Britain Ready For Next Raid By Cruisers

POLICE SEARCH LOCAL THEATRE FOR SWORDS BORROWED FROM WIVES OF OFFICERS AT FROM

Ladies Asked Investigation Cruiser Bailt After Military Play Was Put On.

UNIFORM ALSO TAKEN

Tom Marks Denied All Knowledge of Military Equipments Which Disappear.

A search of the Grand Opera House a tunic, a sergeant-major's stripes and a sergeant-major's crown, which mysteriously disappeared after they had been "borrowed" by an unknown individual some weeks ago. The wives of play several of which were put on by

Mrs. William Coles, wife of Major Coles. A. S. C., now at Salisbury; Mrs. Dunlevy, wife of Sergt.-Major Dunlevy now at Salisbury, and Mrs. Courtenay,

Before Play Appeared

performance of "Under the British Flag," played by the Marks Company. Mrs. Williams was called by telephone and told that Capt. McLean, of the Seventh Regiment, was speaking, and that he wished to borrow for military purposes a tunic belonging to Capt. Williams. Mrs. Williams called some of the military authorities, and was told that if Capt. McLean had asked for it, it have reached the German armies would be advisable to lend the tunic. Russian front, making altogether Then a man called for it. Later on. it Von Hindenburg with a month. The was learned that Capt. McLean had not called. It was suggested by a milisend two corps to Hungary, while borrowed the uniform, and the police were asked to secure it within three hours of the time it was given. The tary man that the Marks Company had t tunic was not secured.

Tils One Came Back. A swo I was borrowed from Major front led to disaster there Coles' home. Later, Mrs. Coles called Manager J. R. Minhinnick about it. He denied that he knew where it was, offensive movements against the Rus Shortly after, Mrs. Coles says, a boy sians in the last few days appear who said a man had given him the

geant-Major Dunlevy. No trace of them has ever been secured since.

The sword and decorations of a ser-

A uniform was secured from Sergeant-Major Courtenay's home.

Knew His Way About. Someone who knew that the military men had taken only their khaki uniorms did the collecting. Since that time only the sword borrowed from the home of Major Coles has been returned. The few days. sword secured from Sergt.-Major Dunlevy's home was 30 years old, and highly

orized by the family. The theatrical people denied all knowledge of the swords and uniforms. There were swords used in plays, but these, according to a statement made by Mr. Minhinnick to The Advertiser, were owned by the company or members of

Didn't See Trunks,

The search of the theatre was made by Detective Egelton and the wives of two of the military men One of the latter stated today that they arrived without notice, and that when they got in the door Mr. Marks went down Reuter Telegram Company has received man Levantine Line, was found navigatstairs in a hurry and later came up a dispatch from its Athens correspond- ing off the Turkish coast near Kerasunt, saying that they "now could make the search." Nothing was found. It was stantinople has been court-martialed and condemned to death on the charge ish officers and twelve soldiers obeyed adjes to look in trunks for the lost articles, the police maintaining that Constanting the theatrical people were right in re-

Manager Minhinnick states that the Greek legation. search was made "at the invitation of he house." He denies absolutely that Marks or anyone before the "borrowing." One of the ladies stated that Mr. Marks said he had asked Mr. Minhinnick to get him a sword.

Another statement made after the search was to the effect that one of the actors had admitted using a sword West End business district here today, like Sergt.-Major Dunlevy's, and that it fired two shots at the cashler, gatherdid not belong to the company.

Investigation Continues.

will be cleared up rather sensation-ally within a short time. That such a ally within a short time. That such a supposed to be the same automobile trick could be played on the wives of bandit, and another bundle of money, officers who are serving their country value not known, was obtained. is characterized as disgraceful by those who are making it their business to get ably seriously injured. The bandit again the facts. Several conferences have escaped in an automobile driven bold with Magistrate Judd.

In Record Time

London, Dec. 17.—2:12 p.m.—What iescribed by the admiralty as a record mplete today and placed in commisten and a half months after her contract was May 31, 1915. Cammil, Laird & Co., of Birkenhead, built the cruiser, which is of 3,800 tons displace-

MANY SUCCESSES

Turks Took Offensive, But Their Forces Were Demor-

GERMAN REINFORCEMENTS

Nine Army Corps Said To Have Reached Von Hindenburg in Month.

Petrograd, via London, Dec. 17. — A army staff in the Caucasus says: "The The uniforms were borrowed on October 1 and 2, immediately before a sumed the offensive in the Euphrate valley and the Van region, which result ed in a number of engagements of sec-ondary importance. In these battles the

> are demoralized, and in some cases have lost half their effectiveness." GERMAN REINFORCEMENTS. [Canadian Press.]

with the result that the Turkis

aining twenty corps on the Polish from he says, includes three active corp withdrawal of which from the Servian

> AUSTRIANS ATTACKING. [Canadian Press.]

London, Dec. 17 .- The first extensive have been achieved by the Austrian in West Galicia. Here the Russian according to advices received from the zone o hostilities, have been attacked geant-major were "borrowed" in about simultaneously from two sides; on the a movement from the southward. Force Russians North.

Report that the Austrians are follow. the south shows, in the opinion of forces in Western Poland.

TURKS CONDEMN GRECIAN OFFICER

Allege He Was Spying-Ambassador Protests Against His Execution.

[Canadian Press.] ent saying that a Greek naval officer and was sunk by a Russian warship, afof spying, particularly in connection the order, and the others went down with the departure of steamers from with the ship.

The Greek minister to Turkey has pro- key, 70 miles fest of Trebizond, on the tested, and demanded that the con-demned man be turned over to the

A DARING ROBBERY

ne said anything about swords to Mr. Single Bandit Gets Away With \$8,000 From Cincinnati Bank.

[Canadian Press.] Cincinnati, Dec. 17.—An unidentified automobile bandit entered the West 1 End branch of the Provident Savings Bank and Trust Company at 80th and Freeman avenues, in the heart of the ed together about \$8,000, jumped into waiting automobile and has thus far

escaped.

Parties who are interested are at Liberty Banking and Savings Company, at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks from the scene of the Davis and the scene of the Davis at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks from the scene of the Davis at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks from the scene of the Davis at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks from the scene of the Davis at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks from the scene of the Davis at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks from the scene of the Davis at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks from the scene of the Davis at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks from the scene of the Davis at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks from the scene of the Davis at Liberty Banking and Savings Company, at Liberty Banking and Saving blocks from the scene of the Provident Bank, was entered by a man, who is supposed to be the same automobile bandit, and another bundle of money, value not known, was obtained.

George Winters, cashler of the Liberty Bank, was shot by the bandit and probably seriously injured. The bandit and probably seriously injured. The bandit and probably seriously injured. The bandit and some of them fel amage was escaped in an automobile driven of himself.

All damage done here was to buildings which were without the slightest might will be shown that escaped a few brightest man, who is supposed to be the same automobile with the salvation Army, which has head the Salvation Army the Salvation Army the Cloudy Cloudy of the Gardiner, of this city, is returning home to take up the Salvatio g the matter up, and it is said that at Liberty and Freeman avenues, ten blocks from the scene of the Provident Bank, was entered by a man who is

The police in another car

HER FIRST CENTENNIAL

An American cartoon marking the hundred years of peace between Britain and the United States, which will find an echo in the hearts of Canadians





This is one of the many remarkable cartoons from the weekly that ha a taken such a strong stand for the Allies in the present war. In another page [From Life, New York.] Life pictures a gorilla with a young woman under his arm, a torch in his ha nd. On his head is a spiked German helmet and his cruel teeth are bared. The Advertiser has published many of Life's cartoons since the war ebgan, bel leving that they would make the friendship of this country and the United States, welded by so many bonds of practical business and sentiment, stronger than ever.

SEVENTY-FOUR KILLED IN BOMBARDMENT OF COAST

GREAT CONFLICT NOW IN PROGRESS

Germans Manage To Establish Themselves Near Sochaczew, in Poland.

[Canadlan Press.] Warsaw, Russian Poland. Dec. 17 .- Via London, 4:20 p.m .- A great battle is in progress at Sochaczew, 30 miles west of Warsaw. The German wedge, which is proceedthe same way from the home of Sertion from Ldow, has managed, after heavy fighting, in which ing up the retiring Russian army from serious losses are reported to military observers, that the Russians have been inflicted, to estabare being forced northward upon their lish itself a quarter of a mile this retirement will extend to the Rus- west of Sochaczew. The Pol-

WENT DOWN WITH SKIP

Most of German Liner's Crew Stuck to Vessel Which Russians Sank.

[Canadian Press.] Petrograd, Dec. 17 .- Via London, 4:10 .m.—It was officially announced today Dec. 17 .- 11:25 a.m. - The that the steamer Der nteie, of the Gertwelve soldiers obeyed

TURKEY GOING UP

They Will Be Cheaper, Alrady, in spite of the soothing words dealers and buyers, the price is rising slightly. The market

crept up to 17 and 18 cents

One Hundred and Forty-Seven Wounded In Towns Attacked by German Raiding Official Instructions to Offi-Cruisers—Britain Fully Expects That Assaults Will Be Repeated.

three ports on the east coast of Eng-land by German cruisers, together with Bristling Wit the precautions thrown about these

Official Lists. met their deaths in the Hartlepools, der way.
while 115 were wounded. At Scarbor- Althoug mates place the Whitby casualties at as nothing else could.

two dead and two wounded.

Arrangemen Of the Hartlepool casualties seven of

[Canadian Press.]

London, Dec. 17.—10:30 a.m.—The crippling of telephone and telegraph wires by the bombardment yesterday of who bandaged their own hurts and left Bristling With Wrath. Bristling with wrath and resentme

owns by the police and the military au- at the attack on unfortified towns, Engorities, made it impossible even today, land is astir today as never before since ore than 24 hours after the shelling of war was declared. Another raid is con carborough, the Hartlepools and Whit- fidently expected, and the entire maby to obtain more than an approximate estimate of the civilian dead and wounded.

chinery of home defence has been put into motion. On the east and the southeast coast of England emergency committees are at work, while in London According to an official statement plans to organize a national guard of given out today, a total of 55 persons men too old for military service are un-

while 115 were wounded. At Scarbor-ugh 17 dead and 30 wounded was the on London seems remote, yesterday s Both official and unofficial esti- episode drove home the realities Arrangements Made.

Arrangements have been made the dead were soldiers, while of the wounded fourteen men belonged to the (Continued on Page Three.)

BRITISH BOMBARD TURKS

sians massed on the north of Piotrkow ish campaign now centres at Troops Had Concentrated On the Coast of the Gulf of Saros, North of the Dardanelles.

Athens. Dec. 17.—Via London, 11:47 a.m.—A British squadron has bombarded Turkish troops who had concentrated Sunday on the coast of the Gulf of Saros, the arm of the Aegean Sea north of the Dardanelles. This information as received here today in a dispatch from Mitylene. Details are lacking.

THOUGH TOLD TO LEAVE THREE STEAMERS SUNK BY MINES IN THE NORTH SEA

South Shields, England, Dec. 17 (via ing to their boats. London, 2:45 p.m.).—Three steamers.

The admiralty ha one believed to be a passenger ship. off Flamborough Head, last night.

one believed to be a passenger sing. Hand between ramborough Head and intended for the men, are unloaded at were sunk by mines in the North Sea, Newcastle has been stopped indefinitely. the gates, and then transferred to the Only one of these three vessels has Only one of these three vessels the soldiers of far been identified. This is the steamer Elterwater. Twelve of her London).—The steamer Princess Olga, Quartermaster Emory at the barracks, crew were saved, but seven lost this mine off here last night and went down. soldiers the packages should be so de were saved, but seven lost their

lives. The casualties on the other ships have not yet been determined, but it is have not yet been determined and yet have not yet been determined and yet have not yet have reported that the crew and passengers own boats,

GERMAN CRUISER ON FIRE AS SHE LEFT HARTLEPOOL

Price Avances, But Dealers Declare Correspondent Reports Damage To Raiders-Most of the Shots Fired At Whitby Fell Short, But Many Houses Were Damaged.

[Canadian Press.] London, Dec. 17.—The Daily Teleming to the dealers a week or graph's correspondents in the three bomthere was an oversupply. It stated that wholesalers were buyhem as a speculation. Some of the their localities:

r grocers in the city, however, are "Hartlepool-The enemy's ships were

alf a mile inland. turkeys would not rise in price. barded towns give the following details their morning lessons. their morning lessons. They fled from the schoolhouse, and took refuge in nearby places of safety.
"Scarborough—The first bombardment

damaged by the coast batteries, which damaged by the coast batteries, invaders made straight for sea at top

cers Under Quarantine Come Via Wire.

SOLDIERS' HARD ROUTINE

Closing of Exhibition Grounds Does Not Interfere With Training.

The busiest telephone in London these iays is No. 1123, known as the battalion phone at Queen's Park. The soldiers at the park are under quarantine as a precautionary measure against smallpox, a mild case having been removed to the detention hospital. In the grounds, and those who enter are kep here until the quarantine is over. orders, to the officers at the park, are transmitted by telephone from the bar-racks, where Col. E. S. Wigle and the eadquarters staff are established. There are two companies, the headarters' detail and the machine-gun the soldiers who are taking the route companies went out with their entrench- quet given by the Windsor Board of States. ing tools to go through attacking and Trade.

They are routed out early in the mornwork, after which they must meet cerqualifications on the miniature When their a raid on Canada. anges in rifle practice. norning and afternoon drills are over, hey go in for baseball and football. Last night as many as the dry can-teen would hold witnessed all the talent the camp in full operation. Songs were sung, mock trials held, and many nteresting and amusing monologues put on by men whom it was supposed hith-No Wagons Allowed. The admiralty has announced that all

No delivery wagons are allowed to enter the park, but packages and food traffic between Flamborough Head and intended for the men, are unloaded a ssroom and kitchens. Persons who want to send the sol

bound for Aberdeen, Scotland, struck a or where they are intended for special Capt. E. L. Jones is the resident offi-

cer in charge of the soldiers who are under quarantine.

Dr. H. A. Stevenson's Intentions 'for Mayoralty Are Therefore Unknown.

IS IN NEW YORK

Dr. H. A. Stevenson, named Wed-Council, is out of the city. The doctor is in New York, and, therefore, his intentions are unknown. It is expected however, that he will enter the race. "The damage at Maidow Field, a At his last election to the public utili- the merchants are quite certain the suburb, was chiefly to Curry school, ties commission, he was returned by pranks of the mercury will spell greater the largest vote ever rolled up in affluence.

> SAW THOUSANDS KILLED London Doctor in France Witnesses and other big corporations may stable War's Awful Toll.

After three months' strenuous work as "All damage done here was to buildngs which were without the slightest a practice here. The hospital reliable to the coldan auxiliary in a Paris hospital, Dr. E.

BAYONETS

French Official Statement Reports Successes and Progress Made In Vermelles Region-Germans Claim To Have Repulsed Attacks and Inflicted Losses.

Paris, Dec. 17 .- 2:50 p.m. - The French war office gave out an official stateat this afternoon as follows: "Between the sea and the Lys we have occupied several German trenches the point of the bayonet, and organized the territory taken from the enemy

the west of Cheluvelt. "We have made progress at some points in the region of Vermelles "There has been no infantry action along the remainder of the front, but e report very effective shooting on the part of our heavy artillery in the enrons of Tracy-le-Val, on the Aisne and in Champagne, as well as in the

e, and in the region of Verdun.

GERMANY'S REPORT. Berliu, Dec. 17.-Via London, 3 p.m.-Army headquarters today issued the French continued their attacks at Nieut without success. Attacks were attempted at Zillebecke and LaBassee, but

"The intention of the French to throw a bridge over the Aisne at Soi

MORE VICTORIES. on the east and west Prussian frontiers. The Russian

Effect of Raid Is To Stimulate Recruiting

Rush in London Like That at Outbreak of Hostilities-The Allies Have Clearly Taken Up Offensive in

Dec 17.-12:25 p.m.-The n the British Isles. The tending armies would appear

ny respects the scenes witnessed mans out of Belgium,

at the outbreak of the war. raid is still being widely dis- converted the Ge sed. Other results from it are prepos at coast points for the protec- a straight fro SAY WINDSOR CAMP WOULD BE AFFRONT

TO U.S. NEUTRALITY

moved to the detention hospital. In the meantime, no one is allowed to leave the Military Men Oppose Mobilization of Battalion On Border, Claiming It Would Be Li ke Carrying a Chip On the Shoulder to Americans.

Col. W. E. Hodgins, district officer battalion of 1,200 or 7,300 men in Windcommanding this division, left for Chat- sor would excite comment in Detroit commanding this division, left for Chat-ham and Windsor today, and tonight and the motive of their presence there be construed into a lack of faith in the marches cross-country. Today the two he will be a guest of honor at a ban- professed neutrality of the United

It is believed here that the Windsor talion for another reason. It will mea No Cinch in Quarantine.

The soldiers at the park have no cluch guest that one of the new battalions, which it is proposed to mobilize in this of this would be spent in Windsor. ing, and put through rigorous training This request is made principally for the es the border who may contemplate

Carrying Chip on Shoulder. There are several objections in miliary circles to having a battalion trained battalions are recruited it may be in Windsor, and one, most often quoted, sary to recruit them at various cities s that it would be like carrying a chip the division on the shoulder to a nation neutral in Guelph and St. Thomas, and train the war and one at least very friendly in squads or companies for a conside

Clear, Cold Spell Say Wiseacres

High Barometer Sure Indication of This, They Claim-Superstitious Rejoice. "A green Christmas makes a full

graveyard" runs the old adage, and the superstitious are comforting themselves with the fact that the barometer runs unusually high, and the weatherman predicts a spell of clear, cold weather. With the ground all covered with snow and shiver in their heaviest garments, they nesday evening as the mayoralty tell all who will listen to them, that a nominee of the Trades and Labor white Christmas is prophetic of a full harvest, good health and prosperity. Judging by the impetus given to Christmas buying as a result of the cold snap,

summer has the barometer registered so high-29.72-and according to the wiseacres, the street railway company their snowplows for the present. At 8 o'clock this morning the thermometer read four above zero, the low-

ifty degrees, imagination tells then fortable, would be unendurable

Windsor, of course, wants the bat

While Col. Hodgins has given no intimation of how he stood on the question

mobilization in the border city for the

It was said today that when the ne

NEXT BRITISH MAIL

The next British mail closes ton row at 10 a.m.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. Following were the highest and lov sting in the air that makes them est temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock night: Highest, 16; lowest,

above zero.

The official temperatures for the 18 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were Highest, 16; lowest, 3 above zero. TOMORROW-MILDER

Forecasts.

temperature. Temperatures. The following previous to 8 a.m. toda; Stations.