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## ARTILLERY OF ALLIES EVERYWHERE MAKE GAINS OVER THE GERMAN GUNS

Official Reports State That January Ended with Many Successes For British and French

### GERMAN ATTACKS ON ALLIES FAIL

Numerous German Dead Left on Field North of Lomhaertzyde and Before English Lines

St. Pierre, via Paris, Jan. 30.—In general, the 29th was relatively quiet with artillery contests in Belgium. Near Givenchy, La Bassée, the British Army repulsed the attack of three German battalions. The enemy suffered heavy losses. North of Arras, near Neuville St. Vaast, our heavy artillery gained the range of a German battery, and blew up the Caesars. In Albert, Roye, Soissons, Craonne, Bapaume, and Perthes sections were artillery duels to our advantage. In Woivre, near Flirey, the Ger-

mans exploded a mine intending to blow up our trenches, but only resulting in overthrowing their own.

**Artillery Combats.** Paris, Jan. 31.—The French War Office this afternoon issued the following statement:—

The struggle during the day of the 30th was confined on almost every front to artillery combats. Cannonading was very intense on one side or the other. At numerous points our artillery has everywhere secured the advantage. Before La Bassée the British Army retook all the trenches momentarily lost. The Germans have cannonaded the belfry and church of Fongueville, to the South of Arras.

**Field Works Destroyed.** In the section of Arras and Soissons, Rheims and Perthes, our batteries have destroyed two of the enemy's pieces, several field works, and a certain number of lance bombs, and dispersed several concentrations of troops, bivouacs and convoys.

In Argonne a slight withdrawal of our troops is reported, and their organization on lines within two hundred meters to the rear of these.

## Czar's Forces Are Advancing On Koenigsburg

Three Great Russian Armies Reported to Be Advancing on the German Seaport.

Petrograd, Jan. 31.—Three great Russian armies are now advancing upon the strongly fortified German seaport of Koenigsburg. Developments of a new offensive, south of the railroad leading from Insterberg to the East Prussian capital, was indicated in despatches from their front today.

### Admiral Montagu "Crosses the Bar"

London, Feb. 1.—Admiral, the Hon. Victor A. Montagu, is dead.

Admiral Montagu, who was seventy-four years of age and who was created a C.B. in 1907, was heir presumptive to the eighth Earl of Sandwich. He joined the navy in 1853 and saw much service during a long active career, serving in the Baltic, the Black Sea, the China War of 1857, the Indian Mutiny of 1857-58-59. He also did service with the Channel Fleet and on the Mediterranean and West India stations.

which they had occupied, has been actively disputed to the South.

The losses to the enemy have been very high; ours were not severe.

**Left Many Dead.** Paris, Jan. 31.—The following official statement was issued by the War Office last night:—

It is confirmed that the enemy has left a great number of dead on the battle field to the north of Lomhaertzyde, also before the English lines near La Bassée.

There has been a bombardment of some intensity of Arras, Rourie and Rochincourt.

On the plateau of Nouvron the Germans exploded a mine without any result.

**French Airmen Busy.** London, Jan. 30.—The French Government reports progress in the region of Neuport and the positions won on the 27th, consolidated.

The enemy's attempt to cross the River Aisne, east of Soissons, was repulsed.

French airmen dropped bombs on the enemy's camps near Laon, La Fere, and Soissons. —HARCOURT.

**Strong Attack Repulsed.** London, Feb. 1.—The Official Press Bureau last night, says, an attack was made in some force yesterday near Cambrai, Northern France, but the enemy was easily repulsed, and over two hundred German dead were counted in front of the trenches occupied by the British amongst whom the casualties were small.

## VIOLATE ALL LAWS OF THE SEA

Germany Now Wage War on Peaceful Merchant Ships, in Violation of all Regulations

### GIVE NO NOTICE TO NON-COMBATANTS

Don't Allow Merchant Crews Time to Embark in Boats—Attack a Belgian Refugee Ship

Fleetwood, Jan. 31.—A German submarine yesterday torpedoed the North Shields steamer Ben Cruachen off this port. The crew of twenty landed here.

The captain of the steamer says he was overtaken by the submarine, ordered to leave his ship within ten minutes, and hardly had the crew got into the boats when a torpedo was fired and the steamer went down.

She belonged to the Morison Shipping Co. from Orkney Islands to Liverpool, with general cargo.

The same submarine is reported to have sunk two other vessels in the same vicinity where the Ben Cruachen went down.

**Give No Notice.** Paris, Jan. 31.—Two British vessels were torpedoed by a German submarine in addition to the Ben Cruachen and Linda Blanche, whose sinking was reported last night.

This was made known by an official communication given out here today by the Minister of Marine.

The British steamer Tokomaru has been sunk by a torpedo from a German submarine.

An English vessel also was torpedoed in the same locality on the Irish Sea when the British steamers Linda Blanche and Ben Cruachen were torpedoed.

Hitherto the Germans, before attacking a merchant vessel, always allowed the crews sufficient time to embark to the ship's boats. That custom has now been abandoned, as is shown by the bombardment of the Admiral Gen. Thorne which was filled with Belgian women and children refugees.

The German Marine has decided to violate, systematically and deliberately, international law.

**Toll Was Three Ships.** London, Feb. 1.—The toll taken by the German submarine in the raid of Saturday stands at three ships. In ad-

## Austro-German Army Destined to Invade Serbia

Four Hundred Thousand Men to be Sent Against Serbians and Equal Force Against Russians.

Bucharest, Jan. 31.—According to advices from Czernowitz, the Austro-Hungarian forces in Bukowina have been divided into two armies; one, four hundred thousand strong, will be sent against the Serbians, and the other army of three hundred thousand men, will operate against the Russians.

### GREECE TO HELP SERBIA TO REPEL FRESH ATTACKS

Paris, Feb. 1.—A despatch from Athens says that Greece with all her forces will come to the aid of Serbia in the event of a fresh invasion of Serbia by the Austro-German armies.

The greatest activity prevails in Greek military quarters.

### FRENCH SHORE DOES NOBLE PART FOR THE EMPIRE

(To the Governor.) St. Anthony, Jan. 30.—The Bazaar at Griquet was a great success. Five hundred and fifteen dollars being raised.

Conche and Englee raised about four hundred dollars and the French Shore has raised over Fifteen Hundred dollars and about twelve men already.

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The German submarine has also torpedoed two British steamers in the English Channel near Havre and the Tokomaru and Icaria in the Irish Sea.

The raider easily made her escape, and shipping interests, confident that she has returned to her base, have ordered the resumption of normal traffic.

**Icaria Torpedoed.** Havre, Feb. 1.—The steamer Icaria from Brazil with a cargo of coffee, sugar and hides, was twenty miles north-west of Cape de Heve, yesterday, when a violent explosion occurred on her starboard side below the water line.

The steamer immediately became unmanageable and began to sink. In reply to signals of distress two tugs put out and towed her into Havre.

## ITALIAN RIOTERS FAVOR ABANDONING NEUTRALITY TO SUPPORT THE ALLIES

REPORT DENIED OF BRITISH NOTE RE-GERMAN SHIPS

Washington, Jan. 31.—The published report that Britain has told the States that any Government purchase of German ships would be considered un-neutral, was officially denied today.

### Canadians Get Another Taste of Actual Fighting

Take Part in the Defence of La Bassée see Trenches Against Strong German Attack.

London, Feb. 1.—A Reuter despatch from Northern France, says that Princess Patricia's Light Infantry, the first of the Canadian Contingent to reach the front, took part in the defence of the British trenches near La Bassée, which were attacked by the Germans on Jan. 25th, and lost four killed and a number wounded.

Next day, Lieut. Price of the Canadians, was killed, while leading his company into a trench, and another officer named Plenson is reported to be killed.

The Canadians took a number of German prisoners, and inflicted severe losses on a Landstrum regiment which attacked their trenches.

### "Morwenna" In Collision

Collides With a Ferry Boat in Halifax Harbour.

Halifax, Feb. 1.—The str. Morwenna, under charter of the Red Cross Line to take a general cargo of merchandise to Newfoundland, was in collision with the Dartmouth ferry boat Saturday evening, while in the harbor pulling out from the railway terminus to start her voyage to St. John's.

A hole was stove in the bow of the Morwenna above the water-line. It will probably take ten days to complete repairs.

It has been rumored the past few days that Lady Davidson is soliciting funds for an English regiment to which her brother is attached.

Break up a Meeting Convened in Rome to Ask for the Maintenance of Italy's Neutrality

**TROOPS SUMMONED TO QUELL CROWD**

Shouts of "Down with Austria and Germany" and "Long Live France"—Tried to Attack Austrian Embassy

Rome, Feb. 1.—Troops had to be called out today to re-establish order at a meeting organized by the Senators and Members of the Chamber of Deputies and other prominent persons with the purpose of forwarding a movement in favor of Italy maintaining her neutrality in the war.

A large number of persons, mostly Republicans who are against the maintenance of neutrality, gathered at the entrance to the hall, and, in spite of the efforts of the police, attacked the Neutralists.

Deputy Bruno Belmonte, leader of the Neutralists had his ears boxed and some one spat in his face. He defended himself with his cane.

During the disorder cries of "shame!" "Prince Von Buelow has bought you!" "You supporters of Austria!" rose from the anti-neutralists.

Finding that the police could not properly handle the situation, troops were called out and restored order.

After this incident, the anti-neutralists attempted to approach the Austrian Embassy crying "Down with Austria!" "Down with Germany!" "Long live France!" and "Long live the war!"

Troops again had to be called upon to disperse the crowds.

### Belgian Relief People Would Buy Wilhelmina's Cargo

London, Feb. 1.—The Commission for the relief of Belgium announces that it has made an offer for the cargo of the American steamer Wilhelmina which sailed from New York for Hamburg on Jan. 22nd, with food supplies for Germany.

Portia arrived at Placentia at 9.30 a.m. and left at 10.20.

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Charcoal, for poultry, 10 lbs. for 35c.	"Spratt's" Mebo, meat and bone for laying hens, 7 lb. bag for 38c.
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## 25 Newfoundland Naval Reservists Who Went Down In The "Viknor"

When H.M.S. Viknor was lost, the following members of the Newfoundland Royal Naval Reserve are understood to have been serving aboard her:

**BARNES, ENOS**—Change Islands. Married. Franconia.

**BRACE, ALBERT**—Son of Mrs. Mary Brace, Chance Cove, T.B. Single. Franconia.

**COATES, GEORGE**—Son of Mr. Philip Coates, Fogo. Single. Franconia.

**DYKE, GILBERT**—Son of Mrs. Louisa Dyke, Salvage Bay. Single. Carthaginian.

**GREENING, JAMES**—Son of Mrs. Jane Greening, Somerville, B.B. Single. Carthaginian.

**JACKSON, THOMAS**—Son of Mrs. Alice Jackson, Brigus. Single. Carthaginian.

**JERRETT, LEVI**—Son of William and Mary Jerrett, 97 Southside, St. John's. Single. Franconia.

**KELLY, ALBERT**—Son of John and Emmeline Kelly, Cupids. Single. Franconia.

**LEWIS, PHILIP**—Son of Mrs. Melina Reynolds, Caplin Cove, Bay de Verde. Single. Franconia.

**MARTIN, SANDY**—Son of Mrs. Rebecca Martin, Battery Road, St. John's. Single. Franconia.

**MERCER, JOHN B.**—Son of Mrs. Lizzie Mercer, Bay Roberts. Single. Franconia.

**MORGAN, FREDERICK**—Son of Mr. Joseph Morgan, Seal Cove, Harbor Main. Single. Carthaginian. Has two brothers in Reserve, John and Heber, who sailed on the Carthaginian also.

**MORGAN, WILLIAM G.**—Son of Mrs. Sarah Morgan, Port de Grave. Single. Franconia.

**PARSONS, JOHN**—Catalina. No such address appears in the different lists. There are four John Parsons in the Reserve. Two are on the Niobe, and the other two sailed on the Franconia. Both are unmarried.

**PEACH, HENRY W.**—Son of Mrs. Elizabeth Peach, Arnold's Cove, Placentia Bay. Married. Franconia.

**RALPH, CHARLES**—Son of Mr. Stephen Ralph, Jr., Flat Island, Bonavista Bay. Single. Franconia.

**ROWE, CHARLES**—Trinity. Nephew of Reuben Clarke, 26 Carter's Hill, St. John's. Single. Franconia.

**ST. CROIX, WILLIAM**—Ward of Mr. Fred Walsh, Trepassy. Single. Franconia.

**SMART, EDWARD**—Son of Mrs. Fanny Smart, Alexander Bay, B.B. Single. Franconia.

**SPARKES, ELI**—Son of Mrs. Mary J.

Sparkes, Shearstown, Bay Roberts. Single. Franconia.

**STRINGER, GEORGE**—Son of Mrs. William T. Stringer, Little Heart's Ease. Single. Franconia.

**WALSH, DOUGLAS**—Son of Mrs. Minnie Hutchings, Cow Head, St. Barbe. Single. Franconia.

**WARREN, ALBERT**—Son of Mrs. Mary A. Warren, Gooseberry Island, B.B. Single. Carthaginian.

**YOUDEN, GEORGE**—Georgetown, Brigus. Married. Franconia.

**YOUDEN, THOMAS**—Brigus. Married. Franconia.

Four of the above 25 were married; 21 were single. They came from 21 different towns and settlements,—from Brigus 3; from Bay Roberts 2; from St. John's 2; and one from each of 18 other places. By districts, the roll is:

Conception Bay	9
Bonavista Bay	5
Trinity Bay	4
St. John's	2
Elsewhere	5 25

The Reservists in the Viknor were taken, twenty from the Franconia's complement and five from that of the Carthaginian.