

ENEMY HOPES TO CAUSE BIG HAVOC

Destruction of Million Tons of Shipping Monthly Counted Upon. ESTIMATE EXCESSIVE. Capt. Persius Throws Dash of Cold Water on Prediction.

Berlin, Feb. 1. Via London, Feb. 2.—Expectations in official circles here that as a result of the unrestricted submarine campaign the amount of tonnage sunk each month can be increased to about 1,000,000 tons are based on available figures showing the total amount of British tonnage which is estimated at 11,000,000 to 12,000,000 tons. This is believed here to be the gross registered tonnage upon which England can count for the import of necessary supplies, wheat, ores, munitions, etc., and for the export of coal to her allies.

Statistics are cited showing the actual, not theoretical, tonnage in British ports from July to September amounted to 6,750,000 tons, carried in British vessels. In addition, it is reported that the neutral and enemy vessels, other than British, entering British ports during that period brought the total tonnage up to approximately 10,750,000 tons.

It is asserted that grain shipments from Australia to England are making steadily increased demands upon the tonnage, which also must transport from Denmark 60 per cent. of England's butter supply, and from Holland virtually all of her margarine supply. Any considerable reduction of this tonnage, it is claimed, would limit England's supply of breadstuffs so critically as to force peace within a few months.

On the other hand, if the United States should be drawn into the war, the unofficial critics forecast a protracted campaign, and as a conclusion, Europe completely exhausted and America weakened, while Japan's military strength increased, virtually unimpeded and her financial resources vastly increased.

Dr. Beland, who is the principal in the case, writes a dash of cold water upon such reasons, which include some of his colleagues among the naval writers, by declaring that British military strength will be greatly increased during the war by the building of new bottoms. He also optimistically estimates of the prospective achievements of German submarines and means of counter-measures upon which, he asserts, the British admiralty undoubtedly is jealously working.

BARRED DR. BELAND FROM DYING WIFE. Letter Throws Fresh Light on Hun Brutality in Belgium.

Quebec, Feb. 2.—A letter received here today announces that the wife of Dr. H. S. Beland, of Beauce County, a Belgian noblewoman, died recently in Belgium and that her husband, Dr. Beland, a prisoner of the Germans in Berlin, was refused the supreme consolation of attending his wife at her deathbed.

Dr. Beland was with his wife in Belgium when the war broke out, but refused to leave for England, staying behind to attend to his wife. He was captured by the Germans in Antwerp before the fall of that city. Some time ago, he was imprisoned in the camp, and although successive appeals were made to high German authorities, he was always refused a permit to see his ailing wife or to die some days ago without seeing her husband.

York County and Suburbs

SHORT LOAN CREDITS FOR COUNTY FARMERS. Reeve Wells, King, Wants York Council to Approach Provincial Government.

Reeve Wells of King Township wants the scheme proposed to approach the legislature at the coming session with a view to getting the body favorably disposed toward government assistance to farmers who want short loan credits on farm products. He charged that the bank rate for short loans was too high, and that farmers were under great disadvantage, especially during the summer months in not being able to get an advance on their growing crops or for the purchase of live stock for feeding purposes.

WESTON SUPPORTING BELGIANS. There are at least eight Belgian families being supported by the donations of the Toronto Structural Steel employees. This money is being paid into a fund for the support of the Belgian people.

WEST TORONTO DAUGHTERS OF ENGLAND. Gave Entertainment and Supper to Thirty Returned Soldiers.

MANY HOUSES NEEDED. Owing to the large number employed at the new Canada Cycle Co.'s Works at a considerable number of new houses will have to be provided.

HAD STRAYED FAR. Fifteen-year-old Willie J. Lee, who strayed away from his home at Owen Sound, was found near the streets of West Toronto yesterday.

WAS THAWING PIPES. While A. Gracey, occupant of house 135 Main street, was thawing the water pipes by means of a torch the woodwork became ignited, causing \$50 damage to the kitchen.

MOTOR STRUCK CAR. A Lambton car, in charge of Motorist James Bailey, crashed into a Crosman car which was standing near the corner of Keele and Dundas streets, causing but slight damage.

HEALTHIEST ONE IN THE FAMILY

No Sign of Dropsy and Kidney Trouble Since Taking "Fruit-a-tives."



HATTIE WARREN. Port Robinson, Ont., July 3, 1915.

"We have used 'Fruit-a-tives' in our house for over three years, and have always found them a good medicine. Our little girl, Hattie, was troubled with kidney disease. The doctor said she was threatened with dropsy. Her limbs and body were all swollen and we began to think she could not live. Finally, we decided to try 'Fruit-a-tives.' She began to show improvement after we had given her a few tablets. Within a short time the swelling had all gone down and her flesh began to look more natural. Now she is the healthiest one in the family and has no signs of the old ailment. We can not say too much for 'Fruit-a-tives,' and would never be without them again."

NEW MARKET FOUR HUNDRED PEOPLE ATTEND BIG SMOKER. Newmarket War Auxiliary Holds Successful Function to Stimulate Enlistment.

Special to The Toronto World. Newmarket, Ont., Feb. 2.—Four hundred people attended a big smoking camp held in the town hall tonight in aid of the 28th (Central Postal Directory) Battalion, under the auspices of the Newmarket War Auxiliary.

CALEDONIA CALEDONIA RATEPAYERS PASS RESOLUTIONS. Ask City to Consider Laying Car Lines on Caledonia Ave.

RUNNYMEDE FORM NEW ASSOCIATION. At a largely-attended meeting of the men of Runnymede, held in the King George School last night, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

New Method of Reducing Fat. A news item from abroad informs us that the American navy is practicing a diet which is meeting with astonishing success. This system, which has made such a wonderful impression over there, must be the Marmolade Prescription method.

GOVERNMENT BUYS MORE ROSS RIFLES

Deliveries Delayed. At the outbreak of the war, he said the Ross Rifle Company, at request of the government, began to produce rifles for the Canadian contingent.

However, the government did not consider the French report as decisive and the second division were armed with the Ross rifle when they went to France. It was not until the publication of the Rogers letter and Sir Douglas Haig's report that it was definitely decided to re-arm all Canadian troops with the Lee-Enfield.

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TROOPS WILL PARADE THRU TORONTO TODAY. Four battalions of troops stationed at Exhibition Place will march a ten and a half mile route through Toronto today.

PARK SCHOOL OLD BOYS HOLD ANNUAL DINNER. "They're not to reason why, they're not to doubt, and they have done it. I can only say, God bless those boys, but I only hope that when we meet next year they will be none the wiser."

Glass of Hot Water Before Breakfast a Splendid Habit. Open slices of the system each morning and wash away the poisonous, stagnant matter.

Government Not to Take Control of Western Mines. Calgary, Feb. 2.—The Dominion Government authorities have abandoned any idea they may have entertained that they would take over the operation of the coal mines of the West.

L. BABAYAN'S A GREAT FEBRUARY SALE

Established in Canada 1896. Headquarters: 34 King St. East Cor. Victoria St. \$150,000 Worth of Genuine High-Grade ORIENTAL RUGS

Unusual conditions in the Orient and the great scarcity of Oriental Rugs make this event of greater importance this season than on any previous occasion. Our many years' experience and buying facilities in the Rug Trade have always enabled us to secure from time to time most exquisite and elegant specimens of high-grade Oriental Rugs at the lowest market prices.

Every day during this month we will offer special lots at most attractive prices. The following is only a partial list of our special offerings and further announcements of special reductions will appear in the daily papers.

Room Size Rugs and Carpet Suitable for Dining-Rooms and Living-Rooms or Drawing-Rooms. ANATOLIAN, champagne ground, small Persian design. Size 11.3 x 3.10. Sale price, \$150.00.

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