

BRITISH DEFEAT TURKS BY WATERS OF BABYLON

General Aymer's Relief Column Six Miles From Kut-el-Amara.

VICTORY WON AT WADDI

Position of Enemy Carried Saturday by Forces Advancing Up Tigris.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Announcement was made in the house of commons today that the Turkish forces in Mesopotamia have fallen back to within six miles of Kut-el-Amara, where the first British Bagdad expedition is surrounded.

The announcement was made by J. Austen Chamberlain, secretary for India, who said the Turks had retreated as the result of another British victory.

The Turkish positions at Waddi, he said, were carried on Saturday by the British.

"The recent operations in Mesopotamia, including the advance to Ctesiphon, were considered and approved by the war council," said Mr. Chamberlain. "It would not be in the public interest that I should make any statement on the scope of the operations now in progress. Information of that kind in the present circumstances would be far more valuable to the enemy than to us."

Gen. Aymer's Triumph. "On the 11th inst., I announced to the house that the enemy had retreated to Esslan, a position six miles east of Kut-el-Amara. He, however, apparently advanced again on the 12th to what is called 'in the telegram' the Waddi position. Since then we have received telegrams from Gen. Townshend up to the morning of the 15th, and from these telegrams it appears that Gen. Aymer was pressing back two divisions on the left bank at and about the Waddi position. There was continuous fighting on the 13th in the neighborhood, and on the morning of the 14th Gen. Aymer reported that the enemy were again retiring, and that he himself was moving his headquarters and his war transport to the mouth of the Waddi. On the 15th Gen. Aymer reported that the whole of the Waddi position had been captured."

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tured and the enemy rearguard had taken up a position at Esslan. "Gen. Aymer reports that the operations were seriously hampered throughout by weather, and I am sorry to say that the weather is reported to be bad. "All the wounded have been sent down the river."

\$2.25 Niagara Falls, Ont., and Return —\$2.70 Buffalo and Return From Toronto, Jan. 22.

The Toronto Bowling Club is running an excursion to Niagara Falls and Buffalo, on Saturday, Jan. 22, leaving Toronto 8:10 a.m. via Grand Trunk Railway. Return fare to Niagara Falls, Ont., \$2.25, and Buffalo \$2.70. Tickets are valid returning on all regular trains up to and including Monday, Jan. 24.

CLASS IN AGRICULTURE OPENED AT BERLIN, ONT.

Forty Students Receive First Lesson From J. S. Knapp, County Representative.

Special to The Toronto World. BERLIN, Ont., Jan. 17.—A four-weeks winter course in agriculture commenced this morning when nearly forty men gathered for their first lesson of the course under the leadership of J. S. Knapp, the county representative, and his assistant, W. F. Strong.

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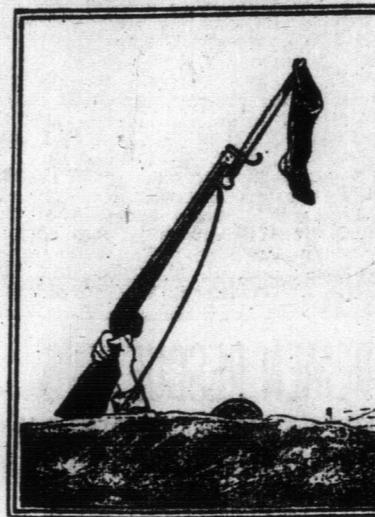
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DON'T FORGET



Toronto World Sox Day, Feb. 15.

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CALL WOMEN TO KNIT FOR WORLD'S SOX DAY

Those Who Cannot Knit Can Buy Sox and Donate Them for Cause.

Will every woman in Toronto knit and donate a pair of socks for The World 'Sox Day,' Feb. 15? While the men are doing their bit, there is a duty at home for every patriotic woman. The World is ready for recruits today. Phone or call between the hours of 12 and 5 and offer to do your bit. At present the World has very little wool in stock. Two machines are available and many extra socks could be turned out if there was sufficient wool to go on with. Those wishing to donate wool should purchase 4-gly fingering gray or khaki yarn or 3-ply wheeling. Women who cannot knit could help along this most urgent work by purchasing socks—beautifully knitted, at the Toronto Women's Patriotic League, 559 Sherbourne street, and thus forward to someone at the front. This is going to be a donation to be proud of and your name should be among the ones who helped to provide warm comfy socks for some good fellow in the trenches. The name of the worker will be left in every pair, so that the boy who gets his wool socks from someone at home was making it easier for him. Send in your socks or your services today. Socks, wool—be sure it is the right kind. All are acceptable and as much as can be spared. Our workshop is open every day from 12 till 5, well-lit and sunny, with comfortable chairs for the knitters. Join the 'Sox Sisters' today before it is too late for further places in Canada to subscribe for shares in a so-called syndicate dealing with real estate in Alberta, British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Ontario, and Quebec, U.S.A., and misrepresenting the character of the money invested. The third charge then with defrauding the Brookville Investors Limited, out of \$2250 and \$55,000 respectively.

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ADMITTED SMUGGLING DIAMONDS TO STATES

Herman Deitz and Son Sentenced at New York for Evasion of Customs.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—Herman J. Deitz and his son, Charles Deitz, bankrupt diamond dealers, called to trial today before Judge Hunt in the United States District Court, for smuggling nearly half a million dollars' worth of jewels across the Canadian border, brought the case to a sudden end by pleading guilty. The elder Deitz was sentenced to a year and a day in the Federal prison at Atlanta, Ga., and the son to pay a fine of \$5000. The court decreed that if the fine was not paid by next Monday Charles Deitz should be brought before him for sentence.

M'CUTCHEON TRIAL ON IN CRIMINAL ASSIZES

Medical Man Attends Daily to Keep Jurymen Healthy and Fit for Task.

THREE FACE THE COURT

Hearing Proceeds After Jurors Are Warned Against Making Prejudicial Comment.

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Special Precautions. Before the empanelling, special enquiries had been made regarding the fitness of each man summoned. Any man who had any physical defects such as bad hearing, was asked to stand aside. Never before in history has so much challenging of jurors taken place, and the extra men were summoned in addition to the 49 who had already been sworn in. Seventy men were called before a suitable jury was completed.

Until late yesterday afternoon the proceedings comprised the hearing of objections to indictments by the defending counsel, the empanelling of a jury and the preliminary address of the crown prosecutor. At 3:30 o'clock the first crown witness was called, but when the court adjourned at 5 o'clock until Wednesday morning, he was still being examined.

New True Bills. True bills were brought in by the grand jury in three new charges against the accused men, Gordon D. Clarke, M., and David S. M'Cutcheon. The new charges are of theft, and another true bill was found against Gordon D. M'Cutcheon for using documents containing false statements.

Already the case has been before the court for a year, adjournments having been made to allow the collecting of evidence in England and Great Falls, Montana, by commissions.

The defendants are represented by I. F. Hellmuth, K.C., H. H. Dewart, K.C., and A. J. Russell Snow, K.C., while N. F. Davidson, K.C., represents as junior counsel.

The first and second counts of the indictment charge them with conspiring with Gordon D. M'Cutcheon, Samuel M'Cutcheon and others to defraud the public out of large sums of money by inducing people in York County, Ontario, to purchase shares in the Canadian National Bank of Canada to subscribe for shares in a so-called syndicate dealing with real estate in Alberta, British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Ontario, and Quebec, U.S.A., and misrepresenting the character of the money invested.

The third count charges them with defrauding the Brookville Investors Limited, out of \$2250 and \$55,000 respectively. In his address to the jury Mr. Justice Middleton said that they would not be locked up as on a murder trial, but warned them not to discuss the trial with anybody outside or be influenced by newspaper reports. "If you did so," he said, "that might invalidate this trial and would be a serious affair in view of the very great cost it would involve."

Prosecutor's Address. At the resumption in the afternoon Crown Counsel N. F. Davidson, K. C., proceeded with his preliminary address. He referred to the effect that over-speculation had on the public and maintained that such a thing in connection with land was dangerous and bad—dangerous in regard to property exploited and money diverted from other useful channels.

He explained that the three accused, along with J. H. M'Cutcheon, a brother, and W. B. Spence, formed a real estate company in 1911 to deal with land in Calgary. This was at the time of the real estate boom in the west and David S. M'Cutcheon was made president of the concern, which had offices in Winnipeg, Calgary, Moose Jaw, Edmonton, Regina and London, England.

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business was to come from Calgary to some distant point saying they had a chance to purchase certain land at \$30,000, form a syndicate on that basis and later it is discovered that they had an option on the same property for perhaps \$20,000, thus making a clear profit of \$10,000.

In speaking of the alleged misrepresentation, he said, certain properties were sold, some being described as "high, dry and level," while in fact they were nothing of the sort. "Thus they obtained money by lying," he said.

Mr. Davidson then referred to the way in which the syndicate was promoted in England to purchase one-quarter of Mayfair sub-division in Edmonton. He pointed out that the financial status of the people was bad.

J. H. M'Cutcheon was the first witness called, but he obtained the protection of the court, as he was charged in an old indictment and also charged in a new theft indictment.

J. J. Buchanan was called, but could not be examined as the M'Cutcheon books were not in court.

W. D. Spence, accountant, and former city clerk of Calgary, stated that he gave up that position to join the M'Cutcheon brothers. "I became secretary-treasurer to the new firm of M'Cutcheon Brothers, Limited, about April, 1912, and was associated with them until May, 1914," he said.

Replying to questions regarding the assets of the company he said that the new firm took over the office, goods, and other things, necessary to carry on the business. He said that an \$80,000 allowance was made for this.

"How were the shares divided?" he was asked.

"I had one-eighth, J. H. M'Cutcheon had one-eighth and the other members had one-quarter each." Letters were

then read by Mr. Davidson to show that at times the company was in a bad financial condition, and Mr. Spence stated that most of the time the company was overdrawn, sometimes as much as \$15,000.

All three accused will be allowed on bail during the trial.

Referring to the board, Mr. Davidson said that the board had spent annually for every dollar was returned.

The Canadian Red Cross Society fifth annual meeting will be held in Convocation Hall tonight when the Duke and Duchess of Connaught will be present.

BUY ROUMANIAN GRAIN TO CHECKMATE ENEMY Allies Are Reported to Have Secured Eighty Thousand Cars.

BUCHAREST, Jan. 17.—An English syndicate today closed a deal for the purchase of 80,000 cars of Roumanian grain, paying \$50,000,000 in gold. The entire Roumanian grain surplus will be purchased by the allies, it is understood here, in conformity with the plan of "starving out" Germany.

Polly and Her Pals By Sterrell

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