

STRONG ATTACKS ON GERMAN LINES IN ROUMANIA

Allies Will Move on Berlin-Bagdad Railway to Cut Off German Supplies—German Gas Attack on Somme Failed—Russo-Rumanians Enter Foe Trenches—Falkenhayn Lands in Greece—Germany's Peace Failure May Mean a Terrific Spring by Desperate Foe by Land and Sea.

HINDENBURG SUFFERS FROM CHILL

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 16.—Field Marshall von Hindenburg is rumored on the Berlin Bourse to be laid up at headquarters with a severe chill.

GERMANY'S PEACE FAILURE TO MEAN DESPERATE SPRING.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The Spectator expresses the opinion that Germany's failure to bring about peace negotiations will prompt her to a forlorn hope by sea as well as land and adds: "For this last spring of the tiger we must be ready, for the impact will be terrific. It may come at any moment now, conceivably even before the diplomats have had time to put the latest batches of notes neutral and enemy, into their pigeon holes."

GERMAN SUB. BRINGS FOUR CAPTAINS IN.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 16.—A German submarine has just returned from a cruise with four captains of merchantmen on board as prisoners according to German newspapers. One of the prisoners is an Englishman.

KITCHENER AND BERLIN MAIL.

LONDON, Ont., Jan. 16.—A resolution was unanimously passed by the city council asking the Dominion government to rescind the act of the new postmaster-general legalizing mail addressed to Berlin instead of Kitchener.

GERMAN ATTACK ON SOMME FAILED.

PARIS, Jan. 16.—The war office reports the failure of a strong German attack last night on the Somme in which gas shells were used. Elsewhere there was little activity except for artillery fighting.

RUSSO-RUMANIANS ATTACK FOE LINES.

BERLIN, Jan. 16.—The War Office reports that the Russian forces in Rumania made violent but unsuccessful attacks yesterday on both sides of the front. Rumanian troops succeeded in entering German positions in this region but were driven out. The attacks were renewed last night, when more enemy detachments reached the German trenches but were immediately ejected.

FALKENHAYN LANDS FROM SUBMARINE IN GREECE.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—An Athens despatch reports that Gen. Falkenhayn, former chief of the German staff has landed in Greece from a submarine.

TWO GERMAN U-BOATS MAY BE OFF U.S. COAST

Deutschland and Unnamed Sister Submarine, Reported to be Much Larger, Believed to be after More Nickel and Rubber.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The German merchant submarine Deutschland, which is said to be on its third trip to the United States, may be not more than 500 miles off the New England coast. Persons arriving here today on the British freight steamer Clematis declared they had seen an unidentified submarine moving westward in the Atlantic as late as last Thursday morning, and in view of the fact that it made no attempt to attack the English boat, believed it was the Deutschland.

It was said today that the Deutschland and an unnamed sister ship will arrive on the New England coast in less than a week. It was stated that the name of the sister ship was not the Bremen, but that it might be the Amerika, reported to be the last merchant submarine completed.

"If the British ever got within firing distance of the Deutschland" said a commander of a well known German liner today, "they'll sink her first and discuss the propriety afterward."

The Deutschland's sister ship is said to be much larger, speedier, and has a greater deadweight than any other undersea freighter.

The Deutschland's cargo of drugs, dyes and securities has been calculated to be worth \$10,000,000. Both vessels are also said to be bringing mail and parcel post matter. Mail for the return trips are already accumulating at the New England docks. The return cargoes will be made up mostly of crude rubber and nickel.

ALLIES TO MOVE ON BERLIN-BAGDAD RAILWAY.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—A Saloniki despatch says the allied army will be reinforced preliminary to a move on the Berlin-Bagdad railway over which Germany is drawing large supplies of foodstuffs from Asia Minor.

235TH STARTS ITS CAMPAIGN

Citizens Urged to Take Responsibility of Getting Recruits.

The 235th will launch in Belleville on Saturday, January 20th, a citizens' campaign for recruits. This campaign will continue until the following Saturday. An endeavor will be made to get large number of citizens to pledge themselves for one recruit each during the week.

On Sunday it is hoped to get the churches to devote one service or a part to a strong appeal for men.

On Sunday evening there will be a big recruiting meeting in the Griffin's theater, which Major G. I. Campbell, C.R.O. of the division will attend. Some night during next week there will be a torch-light procession on the main streets.

Meetings are being arranged to be held one day at each industrial plant. Meetings will be held on the streets at noon and in the evenings when the weather permits, the brass band will turn out.

The organization is in touch with four of the best recruiters in Canada—Capt. Joseph Lawson, 204th, Toronto, Lieut. Trivat, 205th, Hamilton, and Pte. Lauders, Hamilton. Mrs. Parsons who spoke with such good results a while ago will be present.

Tomorrow (Wednesday) evening at the city hall there will be a meeting of citizens to meet representatives of the 235th for organization purposes. The military men will place their plans before the citizens of Belleville.

LIQUOR CASES AT KINGSTON

Fines Imposed in Two and the Other Adjudged—James McKibbin Got Plenty of Liquor, but Could Not Tell Who Gave It To Him—Jag of Whiskey Caused Trouble for other Two Offenders.

In spite of the fact that the old town is on the "dry" list, it just looks as if we must have a few liquor cases in Police Court from time to time. After every quiet spell some person has to do something contrary to the Ontario Temperance Act.

A little jug, filled with whiskey, proved the downfall of Percy Robinson and his friend, Stanley Cornwall. The latter called on Robinson at his home Thursday night, when Robinson announced that he had received some liquor. Just as the two were about to go out, Cornwall spied a little jug on the table. Robinson was in another room at the time, getting his overcoat. The temptation was too much for Cornwall, so he just helped himself, and freely, too, for he poured out enough to fill a big tumbler. Then he downed it. Robinson took on a good "cargo" previous to this, and later on, when the two were on the street they were gathered in for being drunk, or as the charge read, "intoxicated in a public place."

Robinson, who was the first arraigned, pleaded guilty, and told the Magistrate that he had secured his liquor from Hull. He was fined \$10 and costs, with the option of one month in jail. Cornwall was given a heavier touch. His fine was placed at \$20.

James H. McKibbin had sufficient liquor on Thursday to put him under, but for the life of him he could not tell how he got it.

"I couldn't tell you how I got the liquor," he said to the Magistrate. "I am a soldier. I came down here from Trenton to get my discharge. I am a stranger here. A man gave me a drink on one of the back streets near the barracks and I guess I took too much."

Magistrate Farrell was not satisfied with the story, so he remanded the accused for a week, in order to give him time to identify the unknown who gave him the liquor.

Constables Daniel McCarrey, Leslie Clark and Leslie Armstrong made the arrests.—Whig.

DISTRICT LODGE NO. 3

District Lodge No. 3, Central Hastings held their annual meeting on Jan 9th and elected the officers for the year 1917:

- H. Timmon—District Master
- H. Martin—D.D.M.
- J. Hollinger—D. Chap.
- G. Morison—D. Rec. Sec.
- H. Morton—D. Fin. Sec.
- W. Mottson—D. Treas.
- R. H. Downey—D. D. of C.
- J. Geen and F. Wilson D. Lecturers

Mr. W. C. Mitchell, K.C., is in Toronto today on business.

OBITUARY

JOHN HENDERSON.

On Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock the death occurred here of Mr. John Henderson of Brockville, who was for a number of years supervisor of track on the Grand Trunk Railway at that terminal and with jurisdiction over the Brockville-Bellefleur Division. Mr. Henderson had been in poor health for some months past. Only on Thursday last Mr. and Mrs. Henderson returned there from Belleville on a visit to their daughter, Mrs. R. W. Wright, 15 Apple St., Brockville. He was taken suddenly with a stroke of paralysis and though medical attention was called quickly nothing could be done to avert the inevitable. Mr. Henderson was born 51 years ago at Richmond, Quebec, and was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Henderson. He started his railroad career at Collin's Bay as a G.T.R. sectionman. He was appointed roadmaster at Brockville in 1899 succeeding the late John McGovern. He held the position until he was compelled by ill health to resign and his resignation was accepted with great reluctance by the company. Only last fall he took up residence in Belleville at the corner of Ridley and Geddes streets. Besides his wife he leaves one daughter and two sons. They are Mrs. R. W. Wright, of Brockville, and Messrs. Howard and John Henderson, of Belleville. He also is survived by his aged mother, three brothers and three sisters, viz: Thos. Henderson, Belleville; William Henderson, Pembroke, and Hubert Henderson, Kingston, and Mrs. J. A. Donaldson, Trenton; Mrs. E. Cassell and Mrs. A. Patter, Kingston. He was an Anglican in religion. He was a Mason and a member of King Hiram Lodge, at Ingersoll, and also of the C.O.C.F. of Kingston. The death of Mr. Henderson is greatly regretted. He was a most capable employee, and a man who held the confidence and esteem of both his superior officers, and of the men over whom he had charge. He was a fine specimen of robust physical manhood.

The funeral took place today under Masonic auspices. The body left Brockville on the International Limited and interment was made in Catarqui Cemetery.

ASKS OFFICERS TO RESIGN.

He Does not Want Officers in the Regiment Who Are Not in the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

Major R. M. Van Luven is the new commanding officer of the 4th Hussars. It is understood that he has sent out twenty letters to officers of the regiment, who are still listed as officers but who have never been granted overseas commission, asking them to resign.

There are four squadrons in the 4th Hussars located as follows: "A" at Kingston, "B" at Napanee, "C" at Kingston and "D" at Hainsville. Of the original twenty officers of these four squadrons, only two are overseas.

Major Van Luven wants the resignations of the old officers so that the regiment can be re-organized on a new basis, which will pay special attention to those of the officers who have joined the Canadian Expeditionary Force.

The question is proving of great interest in military circles, and in certain quarters great anxiety is felt as to the outcome and the possible effect it will have all through the Dominion in similar organizations.

WHY NOT HERE?

The following advertisement appears in the Cobourg World:

Clarified milk, the purest and highest standard milk, 7c quart; 30 pint tickets for \$1, whipping cream, 45c per quart, 12c half pint; butter-milk 5c per quart. We are selling butter every week; this week 45c per lb. Leave your order and we will deliver any quantity.

TWO SUITS FOR A SOLDIER. On joining the Canadian Expeditionary Force, a soldier is given just one suit of uniform, and this he wears on all parades, including church parades. If he belongs to the artillery, he is compelled to clean horses, and do stable duties, and in the same clothes attend church parades, go out in the evenings and make calls, frequent his home and the homes of his friends. This has been a great barrier to young men of the better class getting into uniform. In order to remove this objection, it has been recommended to O'awa that every man enlisting in the C.E.F. be given two suits of clothing, and it is expected that head-quarters will approve of this very necessary equipment.

Mr. Harold Reid will leave for England the end of this week to take effective preparation manufactured, and it always maintains its reputation.

VETERANS OF WAR WELCOMED

Citizens of Belleville Held Demonstration in Honor of Three Heroes.

Belleville welcomed home three of her returned heroes last evening by holding a grand demonstration in their honor. Deep banks of snow and chilling weather did not lower the spirits of the hundreds of citizens who met and followed the conquering heroes—Christopher Lewis, James Smith and James V. Ross who have all played the game somewhere in France.

At seven-thirty the 254th band and the 15th Regimental band marched up Bridge and Front streets from the Armouries to the upper bridge, when they divided, the 254th going with cars to secure Privates Lewis and Smith, and the 15th to get the hero of Coleman ward, Private Ross. Large crowds followed both cars and bands and a still larger throng met the parades at the upper bridge where there were continuous rounds of hurrahs for the returned men. The combined parades then came down the main street, the big crowd following in the road and on the walks as far as the City Hall. Everywhere Smith, Lewis and Ross were greeted with cheers upon cheers. The car that Pte. Ross was in was filled to overflowing and the soldier was held up high so that everyone could see him. The bands played numerous patriotic airs. In front of the City Hall, the local platoon of the 254th halted and allowed the cars to pass through and each veteran had to respond to the applause with which he was greeted. After another great burst of cheering the soldiers returned to their homes, the bands their quarters and the citizens dispersed.

THE PEOPLE HAVE THE RIGHT TO DECIDE (Special to The Ontario)

TORONTO, January 16th.—Whatever doubts there may have been as to contesting the North West Toronto seat were absolutely removed by the unworthy, mischievous and unpatriotic campaign conducted by the Conservative leaders in West Simcoe. Such a style of fighting aiming deliberately to divide the people in war time, as grounds of race, religion and alleged patriotism, was such as could not be tolerated without a protest on behalf of the people of Ontario, quite irrespective of the local feeling in West Simcoe.

As one effective form of protest which might have some effect on the government comes the North Toronto election, in which once more the general record of the Hearnst government will be laid before the people, in which "Fergusonism" will be revealed and in which the people will be asked to say whether or not they like the violent personalities and unpatriotic utterances of Conservative speakers.

It will be interesting to see whether Hon. Mr. McPherson will make use in this contest of Ferguson and Lucas. If he does not it will be a well deserved rebuke for them. If he does it will help that much more to defeat him.

FIRST MEETING

The R. T. of T. Knitting Circle held their first meeting of the year on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Martin, William street, with an unusual good attendance. A number of letters from overseas were read showing how much "our boys" appreciate the socks which we are forwarding regularly. An interesting part of the afternoon's program was the presentation in the form of a variety shower to one of our most faithful workers, Mrs. Brown (nee Miss E. J. Miller), who leaves soon to reside in St. Paul, Minn. Mrs. Brown was also presented with a dozen silver teaspoons on Thursday evening, Jan. 3rd by the Royal Templar lodge. Mrs. Brown is going to St. Paul leaves a host of friends in Belleville who wish her every happiness in her new home.

At Griffin's theater last evening the "Hulda from Holland" film in which Mary Pickford is the star was shown to a good house. The story is a delightfully homelike one in which noble and yet simple characters get the better of the magnates of the new world. The scenes in Holland in which Mary and her little brothers are the center of the attraction along with Mary's little goat, are very pleasing for their pastoral effect.

For years Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator has ranked as the most effective preparation manufactured, and it always maintains its reputation.

ENTIRE NATION WILL SOON BE FED IN PUBLIC SAYS WRITER

LONDON, Jan. 15.—"Slowly but surely Germany is being pauperized."

That is the statement made public here by one of the most prominent correspondents of the Danish newspaper, The National Tidende, who writes that the military authorities in Berlin, where he has been stationed since the war began are even considering the "mass feeding" of the entire populace of Germany. As it is the correspondent insists that over 400,000 people are daily being fed at public soup kitchens in Berlin alone.

"The public feeding of paupers and of the starving masses in Berlin has become a necessity," continues the writer, who further asserts that it is only a question of time before the German authorities will, in their frantic endeavors to reduce the cost of feeding the civilian populace to a minimum, in order that the military may not suffer from the want of proper food, force the entire population of the German empire to go to the public kitchens three times daily for their meals.

Quoting as his authority a Danish professor of public economy, now at Berne after a trip through Germany, the writer declares that in Germany, despite official dissimulation and drastic measures, there are whole regions where famine reigns. Men and women are treated without mercy. When they call for bread they are not given a stone, but things that are truly repulsive. Their professors have sought to extract food from rubbish, and has recommended its use to the public. The newspapers teem with advertisements of this hideous stuff.

The Tidonde's correspondent further asserts that the communal table is about to become an institution in Germany. He says that it has been proposed that military dictators be appointed in all the large cities, that the various households fetch three meals to the appointed places daily, including bread, and that all families be forced to partake of their meals in this manner.

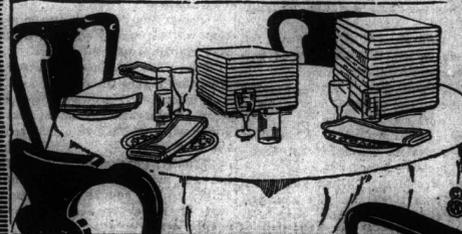
RITCHIE'S

Dollar Sale of \$1.25 CORSETS

Here's a low priced Corset Sale that will be welcomed by all Women. These Corsets are made of extra quality Coutil, in low and medium bust, extra well boned and steel's guaranteed not to rust. 4 Hose supporters in long or medium skirt, 5 clasps and one loop, trimmed at top with fine Silk Embroidery, sizes 19 to 27, reg. \$1.25 model on sale this week at, pair..... **\$1**

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Bleached Damask Tabling 50c. Yd.

Old qualities bought at old prices and the values are super at 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 up to \$2.00 yd., all pretty patterns.

Loom Damask Tabling 50c. Yd.

Splendid quality Tabling in attractive dice patterns, extra values at 50c, 60c, 75c up to \$1.25 yard.

Pure Linen Napkins \$1.95 Doz.

Splendid quality, pure Linen Damask Table Napkins, size 24x20in., all neat patterns, and extra value at \$1.95 doz. Other prices up to \$8.00 doz.

OLD BLEACH LINEN SETS

Pure Irish Grass Bleached Linen Table Sets, consisting of standard size cloths and one doz. Napkins to match, cloths 2x2, 2x2 1-2 and 2x3—priced \$6.50 to \$15.00.

The Ritchie Company Limited