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RUSSIAN WARSHIPS SWEEPING DOWN ON TURKEY

ALLIES HOLD ADVANTAGE AT EVERY POINT OF BATTLE

REVOLUTION IN TURKEY LIKELY

Dispatch Says People Are Being Starved To Gorge Soldiers.

TRUTH CAREFULLY HIDDEN

Rumor of Anything Wrong Is Certain To Result in Anti-German Outbreak.

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 5.—A delayed dispatch to the London Morning Post, from Constantinople, dated February 24, says:

"This place seems to be laboring more and more under Prussian military law, which means, in other words, the armies must be allowed to gorge in plenty, even if civilians have to starve. If this state of things continues much longer, I should not be surprised were a revolution to break out.

Wonderful Stories.

"The Tanin goes on publishing wonderful stories of victories by the Turkish army in Egypt and of the Suez Canal, while we are told that the whole Russian army is in full retreat and Britain blockaded by German submarines. This news is passed around the bazaars in the hope of keeping the kettle of enthusiasm at least warm, for it no longer reaches the boiling point, and no wonder; for how can a half-starved people be expected to rave over the victory which brings them no apparent relief?

Truth Would Be Fatal.

"We have learned to read the Tanin reports with a considerable amount of skepticism, and would give a lot to get hold of a British, French, or even a neutral paper, but these are tabooed, and the German censors take good care that nothing leaks through which is likely to cause any uneasiness among the Turks. The slightest rumor that anything was wrong at present would be fatal, for the underlying distrust of the Germans which exists in the minds of Turkish circles might break out in a public demonstration and cause endless trouble.

Fixing Up Goeben.

"Great nervousness is already being felt regarding the Dardanelles, for enormous activity is being manifested in the dockyards. Workmen spread rumors that the outer forts must have been damaged. The poor old Goeben is being hammered day and night with redoubled energy, and it is believed she will, at least, be able to use her guns as a sort of coast defence if the worst comes to the worst.

"One thing is certain—that is, that if the British and French fleets get through the Dardanelles there will be a panic here."

MERITED PROMOTION OF LONDON CONSTABLE

Thomas Bolton Made Patrol Sergeant by Commissioners.

Thomas Bolton, who has been occupying the position of acting patrol sergeant since Sergt. Barnhill left for the front with the first contingent, has been promoted by the police commission to patrol sergeant.

Sergt. Bolton is one of the members of the old school, having joined the department some twelve years or so ago. In more than one instance, Bolton has distinguished himself in aiding his fellow-officers to keep law and order in the city. Among his fellows Bolton is one of the most popular and best-liked members of the department.

HIT IN ARM ON RESCUE ERRAND

Canadian in Hospital Tells of Experiences On Firing Line.

NOVICES SOON CARELESS

Pay No Attention To Deadly Bullets Whistling Past Them.

[Special Cable to The Advertiser.)

London, March 5.—The "Little Black Devils" have had their first gruelling in the present war, and two of their numbers are now in Shorncliffe. Corp. Charles Smith, of Allan, Killiam and McKay, has compound fracture of his left arm, and Pte. Fred Welsh has pretty much the same injury to his right arm. Pte. Welsh has as roommates Pte. Lawton, of Toronto, whose story was told yesternight, and Pte. Comer, of Sydney, N. S., who have been invalided.

With four companies Welsh went up to the trench a week yesterday. They were under Capt. Durand, and had with them an equal number of the Somersets. He was in the trench about eighteen hours before being hit, and probably would have escaped this experience but for his own pluck in vol-

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SAW AIRCRAFTS ENGAGE IN DUEL

Lieut. W. C. Butler Writes Two Interesting Letters To Parents in London.

MORE GERMAN "KULTUR"

Enemy Ousted Old French Folk From Beds—Routed by British.

Lieut. W. C. Butler, signalling officer of the 1st Battalion, secretary of the Liberal Club, and son of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Butler, of Cheapside street, has written two interesting letters from the front, in which he describes a fight between two aeroplanes which was witnessed by the London men while on their march toward the front in France.

In his first letter, dated February 14, Lieut. Butler tells of the arrival of the troops. He and his signallers, and others of the London men, were billeted in a village, the name of which could not be given.

Germans Took Beds.

"There has been some fighting in this village, and seven German officers slept in this very house" (the one in which he is staying), says the letter. "Just imagine, they made the parents, who are 60 years old, and all the family, sit up all night, and the Germans slept in their beds. That is German 'kultur,' all right, isn't it? The tower of the church here was demolished, and the hospital also hit. But the Germans only stayed here one day, for they were driven out in a hurry by the English next day.

"It is strange," the letter continues, "to notice the absence of able-bodied men, only old men, women and children being seen. I don't suppose there is one family in France which has not some one at the front.

Londoner Gets Change.

"I understand Gordon Hunt has been put in the mechanical transport," says another sentence.

"We took the signallers and the machine-gun corps for a route march today," says the letter of the 16th. "We saw the trenches where fighting had taken place, and passed through a village in which a machine gun bad been placed in a church tower by the Germans. The British attacked and threw the Germans out of the tower, gun and all.

Aeroplane Fight.

"We saw two aeroplanes fighting high up in the air, while the sound of guns was above everything. We could see the shells exploding around the airships. These were being fired by the artillery. Infantry fire is of no use for attacking aircraft."

Lieut. Butler tells that he has been appointed one of the censors for the contingent. He examines the letters written by the men and also "franks" them. One of the brothers of Admiral Beatty is on the Canadian staff. He is a fine officer, and everyone likes him."

While no mention is made that the troops are moving forward, it is evident that they expected to be in action within a short time.

These Men Defended London Last Night

Advertiser Illustrations

Section commanders of Base Company, 18th Battalion, who with other members of Base Company fought off invading troops in sham battle in north end of city last night. The names of the men in picture alone are: Section Commanders Traynor, Tooke, McDonald, Babcock, Childs, Jackson; Sergeant Herbert and Captain Shuttleworth.

MILLIONS FOR WAR BUT NOT ONE CENT FOR GRAFT

Hon. Geo. P. Graham Charges Tories With Dealing in Treachery.

ARE READY FOR ELECTION

Liberals Do Not Fear Issue If Government Chooses To Go To People.

"Millions for war but not one cent for shameful graft."
HON. GEORGE P. GRAHAM.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, March 4.—"Because the allied fleet is breaking through the Dardanelles, is that any reason why we should sit silent and allow anyone who wishes to break into the treasury of the country?" was a question flung across the floor of the House at Finance Minister White by Hon. G. P. Graham at midnight. The words came like a bolt from the blue, and what followed was received with evidences of consternation by the Conservatives.

Earlier in the day Hon. W. T. White, formerly a professed Liberal, who left his party one month, and took office with the Conservatives the next, delivered a lecture to the Opposition which strongly intimated that the members were lukewarm in loyalty and always had been.

"It is not for the Minister of Finance to say that we are disloyal; he formerly claimed to be one of us. It is not for anyone to say that Liberals or any other Canadian lacks loyalty. We are all loyal. On this side we have sent aid to the battles of the Empire in the past. Today we vote millions for war without a question. Nay, nay, more than this, we have sent our members and our sons to the battle line."

Examples of Loyalty.

Hon. Mr. Graham pointed to Dr. Clark, of Red Deer, to Mr. Gauvreau, of Temiscouata, and to Mr. Hower, of Quebec, as Liberal members who have sons in the trenches today, and to the vacant seat of Hon. Dr. Beland, a former member of the Laurier administration, now a prisoner in Germany, and the first Canadian to take service and shed his blood in defence of freedom against Prussian militarism.

"We are ready to vote millions today for war, but we are not prepared to vote a dollar for shameful graft," he said, alluding to the evidences of extravagance which have been disclosed.

Truce and Treachery.

"The political truce has been spoken of and gentlemen on the Conservative side have charged us with breaking the truce," said Mr Graham. "Is there a political truce; I say that there has been truce on one side and treachery on the other. In August, a few days after war was declared, Parliament met here. Without a question we on this side, voted millions for defence. It was understood then that there was a truce; yet what was going on at that very moment. At the time

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Canadians Saw Mine, But Transport Dodged It

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, March 5.—A description of the hardships experienced when his regiment crossed from England to France, is given by Lieutenant Rodolphe De Serres, of the First Royal Montreal Regiment, first Canadian contingent, in a letter to his father here.

Writing on board the Australind, Lieut. De Serres says one man was killed on the boat, eight more were injured, and a lifeboat was carried away, so great was the storm which raged during the trip; the course of the transport had to be changed to avoid a mine, which was plainly visible; the officers slept on the bare deck after they had carried a 60-pound "pack" from Salisbury Plain to Bristol, and the vessel carried 1,800 men instead of 600, for which it had accommodation.

ALL NEWS IN ALLIES' FAVOR

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 5.—Even if no decisive battle develops from the present Russian offensive activity on the eastern front, the Allies today are advancing the claim that the Austro-German plans for their spring campaign in the east have been measureably interfered with.

A few weeks ago Field Marshal von Hindenburg was sweeping victoriously through Northern Poland, while in the south the Austrians were pressing forward both in Galicia and in the crown land of Bukowina. Today these roles would appear to be clearly reversed.

Russian troops are attacking along the German line from the Niemen to the Vistula, and although the Germans are clinging tenaciously to their positions before Ossowetz, and at other points north of the Vistula, their thrust toward Warsaw has been brought to a standstill, and they are being slowly forced back to their own frontier.

Useless Bravery.

Other news dispatches reaching London set forth that in the south the Austrians and the Hungarians are continuing to fling themselves with great bravery and even greater loss against the Russian lines. These onslaughts have not yet abated. Referring to them, the Russian general staff declares they have brought no gains. The German contingent in the Carpathians has been reduced to three army corps, according to report in London, which leaves the Austro-Hungarians to bear the brunt of the fighting.

Has Sultan Fled?

In the meantime the allied fleets are slowly battering their way up the Dardanelles without, so far as is known, a single serious loss among the ships. The Sultan of Turkey, according to a report from Athens, already has fled from Constantinople. This, however, has not been confirmed, and reports from Turkish sources, notably an interview with Enver Pasha, deprecate the seriousness of the bombardment of the Dardanelles and insists that the real defences of the straits have not been affected.

Favorable to Allies.

It can be said that, from the British point of view, the situation today, wherever fighting is going on, is taken as being favorable to the Allies. The South African rebellion has been crushed, the Turkish invasion of Egypt seemingly has been abandoned, the reports from the eastern battlefront are favorable, no adverse news regarding the operations against the Dardanelles yet has been received, and the embargo on foodstuffs into Germany is about to be enforced. In the western arena of the war the Germans, judging from dispatches reaching here, are fighting hard to recover the ground lost during the last fortnight. Near Arras they have forced ahead somewhat, but the Allies report progress both in the Champagne and the Argonne districts.

O'CONNOR QUELLS LIVERPOOL STRIKE

"Tay-Pay's" Wonderful Address To Men Brings Them Over.

WORKERS ALL SOLDIERS

He Tells Them They Are Equal Patriots To Those in Trenches.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

London, March 5.—The extraordinary strike among the coal heavers of Liverpool has at last come to an end, the obstinate resistance of the men being finally battered down by the oratorical ordnance of T. P. O'Connor, in whose constituency most of the coal heavers live. Even for O'Connor, with all his wonderful power of Irish dockers and coal heavers, it has not been an easy task.

Waited His Time.

Mr O'Connor arrived in Liverpool early on Wednesday, and at once began his conferences with the men. These went on without apparent result until nearly 2 o'clock this morning. When everyone was too tired to argue any more, O'Connor addressed the gathering.

In impressive sentences he told them war conditioned everything, and overwhelmed every other issue. From its first hour he had realized that unless the Allies won, democracy and rights of workers would receive a blow from which they would not soon recover.

All Soldiers.

The man, however humble his calling, who helped transport material and munitions of war, was as much a soldier fighting for liberty as his brother in the trenches.

Partial resumption of work in the Clyde shipyards has become general, but many thousands of steel and iron workers in the west of Scotland are asking for big increases. Several Scottish steel works have been taken over by the Government.

Artillery Lands At Queenstown

Sixth Canadian Brigade Arrives in Ireland, Say Cables.

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, March 5.—According to private cables received in the city today, the Sixth Brigade of heavy artillery, which left about three weeks ago under the command of Major Scoully, has arrived in Queenstown, Ireland.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 31; lowest, 11.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 25; lowest, 20.

TOMORROW—SLEET OR RAIN.

Toronto, March 5—8 a.m.

Forecasts.

Strong winds and gales, northeasterly to easterly; snow this evening, tonight and Saturday, turning to sleet or rain in some localities.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	50	40	Cloudy
Calgary	22	16	Cloudy
Winnipeg	22	16	Cloudy
Port Arthur	24	12	Clear
Parry Sound	26	14	Clear
Toronto	25	20	Cloudy
Ottawa	26	16	Cloudy
Montreal	24	20	Clear
Quebec	20	16	Clear

Weather Notes.

The Texas disturbance is now approaching the Great Lakes, indicating stormy conditions for Ontario, extending later to Quebec and eastward.

RUSSIAN FLEET TO ATTACK THE TURKS

Black Sea Squadron, Steaming Towards Bosphorus, Has Already Passed Along Bulgarian Coast

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 5.—3:20 p.m.—The Russian Black Sea fleet is steaming toward the Bosphorus, says a dispatch from Rome. The Bucharest correspondent of the Giornale d'Italia of Rome, telegraphs that the Russian fleet has passed Burgas, Bulgaria.

CANADIANS' BOLD ATTACK ON TRENCH

Dispatch Says They Lost One Killed and One Wounded, But Inflicted Heavy Loss On Enemy.

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, March 5.—A dispatch to the Havas Agency from Bethune says that on March 3, a bold attack on a German trench was made by Canadian troops. The Canadians lost one killed and one wounded, and are said to have inflicted a considerable loss on the Germans.

TURKS TO LEAVE CAPITAL WHEN FLEETS BREAK THROUGH

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, March 5.—A special London cable says that the old Turk has agreed with Britain to evacuate Constantinople as soon as the fleets get through the Dardanelles so that the city will be saved.

SERIOUSLY ILL, CALLS FOR SON

Seriously ill, and continually calling for her son Joseph, relatives of Mrs. J. Grace have wired the Detroit police to try and locate her son, Joseph J. Grace, so that he can be at his mother's bedside before she closes her eyes in death.

Grace left this city and went to Detroit some three years ago, where he secured a position with a large contracting firm as teamster. Since he left here no word has been heard from him, and now that his mother is seriously ill the Detroit police have been asked to locate him.

A wire received here from Detective Wilkinson, of Detroit, said that the department there would do all in its power to locate the man.

BRITISH AVIATOR BEAT OFF ENEMIES

Twice Attacked, But Forced Two German Machines To Descend.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION

Situation Along Front Is Unchanged Since Last Report Was Published.

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 5—5 p.m.—Another of the semi-weekly communications from the headquarters of Sir John French, British commander in the field, was made public today by the official information bureau. It is under date of March 4, and is as follows:

"Since the last communication, the situation on our front has been unchanged. The results of artillery exchanges have been consistently satisfactory. Minor enterprises have been of daily occurrence, usually on our initiative.

"South of the Ypres Canal we captured a German advanced trench during the night of March 1-2, but it was rendered untenable by the enemy's artillery fire during the next day, and was evacuated. In the same neighborhood, on the 2nd, the enemy were forced to evacuate a trench by our artillery fire enabling our infantry to inflict several casualties by firing from the trenches.

"During the night of March 2-3 a German party were dispersed by a small party who advanced and bombed them. On March 2 one of our aeroplanes, flying behind the German lines was twice attacked by two German machines and forced them both to descend.

"NEWSIES" ARE TO BE GUESTS OF ADVERTISER AND UNIQUE THEATRE

The newsboys of London will be the guests of the Unique Theatre and The Advertiser between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. It is expected that more than one hundred of the boys will be present. An interesting program of instructive pictures will be given.

The boys will all have the written consent of parents, and will be admitted by tickets which have been distributed by The Advertiser. The Advertiser will have monitors accompany the boys to look after them. Much praise is due Manager Myers for cooperating to give the "newsies" a treat.

ATROCIOUS ACTS ONLY TOO TRUE

One of Best-Known Physicians In Canada Writes of German Barbarities.

OFFICERS ARE MUTILATED

Belgians Children With Hands Off, and One Little Girl Had Eyes Gouged Out.

The Advertiser has been shown two letters from one of the best-known physicians in Canada, now serving with one of the Canadian base hospitals in France, in which he gives first-hand evidence of atrocities committed by German troops on Belgian children, and tells of the most horrible mutilation of British officers who have fallen into the hands of the Germans.

The Advertiser would hesitate to print further stories of atrocities were it not for the fact that the physician swears that WITH HIS OWN EYES HE HAS SEEN THE VICTIMS AND EXAMINED THEM. His letters came from the base hospital at Belfort to a reader of The Advertiser in Western Ontario, who is a well-known capitalist.

Unbelievable Atrocities.

The physician states that for many months he had heard the stories of outrages upon Belgian children, but that until he was given the opportunity of seeing some of the victims he could not believe that human beings could be guilty of such acts.

He went from the hospital at Belfort to a point two miles distant. There, two Belgian children were being cared for. ONE OF THEM, A BOY, HAS BOTH HANDS SEVERED AT THE WRIST, WHILE THE OTHER, A GIRL, HAD LOST THE SIGHT OF HER EYES, THROUGH SOME INSTRUMENT HAVING BEEN THRUST INTO THE OPTICS.

Some Declaration.

The doctor makes a solemn declaration in his letter that he saw these children, but that for some reason he is not permitted to make public the particulars. The man to whom he wrote said he would trust the physician as he would trust himself, and that what he said could not be false.

The second charge the doctor makes, and which he supports by first-hand evidence, is that the Germans have repeatedly mutilated British officers. Their object has been to exterminate as many of the fine types of the British race as possible. MANY OF THOSE OFFICERS, WHOSE NAMES HAVE APPEARED IN A SPECIAL HONOR ROLL, HAVE BEEN THE VICTIMS OF THE MOST BARBARIC PRACTICE EVER KNOWN IN THE WORLD.

Charges Supported.

These charges are supported by the word of a man known to be moderate in his statements. The gentleman who received the letters says he will vouch for the truth of the statements contained in them.

One of the spare conductors on the London street railway has received a letter from his brother, a British soldier, invalided home to England, in which the latter states that he was taken prisoner by the Germans, mutilated, and left for dead. The information was given to The Advertiser by one of the motormen who had been shown the letter by the spare conductor.

Admiralty Confirms 2 Submarines Sunk

Collier Rammed One, Which Has Not Been Identified, and Destroyers Put An End To the U-8—Thordis Dodged Torpedo.

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 5—1:04 p.m.—Two German submarines have been sunk in British waters, according to an official announcement given out in London today.

The text of the statement is as follows:

"The Secretary of the Admiralty makes the following announcement: 'The steamship Thordis has now been examined in drydock, and injuries to her keel and her propeller confirm the evidence of Capt. Bell and the crew that on the 28th of February the vessel rammed and in all probability sank a German submarine which had fired a torpedo at her.

"'Yesterday afternoon the German submarine U-8 was sunk in the channel off Dover by destroyers; the officers and men were taken prisoner.'"

One Not Identified.

News dispatches received from Paris and London in the last twelve hours have related the sinking of two German submarines. One has been described as the U-8, the other has not been definitely identified.

The French ministry of marine announced last night that a German submarine had been sunk by French torpedo-boat destroyers, and the crew taken prisoner. This submersible the French authorities called the U-8.

Dodged the Torpedo.

The British steam collier Thordis, while making her way recently from Blyth to Plymouth, sighted a submarine. The under-sea boat fired a torpedo at the collier, but the captain of the British ship succeeded in dodging the missile and then drove his vessel at the periscope showing above the surface of the water. He claims to have struck and sent her to the bottom. His contention was supported by his mate and the members of his crew, and now it has been accepted as correct by the British naval authorities.

CREW LANDED.

Dover, Eng., March 5.—The crew of the U-8, numbering 29, was landed at Dover today and was taken to Dover Castle under an armed escort.

The U-8 was smaller than the latest German submarines, her displacement under water being 300 tons.

LOCAL POLICEMAN HONORED ABROAD

Sergeant Barnhill Goes to the Irish Constabulary.

Sergeant Barnhill, who left the police force and joined the 6th Field Battery, has been promoted to a place on the Irish Constabulary in Ireland, where he is at present.

CASUALTY LIST

One 1st Battalion Man in Unknown Continental Hospital.

[Special Cable to The Advertiser.]

London, March 5.—Following Canadians are in hospital as set forth: At Netley, Pte. Nugent, 3rd Battalion, and Bugler Sanders, of 3rd Battalion. At unknown hospital on the continent, Pte. Brompton, of 1st, and Sergt. Hamilton, 2nd Battalion. At Rouen, Pte. Salisbury, of the Pats. At Boulogne, Pte. Duchesnay, of the Pats.

MAJOR ABEL AGAIN LAPSES INTO COMA

Major H. N. Abell became unconscious again this afternoon at Victoria Hospital, after being conscious for a short time this morning. Dr. George Wilson states that his condition shows a slight improvement. He was thrown from a horse Wednesday and seriously injured.

RUSSIANS CAPTURE BUKOWINA CAPITAL

[Canadian Press.]

London, March 5.—5:08 p.m.—The Bucharest correspondent of the Evening News telegraphed today that the Russian offensive movement in Galicia had forced the Austrians to evacuate Czernowitz, the capital of Bukowina. The dispatch adds that the main Austrian forces in this region have retired in the direction of Franzenthal, to the south of the Carpathians.

POLICE LEARN WHERE FAKE CHECK MAN IS

Arrest May Come Soon—More Bad Checks Come In.

The police department today received two more complaints from businessmen who had cashed checks from Harry Findley, which had been returned from the banks stamped "no funds."

Late today the police received information as to Findley's whereabouts, and it is more than likely that his arrest will be caused shortly.

NO PROTECTION IN LAWS OF PROVINCE

People Powerless To Control Liquor Traffic, Says the Dominion Alliance.

APPEAL TO LEGISLATURE

Premier Is Asked To Prohibit Selling of Liquor During the War.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, March 5. — Five hundred members of the Dominion Alliance, in session here this week, waited on Premier Hearst and the Ontario Legislature this morning, asking that body for the promotion of legislation prohibiting the liquor traffic as far as lies within the power of the Provincial Legislative Assembly.

The delegates were composed principally of the Ontario members of the alliance, and the speakers presenting the case were Controller F. S. Spence, Toronto; Rev. Mr. Lees and Rev. Dr. Grant.

No Protection Given.

All three speakers drew the attention of the Legislature to the fact that the Ontario liquor law, as it stands today, neither protects the people from the evils of licensed liquor selling nor gives them adequate power to protect themselves, and declared that no legislation could be considered satisfactory that did not provide such protection in practical and effective form.

They asked that whatever the Government's ultimate policy might be, it should prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors in Ontario as beverages at once, and until the conclusion of the war, and that provision be made for the licensing, regulation and inspection of all houses providing hotel accommodation.

Heated Discussion.

A heated discussion took place at the morning session of the convention before the deputation waited on the Government, on the report of the legislative committee as to what measures they would ask from the Government. The trouble arose when the report of the committee was declared carried. T. T. George and J. K McLennan, both took exception to the method of railroading through such an important matter without discussion of the convention, and for some time

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