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Fixing Responsibility For The Dardanelles Campaign

It Was on the Initiative of Winston Spencer Churchill — Lord Fisher Should Have Spoken — Political Advantages Gained But at Heavy Cost — Lord Kitchener Tried to do Too Much Himself

London, Mar. 8.—The Dardanelles expedition so far as Great Britain was concerned, was undertaken on the initiative of Col. Winston Spencer Churchill, then First Lord of the Admiralty, according to a majority report of a commission appointed to inquire into the responsibility for the expedition. The report was issued today. The report summarizes the conclusions reached as follows:—

IT WOULD BE AN UNNEUTRAL ACT

Holland May Keep Her Vessels In Port

ALIES ARE IRRITATED

Would Turn Towards Making German Submarine Policy Effective — Head-up of Neutral Shipping More Serious Than Attack on Entente Tonnage

London, Mar. 8.—A report that Holland is determined to say up her ships rather than expose them to the dangers of the German submarine war zone is causing so much irritation that it would not be surprising if the governments of the Entente adopted retaliatory measures unless negotiations between London and the Hague reach a successful conclusion. A well informed diplomat expressed the prevailing feeling and policy even to the possible extent of using force which would enable the Entente governments to regulate Dutch shipping in the waters of the North Sea.



THE LION COMES BY HIS OWN

NELSON'S LIONS (one of 'em, solloquizing)—Ah! Well, well! Fifty years ago today, I've been here—and a wretched lot I've had to put up with; but, thank Heaven, these are Lion's days! (Noticing the First Sea Lord) Hello, Jellicoe, my boy!!! We know a thing or two, eh? —Pall Mall Gazette.

LEND, TURKS \$624,445,000

Germany's Advances Will Have Reached That Figure by August

Amsterdam, Mar. 8.—A Constantinople dispatch quotes the Turkish finance minister as saying to the parliament that the advances from Germany to Turkey by August would have reached a total of 142,000,000 pounds, Turkish, (\$244,445,000) at normal exchange rates. The minister spoke of the stability of Turkish paper money and announced that a treaty had been concluded with Germany under which the price of each money advanced by Germany was to be paid in Turkish gold for the retirement of paper. This would be in addition to the matter of imports after the war. The agreement with Germany, he said, indicated the retirement of all paper currency in eleven years, and Germany would collect no interest on the advances to be made to Turkey until the process was completed.

ILLNESS OF JUROR HAS CAUSED DELAY

London, March 8.—The illness of a juror has retarded the progress of the trial of Mrs. Alice Wheldon, her two daughters, Miss Ann Wheldon and Mrs. Alfred Mason and Mrs. Mason's husband, who are on trial before Justice Low in the Old Bailey, charged with conspiracy to murder Premier Lloyd George and Arthur Henderson, member of the war council. Owing to the necessity of swearing in a jury, the prosecution had to be repeated, and this repetition is taking place today.

MONKTON SOLDIER, ONE OF THREE BROTHERS IN WAR, WOUNDED

Moncton, March 8.—Another Moncton soldier, Pte. Arthur Kenneth Robertson, has been wounded in action. His mother, Mrs. William Robertson, received an official telegram from Ottawa stating that he was admitted to hospital on February 26 suffering from severe gun shot wounds in the legs. He enlisted in the 88th Battalion in St. Catharines, N.Y., 1915, and in England was transferred to another unit. Mrs. Robertson has two other sons overseas.

ADRIATIC SAFE

New York, Mar. 8.—According to the Times this morning, a wireless message received last night from the White Star Lineer Adriatic in mid-ocean stated that all was well and she was expected to arrive in New York late on Saturday or Sunday morning.

NO EMBARGO ON THE EXPORTING OF POTATOES

Ottawa, Ont., Mar. 8.—That an embargo will be placed on the export of potatoes from Canada is improbable in the light of the information collected by the minister of agriculture regarding the situation throughout the country. It is apparent that over and above what is required for domestic consumption and seed purposes there are two million bushels of potatoes in the country, whereas the average annual export is only slightly in excess of 1,100,000 bushels.

PRESIDENT WILSON KEPT TO BED TODAY; CASE NOT SERIOUS

Washington, March 8.—President Wilson, who is suffering from a cold taken a week ago and made worse during his inauguration on Monday, remained in bed today, by order of his physician.

FEAST OF PURIM

The Jewish feast of Purim is being celebrated today in commemoration of the delivery of the Jews from Aman who had obtained from King Xerxes I an edict authorizing the massacre of the Jews. Queen Esther used her influence with King Xerxes to have the decree revoked and was successful. Special services were held last evening and this morning in honor of the feast, in local synagogues.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Staples, director, meteorological service.

THE BIG GUNS ARE BUSY BETWEEN OISE AND AISNE

French Make Successful Raid in Lorraine and Check Enemy Attack

Paris, Mar. 8.—Spirited artillery action continued during the night between the Oise and the Aisne, says today's official report. The French took prisoners in raids in Lorraine and in an unsuccessful German attack on French positions at Sepois-Le-Hurt. The announcement reads:—

SENTENCED TO DEATH

Hague Killed Canadian Officer Who Had Him Prisoner on Train

Windsor, Ont., March 7.—Sentence of death was passed last night upon John Hogue, alias James Stewart, who on the night of January 25 last, shot and killed William Marshall Jackson of Winnipeg, a Canadian immigration officer on a train.

SAW HOLY LAND FROM SEAPLANE

Flight Lieutenant Dover in St. John Today

YEAR AND A HALF IN EGYPT

Speaks of British Work There — Officers Look on Turks as Bes of Their Feet But Victims of German Intrigue

To get one's first glimpse of the Holy Land, of Mount Carmel, of Jerusalem, of all the places around which Biblical history centres, from the sea of an aeroplane, seems a strange mingling of the old and the new. This was the experience of Flight Lieutenant M. A. Dover of the Royal Air Force, who on his way from Port Said, Egypt, to his former home for a short furlough.

CANADIENS WIN FIRST OF POST-SEASON GAMES

Montreal, Mar. 8.—Notwithstanding the fact that "Dane Fortune" lined up with the Senators, the Canadiens last night established a lead of three goals in the National Hockey Association championship game of the post-season series for the Stanley Cup against Seattle, title winners of the Pacific coast league. It was one of the fastest, most brilliant and exciting battles that has been seen this season at the Arena. The final record of the score board was five goals to two, but the final score is not really representative of the play.

SHIPPING BUSINESS AT FRENCH PORTS GOES STEADILY ON

Paris, March 7.—The following official figures are issued this evening: "During the week ended at midnight on March 4, 889 merchant ships of more than 100 tons left French ports, and 891 under this tonnage were sunk by submarines or mines, as well as sixteen fishing smacks."

GETS SIX MONTHS HOIST

Mr. Rowell's Bill Which Would Give Women Place in Ontario Legislature

Toronto, March 8.—On motion of Premier Hearst in the legislature last night N. W. Rowell's bill to remove the disqualification of women as candidates for the legislature was given a six months' hoist.

FURTHER STEPS TOWARDS AMALGAMATION OF TWO LOCAL CHURCHES

Plans for the amalgamation of St. Stephen's and St. John Presbyterian churches will be outlined at a meeting at which Rev. Frank Baird of Woodstock, convener of the Presbytery committee on the matter, will preside. He arrived in the city today. The meeting will be attended by representatives of both congregations. So far the work has been preliminary, and this meeting will mark the step towards the actual union.

BIG INCREASE IN POTATO ACREAGE FOR THIS YEAR

Boston, March 8.—An increase of 25 per cent in potato acreage this year is indicated by Wilfrid Wheeler, secretary of the state board of agriculture, after a survey of the farmers reported that planting prospects this year were unusually good, but that the acreage will depend largely upon their ability to buy seed. They predicted a sharp decline in the price of seed potatoes by the beginning of the planting season.

CANNED FRUIT GOES UP

New York, March 8.—Prices of canned fruits on Wednesday showed advances ranging from four to nine cents a can. Canned vegetables also have responded to the increased demand.

THE RUSSIANS PRESSING ON

Petrograd, March 8.—The Russians in Persia have made further important progress in their pursuit of the Turks for Hamadan. The war office announced this today. After their capture of some 2000 prisoners and their progress southward and on Monday occupied the town of Langar.

COLONEL W. I. GRAH HERE

Colonel W. I. Grah here, accompanied by Mrs. Grah, arrived in the city at noon today. He is vice-president and general manager of the Robert Ford Co., Ltd., a big shipping concern, and after a visit to the local offices here will leave tonight for a visit to the Halifax. Since the war began, Colonel Grah, who had for many years been interested in the militia, has taken a very active part in aiding the organization of overseas units and has in many ways displayed the public spirit for which he always has been noted.

IRISH PARTY DECIDING COURSE AT MEETING THIS AFTERNOON

London, March 8.—(By the Associated Press).—Pending a decision, which is to be taken at an adjourned meeting of the Irish party at two o'clock this afternoon, the outcome of the new house was regarded with the greatest uncertainty and no little anxiety. Whether the exit of John Redmond and his followers was spontaneous or as Unionists say, carefully organized beforehand for effect, it took the house somewhat by surprise and has created a situation which is regarded in some quarters as acute as at any period in the long drawn out home rule struggle.

KING WANTS 5,000 MORE CANADIANS FOR FORESTRY WORK

Ottawa, March 8.—Prohibition of the import of timber into Great Britain will necessitate increased domestic production in the United Kingdom and as a result of this a call has come for 5,000 more Canadians for forestry work. The men will go over to supplement the 5,000 who have already gone over in forestry work. Experience in lumbering is necessary. The medical tests are relaxed somewhat and the age limit is raised to forty-eight. Flat footed people are eligible. "As the men are to go in drafts rather than by battalions of men will not be needed."

THE PUBLIC HEALTH

A bill before the Nova Scotia legislature provides:—

RECALLING WILL BE CARRIED ON IN MONTREAL

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