

CANADA'S PLACE IN THE PRESENT WAR

J. Obed Smith Calls Canadians Chip Off Old Block, Fighting to Put End to Militarism.

London, Jan. 27.—"Canada's Place in the War" was the subject of a lantern lecture tonight before the Farrington Ward Civic Club by J. Obed Smith, Canadian superintendent of emigration. How near the war had come to Canada was emphasized by a parallel drawn between the east coast raid and the threatened invasion of the Pacific coast. This latter had necessitated special measures of defence on both coasts of the Dominion, but happily 4,000 miles of border line could be left undefended because of the friendly relations of Canada with the United States. Following a brief account of the Penlan Raid of 1858, Mr. Smith detailed what Canada was doing to help in the war in Europe by contributing troops, hospitals, foodstuffs and other aid.

"Canadians are chips off the old block," concluded Mr. Smith. "They are determined to see the war through to the bitter end. They are by no means anxious to fight for the sake of fighting, but they will welcome the day when militarism will, with such assistance as Canada can give, be only known in history as a horrible nightmare of the past."

OFFICIAL WAR REPORTS

AUSTRIA

Vienna, via London, Jan. 28.—The official statement issued here reports the re-capture of Uzok Pass in the Carpathians, which has been in Russian possession since January 1. The text of the statement follows:

"Yesterday evening (January 26), the Russians had been driven back in the Upper Ung Valley, from their position on both sides of Uzok Pass. This is one of the most important of the Carpathian passes, for the possession of which during the course of the war many violent engagements have been fought. Since January 1st it has been occupied by the Russians. It was strongly entrenched and stubbornly defended in several good positions, one behind the other, it is now again in our possession, after three days of fighting.

"To the northwest of Uzok Pass, and in the Latorza and Nagya Valleys, fighting continued.

"In West Galicia and Poland there have been no artillery duels of any importance, owing to the snow falls."

TURKEY

Constantinople, via London, Jan. 28 (2:17 a.m.)—The following official communication was issued today:

"In the Caucasus our troops again have advanced in the direction of Olti repelling the enemy, and capturing considerable war material."

"Don't wait until you are past three score and ten before beginning to make up for lost time. People are necessarily active when they slip up trouble. A man isn't necessarily polished because he casts reflections. Some men can't even head a procession at their own funeral."

SURPRISE PROMISED TO MARK KAISER'S BIRTHDAY FAILED TO MATERIALIZE

Contradictory Reports from Western War Theatre, But None Reveal Success Which Germans Planned in Honor of Emperor's Birthday—Russians Pushing Offensive Movement in East Prussia and Poland—Roumania Keeping Watch on Austro-German Forces in Transylvania.

London, Jan. 27.—The advance guard of the Turkish army, which is undertaking an invasion of Egypt, has reached the British outposts to the east of the Suez Canal, where the first skirmish of the war in this region took place yesterday.

The fight, according to the official report, apparently was a small affair, only one British officer being wounded; but despatches from Cairo say the invaders suffered severely from the machine guns of the British troops.

The despatches do not disclose the size of the Turkish force, but say that the engagement took place to the east of El Kantara, which is right on the Suez Canal, and is the terminus of the railway route from Rafadi, the border station between Egypt and Syria. The distance from Rafadi to El Kantara is 143 miles, and as the British had filled in all the wells along the caravan route, the invaders would have had to carry their own water. Even El Kantara is supplied by a pipe line from a fresh water stream which runs under the Suez Canal.

It is believed the fighting of the British forces was with the Arab or Kurdish horsemen employed by the Turks as scouts for the main army under Djemal Pasha, which consists of three army corps, and which is believed to have hardly had time to cross the desert. The British have a strong force with which to guard the canal.

Kaiser's Birthday Surprise Proved a Bubble

Nothing has been heard of the military venture which it was reported the Germans were preparing for Emperor William's birthday, unless their attacks on the French at Ypres, and on the British at La Bassée, and elsewhere, are such. All the official accounts agree that these attacks were very severe ones, but beyond this there is nothing in common between the accounts of the Allies and the Germans concerning the fighting.

The French communication tonight repeats the statement that the Germans were repulsed with heavy losses, while the Germans say the British were unable to recapture their former positions.

Similar contradictory statements are made regarding the severe fighting which is taking place near Craonne and Pertuis, in the Aronne, and in the vicinity of St. Mihiel. In all these cases both sides claim that the battles resulted in their favor.

Roumania Keeping An Eye on Austro-German Forces

There has been increasing liveliness along the eastern front. The Russians there are reported to be pushing their offensive both in East Prussia and in Poland to the north of the lower Vistula, while the Germans are said to have been repeating their attacks in Central Poland. In Galicia an Austro-German force attempted an offensive which, according to the Russians' accounts, did not meet with any success.

Roumania, which has just received a loan of \$25,000,000 through the Bank of England, is said to be watching closely the concentration of the Austro-German force in Transylvania, which might be used either against her or the Russians who are advancing through Bukovina.

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DOMINIONS MUST HAVE RECOGNITION

Part They are Playing in Empire's Crisis Make it Impossible to Belittle Claim to Share in State Affairs Which Concern Their Common Advantage.

London, Jan. 27.—The study of Imperial history by patriotic citizens of both sexes to be undertaken in the same spirit as voluntary military drill, was the novel scheme launched today by the League of the Empire.

The Right Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, in introducing the scheme, said that whenever the end of the war comes, and on whatever terms it comes, it is certain that the British Empire will stand out as a much more than before. Not only special studies, but teachers and learners of history, must revise and enlarge their whole attitude of mind in approaching the history of these kingdoms. The present war made it henceforth impossible to belittle their claim to have an equal share in those affairs of state which concern their common advantage.

These facts not only were observed by our big ships, but also were ascertained by a German torpedo boat which returned unharmed. This torpedo boat shot two torpedoes against a British battle cruiser which already was being overhauled, whereupon she capsized and sank.

This also was ascertained by a German dirigible, which was flying over the fighting zone. The dirigible observed on other British ships falling masts and funnels. It is certain, therefore, that further cruisers were seriously damaged.

Finally the British fleet withdrew from the German squadron, and beyond the reach of their guns. There was no question of pursuit of the German ships, because the high speed of the British vessels would have enabled them to catch up with and destroy the German cruisers."

ORDERS ARREST OF ALL ENGLISH WOMEN IN BELGIUM

London, Jan. 28.—General Von Bisping, the German Governor of Belgium, according to the Daily Telegraph, has ordered the arrest and transfer to Germany of all Englishmen in Belgium.

ROCKEFELLER TO MEET LABOR UNION OFFICERS

New York, Jan. 27.—John D. Rockefeller, Jr., who for three days has been a witness before the Federal Commission on Industrial Relations, has invited representatives of organized labor who aided in directing the Colorado strikes of last year, to meet him in his offices at 26 Broadway. The conference, it is expected will be held tomorrow.

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The light was good and the sea fairly smooth. The Germans could be seen miles away, and when the Lion fired the first shot from starboard, the fleets were about fifteen miles apart.

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SHORTAGE OF RUBBER TO U.S. FROM LONDON

1,000 Tons Going Forward this Week—Guarantee Product from Shipment will not go to England's Enemy.

London, Jan. 27.—Through the efforts of the Rubber Trade Association, of London, and the Rubber Club, of New York, arrangements have been perfected for a second shipment of 1,000 tons of rubber, to go forward this week to the British consul in New York. The consul will apportion the rubber among manufacturers who sign a guarantee that the product manufactured from this shipment will not be exported to Germany or Austria.

The Rubber Trade Association hopes that at least 1,000 tons of rubber will be shipped monthly under the same conditions, for the benefit of American manufacturers, other than the large concerns which gave heavy bonds enabling them to procure all the rubber desired from London. The association felt that some such action was necessary to prevent a very large American concern from obtaining entire control of the market.

London experts estimate that 1,000 tons of rubber monthly will be sufficient to keep the American factories in operation.

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WAR NOTE OF 100 MILLIONS

Sir Geo. E. Foster in Address in Montreal Forecasts Vote of that Sum by Parliament at Coming Session.

Montreal, Jan. 27.—Confirmation of the forecasts that the Canadian parliament will be asked to agree to a war vote of \$100,000,000 at the next session was given by Sir George E. Foster, Dominion Minister of Commerce, at the Canadian Club this afternoon. He was outlining what had been done by the Dominion to assist the mother country and mentioned that the people were being made to realize the terrific nature of the struggle by the \$50,000,000 already voted and would realize it still more when \$100,000,000 more was asked for next month.

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THE WORK OF THE RED CROSS AMONG THE WOUNDED AT THE FRONT.



WOUNDED BELGIAN SOLDIERS BEING CONVEYED TO HOSPITAL BY SOLDIERS AND BY RED CROSS NURSES.

An account, which well describes the above picture, was given by a writer in the course of an article describing the work among the wounded at the front. He wrote:—"If at all practicable, the wounded man is carried to the dressing station, or even to a field hospital in the vicinity, on the stretcher originally given to him where he fell. So far it is plain sailing, but the real test of the bearer company comes when they have taken all the wounded from the open field and return to search methodically all the ditches, woods, etc., to which the wounded may have crept. So much for the first line of ambulances. Meanwhile the second line has been kept well in the rear, but as soon as the wounded begin to arrive at the dressing station the medical officers in charge send an officer of orderlies with orders to bring up all, or as many as may be necessary, of the wagons in the dressing stations to remove the cases as speedily as possible to the nearest field hospital. Here the military nurses first appear on the scene, and all may be said to go well with the wounded from that time forward."

DIED.

BLACK—In this city, on 27th inst., at 114 Metcalf street, Jennie P. beloved wife of Carey B. Black, aged 36 years, leaving her husband, two daughters, mother, six brothers and four sisters to mourn. Funeral on Friday, the 29th inst., from her late residence. Service begins at 2 o'clock.

WHITE—In this city, on the 26th inst., Rose A., wife of Thadde White, leaving a husband and three sons to mourn. (Moncton papers please copy.) Funeral from her late residence, 178 Adelaide street, Thursday morning at 8.30 to St. Peter's Church for High Mass of Requiem at 9 o'clock. Friends invited to attend.

CREEB—At Hampton on Jan. 26, Mary E., beloved wife of Rev. Edwin H. Creed, aged fifty years. Funeral on Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her late residence, ROBINSON—At the St. John Infirmary on the 26th inst., Mrs. George Robinson, wife of George A. Robinson of Digby, N. S., after a short illness, leaving a husband, one son and three daughters. Funeral will take place Friday at Digby.

THE POLICE CO.

The hearing of the charges against Rupert Taylor, claiming to be a Boston, charged with carrying false checks, was resumed in court yesterday. Several were examined. Alexander whose endorsement on a check tried to obtain, testified that he posed as a traveller for a firm, and that he had dined with Manchester Robert Ltd., and Macaulay Bros. Ltd., who were well acquainted with the brother and tried to endorse a check. Fall of the endorsement he asked Rupert Taylor to cash for \$50 with Mr. Taylor's endorsement on it, but Mr. Slaney would not do it, but afterwards asked for about it. He next made a local clergyman through the medium of check system. Alexander pert Taylor, Mrs. Taylor, a clergyman testified against prisoner offered to make a check to the clergyman, but the prisoner had gone past the check he objected to and it was a murder was remanded.

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