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British Troops, 47,000 Strong, Cross Channel to Meet Great German Attack

Allies' Leaders Learn of German Movement and Expect Most Violent Fighting Yet—Special Effort to Defeat the British

London, Feb. 4.—Within the last three days, the British War Office has sent about 47,000 fresh British troops across the channel to meet a new offensive movement which the Germans are expected to make all along the line in West Flanders and Northern France.

Fighting on Skis in Region of the Vosges

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Success Continues With the Allies—Russia Again Inflicts Losses on the Germans—Bombs do Effective Work—Przemysl Situation Desperate

Petrograd, Feb. 4.—Russian aviators on February 2 successfully dropped bombs on the mobilized reserves and trains of the Germans at three places about fifty miles southwest of Warsaw.

Weather Bulletin: Issued by the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stuart, director of meteorological service.

People Will Be Slow to Give This Credence: Report That Kitchener is going to Front to Command Infantry

Canadian Borrowings in New York: The province of Manitoba has arranged with Keese, Kincaid & Co. a local investment house.

SYNOD NEXT YEAR IN FREDERICTON

Motion to Postpone Meeting Until Fall Defeated

REPORTS ADOPTED

Seventeen Students From King's With the Soldiers—Recognition of Kingston Anniversary—Bishop Refers to Absence of Clergy From Sunday School Meeting

The next annual meeting of the Church of England Synod will be held in Fredericton, commencing on the first Tuesday in February, 1916.

When the morning session opened the report of the committee on the resignation of the president, Rev. Canon W. Powell, was read.

The order of business was resumed and Robert W. Hewson presented his report on the resignation of the president, Rev. Canon W. Powell.

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TREAT AS PIRATES THOSE WHO FAIL TO BREAK BELGIAN LINE

New York Herald Warns Germans That Attacks on Atlantic Liners and Hospital Ships Are Bringing Matters to Crisis

New York, Feb. 4.—The Herald this morning says editorially: "The Germans complain that there is against them a conspiracy of international law and American sentiment. They declare they are being outrageously treated.

"There may be some persons who have been inclined to maintain a neutral attitude, but what are these to think now when German submarines begin war by torpedoing on hospital ships and merchant vessels?

"Germans have boasted they will isolate England and starve her. Evidently they are doing their level best to do it.

"But such a step will be against Americans as well as Englishmen. The moment they begin to sink Atlantic liners, that moment there will come a revision of neutrality and application of an old rule. The new neutrality will place a nation that commits acts of outlawry in the category of the outlaw, and the old rule revived will treat as pirates those who murder under the name of war.

"Washington, Feb. 4.—Count Bernstorff, German ambassador, notified the state department today that American vessels should avoid the north and west coasts of France.

ARMORIES ALL BLOWN UP

City Alive With Sensational Rumors Which Had No Foundation—Local News of the Soldiers

If there was an armory of any substantial account left standing in the dominion today it was not because of the lack of efforts of whispering voices about St. John, for rumors had it that military buildings of this class in several Canadian cities from coast to coast had been blown up by Germans.

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Fail to Break Belgian Line

Fierce Attacks by The Germans Near Westende

Amsterdam, via London, Feb. 4.—A dispatch to the Telegraph says that the Belgian positions on the Yser near Westende again have been the scene of fierce attacks by the Germans.

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"The attacks of the allies have been made with a suddenness and a fierceness that astonished the Germans, who were able in several cases, only to beat a quick retreat after having rendered their guns useless for immediate service.

"Some attacks of the allies were so successful that they were able to capture some hundreds of horses stationed behind the German fighting lines."

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