall under the auspices of the Weston Women's Institute. The Misses Betty Caldwell, Melita Rothero, Jessie Hill, Stella Rowntree and Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Hutchings Little will contribute to the program. Refreshments will be served.

VICTORIANS RAISE FUNDS

WHITBY, Feb. 8.—The Victorian Order of Nurses committee conducted a successful whirlwind campaign today, raising upwards of \$500. It is intended to appoint a second nurse who will make a dental and physical inspection of school children. Mrs. J. B. Laidlaw, president, and members of the committee did the canvassing, dividing the town into 18 districts for that purpose.

TOWNSHIP APPLIES FOR WATER SUPPLY

Deputy Reeves Address Annual Meeting of Oakwood Ratepayers.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Oakwood Ratepayers' Association in Oakwood Hall last evening. President Wm. Jarvis; vice-president, Wm. Jarvis; secretary, G. F. Norman; treasurer, G. Alton; hon. president, Deputy Reeve F. H. Miller; hon. vice-president, 3rd Deputy Reeve W. M. Graham. Addressing the meeting, Deputy Reeve Miller said that the members of the Oakwood Association had always been reasonable in their demands and the council was glad to see them at any time. With regard to the water supply, he pointed out that a board of police commissioners had been appointed by the county council to enquire the work of the constables and complaints would be dealt with by the board. He was sorry that there were so many men out of employment but thought that during the last few weeks there had been a vast improvement in the situation. Mr. Miller hoped that cement sidewalks would be put down on Oakwood avenue this year. He promised that the council would have the roadway graded and macadamized. In conclusion he recommended the association to draw up a list of improvements required in the township and submit it to the township council. Deputy Reeve W. M. Graham said that the township council was co-operating in this connection.

DON'T WANT THE NEWS UNTIL IT ISN'T NEW

West Fairbank Objects to Advance Information—Pass Resolution.

At a well attended meeting of the West Fairbank Ratepayers' Association in Caledonia Hall last night, President George Cunliffe occupied the chair, the grading of Caledonia Hill was discussed. J. J. Spence, who Commissioner Sluder called upon him recently with a plan of the Caledonia Hill, and instructed him to get the signatures of the ratepayers. The work was successful in securing thirteen of the nineteen required, and hoped to address the township council on Tuesday to discuss the transportation question. When Mayor Church is expected to address the township council, the St. Clair and Dunfermline Ratepayers' Association. It was decided to send a large number of ratepayers to meet the Mayor on Tuesday to discuss the transportation question. The following resolution was passed: "Resolved that it would be more desirable to have the water supply to be done or left undone be given to the press after the sitting of the council instead of before, and that the council should not be asked to pass a resolution that it is only the third deputy reeve and not the whole council."

FAIRBANK

Resolved: "That the North Fairbank Ratepayers' Association refuse the statements of Commissioner Sluder and Deputy Reeve F. H. Miller regarding the falling of applications for relief and the statement that work was being done on the road."

YORK MILLS

Under the auspices of the A.T.P.A. of St. John's Church, York Mills, an oyster supper and concert will be held in the school hall on Wednesday evening, February 10, at 8 o'clock. The concert will be given by the York Mills Glee Club, and will occupy the chair.

DECRETE EXPULSION OF NEUTRALS FROM ALSACE

Order of German Government Said to Strike Principally at Italians and Swiss.

Canadain Press Despatch.

BERNE, Switzerland, via Paris, Feb. 8.—The German Government has decreed the expulsion of neutrals from the Province of Alsace. The order strikes principally at Italians and Swiss. In this region there are only a few Americans, they being for the most part manufacturers. The number of persons of Swiss nationality in Alsace is estimated at between 4000 and 5000. The Swiss Government, however, has received assurances that many exceptions will be granted.

SERGT. MANSFIELD DIED OF WOUNDS

Lieut. Sullivan, Also of Pats, is Among the Wounded.

Canadian Press Despatch. Fought in Cuban War. Mr. O'Hay also took part in the Spanish-American war, sailing in May, 1898, and getting discharged in November of the same year. "I left America in December, 1900, and returned to Canada in January, 1901. I rode steppes across over to Ireland, where I was engaged as a jockey and training hunter. I rode steppes across over to Italy and engaged in racing there for a while. I also got too heavy for that country, and went broke, thru not being able to obtain any suitable employment. From that time I went to London, where I met my wife, and joined the British Army. "Leaving England in 1910, I went to Los Angeles and joined the Pacific Moving Picture Company. In France I played the lead, but moving pictures were only in their infancy at that time. Not being satisfied with picture acting, I went south to Mexico and joined the Mexican army, in which I served for 42 days under President Madero. But I went south to Mexico and joined the Mexican army, in which I served for 42 days under President Madero. But I went south to Mexico and joined the Mexican army, in which I served for 42 days under President Madero.

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