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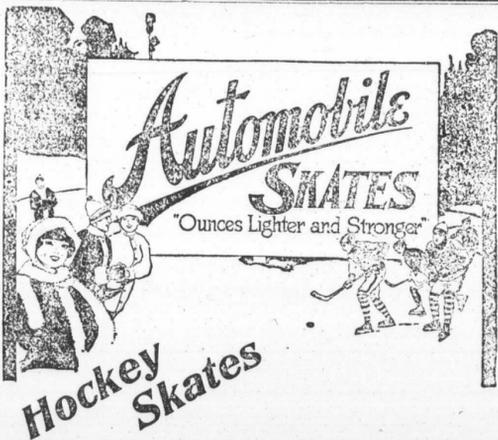
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TO RAID THE CAPITAL

Aeroplanes Reported Flying North Over Brockville.

Three Machines Said to Have Come From New York State, Across the St. Lawrence, Are Reported in Telegram to Premier Borden—Lights in Parliament Buildings Put Out.

OTTAWA, Feb. 15. — Sir Robert Borden, the Prime Minister, received a telegram from Brockville, Ont., last night, stating that three aeroplanes had passed over Brockville at 10 p.m., flying in the direction of Ottawa. The aeroplanes came from New York State, over the St. Lawrence river.

The news spread quickly among the members of Parliament, and a number of them made their way to the roof of the main building to watch for the reported visitors.

At 11.18 o'clock orders were issued to darken the Parliament buildings. Every light on every curtain drawn.

Orders have also been given by Col. Sherwood to darken Rideau Hall, the official residence of the Governor-General of Canada, and the Royal Mint.

Col. Percy Sherwood, chief of Dominion police, said last night that he had had a telephone message from the chief of police at Brockville, who informed him that three or four aeroplanes had crossed the St. Lawrence about ten o'clock from New York State, and had passed over Brockville, traveling in a northeasterly direction, presumably towards Ottawa.

He said that one of the aeroplanes, while crossing the St. Lawrence, had dropped some fire balls or light balls. He was not sure what they were exactly. However, he understood that they fell in the river.

A searchlight on the roof of one of the local theatres is scouring the sky watching for the invaders.

Sharpshooters have been told off to various points of vantage on Parliament Hill. All picked shots of the Dominion police are fully armed.

The greatest excitement prevails and the Premier and Cabinet Ministers are being informed from time to time as to the situation. The Duchess of Connaught is also being kept informed. The only light in Rideau Hall or the Government buildings are those in rooms which have heavy blinds and shutters.

Notices have been sent out to Smith's Falls, Perth, Kemptville, Merrickville and other towns in eastern Ontario to keep a sharp look out and report if any of the aeroplanes are seen. Later communication with Brockville says that the aeroplanes passed over Morrisburg, N.Y., on their way over the St. Lawrence.

A few months ago an order was issued by the Government and notices posted that any aeroplanes flying over Canadian territory without authority would be dealt with as enemies.

Passed Over Brockville.

BROCKVILLE, Feb. 15. — Four aeroplanes passed over this city at 9.15 last night and sped in the direction of Ottawa. The city was wildly excited by the sight of the aircraft, which seemed to burst into sight almost right overhead. The first machine was flying very rapidly and very high. Very little could be seen, but the unmistakable sounds of the whirling motor made the presence of the aircraft known. Five minutes later the second machine could be heard.

In crossing the river three fire balls were dropped. They were dropped at one minute intervals. In dropping they left a streak of light, from where they had been thrown out, and it was this that attracted the attention of the residents. Hundreds of feet the three lights fell. They dropped into the river and extinguished. It is not thought they were explosive, although, if they had been, they would not have exploded in the river. They were apparently dropped to show the aimers their direction.

A few minutes later another machine passed over the east end of the city. In another interval a machine came over the other end of the city.

U. S. Parcel Held Up.

LUXEMBURG, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, Feb. 15.—The German military authorities here have refused to transmit a package containing the American consular agent's accounts because it was sealed in an envelope addressed to the State Department at Washington. The package, under instructions from the commandant, was returned to the agent unopened.

Interference by the German authorities with United States official correspondence already has elicited a protest from the State Department at Washington.

Big Revenue Expected.

OTTAWA, Feb. 15.—The war tax of one cent on letters and postcards, when it comes into effect, will yield a very considerable revenue. During last fiscal year the number of letters mailed in Canada was 673,000,000 and postcards 64,000,000, a total of 737,000,000. If the same number were mailed in the coming year, they would pay in war taxes \$7,370,000. Even allowing for a substantial shrinkage in business and social letters, the revenue should be at least four or five million dollars.

Hamiltonians Share In Fortune.

HAMILTON, Feb. 15.—A number of people residing in Hamilton and district who are relatives of George Hoover, a former resident of this city, who died in Dodge City, Iowa, will share in the big fortune which he left Mr. Hoover left here thirty years ago and went to Dodge City, when that place was in its infancy. He struck it rich in the mines and left a fortune of \$500,000.

NEWS TOPICS OF WEEK

Important Events Which Have Occurred During the Week.

The Busy World's Happenings Carefully Compiled and Put Into Handy and Attractive Shape for the Readers of Our Paper—A Solid Hour's Enjoyment.

TUESDAY.

The big Allan liner Mongolian arrived at St. John, Nfld., shortly after midnight Monday with a large hole in her bow, caused by striking a rock outside the harbor.

The assembling department, one of the largest at the Singer sewing machine works at Elizabeth, N.J., has announced a return of all men on a full time schedule.

In reply to an interpellation in Parliament yesterday, Admiralty Lord Churchill stated that no court-martial would be held in connection with the sinking of the battleship Formidable.

The Russian ambassador at Rome has given notification to the Italian Government that the Austrian prisoners of Italian nationality whom Russia is ready to deliver to Italy number 3,227.

Percy Scott, a young man, has admitted at Kenora that he court-martialed Fred Lewis, a farmer, near Dryden. Seeing Lewis working in the bush he took deliberate aim and fired. He then robbed his victim of \$15.

Urging the Government to furnish seed grain to all deserving persons and not only to those in limited areas where the crops were affected, a delegation from the Regina Board of Trade waited on the Dominion Government yesterday.

WEDNESDAY.

Since Dec. 26 to date, 150 cases of typhoid fever have developed in Brockville and eight deaths have occurred.

The death took place suddenly yesterday morning of Mrs. Karn, 69, wife of D. W. Karn, the former organ manufacturer of Woodstock.

Carrie Davies, the girl charged with the murder of Charles A. Massey, collapsed yesterday when the charge was read to her in the woman's court in Toronto.

It was rumored yesterday that the Grand Trunk Railway will make Guelph a divisional point, and that a large number of men and their families would move there.

The family of Frank Mallhot, residing on Havelock street, Brockville, were overcome by coal gas escaping from a stove yesterday morning. The awakening of Miss Liberty, a sister of the Mrs. Mallhot, saved their lives.

There will be no strike of the Yorkshire coal miners, as had been feared. A conference attended by the mine owners and representatives of the men yesterday the owners conceded the men's demand for an advance in wages until the end of the war.

The German postal authorities have announced that the German wireless system may no longer be used for the transmission of private messages. This interdiction applies even to private messages intended for warships and other vessels at sea.

Charles Driscoll, a soldier, was sentenced to two years in Kingston penitentiary by Magistrate Denison in Toronto yesterday, on a charge of breaking into the premises of the Reliable Cleaning Co., King street, and with stealing a number of feathers, furs and clothing.

THURSDAY.

The London Daily News editorially suggests that Germany is inviting attack from the U. S.

Lt. Col. Thomas Scott, former collector of customs and a member of Parliament, died in Winnipeg yesterday.

If the New Brunswick Legislature supports the city commissioners, married women in St. John, who own property will be granted the vote in municipal elections.

The damage wrought by the storm which began at Colon, Panama, Tuesday, is estimated at nearly \$1,000,000. Over half of the eastern breakwater in course of construction has been destroyed.

Thirty employees of the Barber, Ellis Co., of Brantford, who struck yesterday because their names were placed on envelope boxes, agreed to the conditions of the firm and returned to work yesterday.

Mrs. C. A. Massey, wife of the late C. A. Massey, who was shot on his own doorstep on Monday night, arrived in Toronto Tuesday morning, come from Hartford, Conn., where she had gone on a visit.

Count von Bernstorff, German Ambassador to the U.S., yesterday gave W. J. Bryan an official copy of the German Admiralty's memorandum, explanatory of the proclamation establishing a war zone around the British Isles.

The death of Stanley Mansfield, well known as a sprinter and soccer football player throughout Canada, is reported from Belgium. He was resident in England at the time the war broke out and at once volunteered for active service.

FRIDAY.

Thirty-one soldiers and one commissioned officer, a lieutenant, were drowned on the Bay of Arzila, Morocco, when a bark with 100 soldiers on board stranded yesterday.

The London Daily Mail's Rotterdam correspondent says he learns that 35 German soldiers were killed in one of the Antwerp forts last Friday by a bomb dropped by British airmen.

The Dutch authorities will make an inquiry into the attempt of the German submarine U-2 to torpedo the steamer Laertes, as it is suggested that the attempt was made inside Dutch territorial waters.

The U. S. State Department was officially advised late yesterday that Gen. Carranza had ordered the Spanish Minister to Mexico to leave the country because of alleged refuge given to Angel De Caso, a Spanish subject.

The demands for coal yesterday in England exceeded any day since the outbreak of the war. As a conse-

quence there was a corresponding increase in freight rate, the rate to Genoa reaching the unprecedented figure of 39 shillings (\$9.75) per ton.

The final reply of the British Government to the note of the U. S. Government bearing on the detention by British authorities of American cargoes destined to neutral European ports was yesterday started by the British Foreign Office on its way to Washington.

Moving picture audiences throughout the province will no longer be thrilled with the stirring scenes of war. An order has been issued by the Ontario Board of Censors to the effect that all such films are prohibited during the continuance of European hostilities.

SATURDAY.

A hurricane, an earthquake and a tidal wave swept No Man's Island of the Samoan group, killing three persons, as reported two days ago.

Five French aviators dropped bombs yesterday on the German military aerodrome at Habsheim, an Alsatian town in the outskirts of Muhlhausen.

Three thousand Villa troops attacking Guadalajara were completely defeated by Carranza troops. The Villa forces lost nearly five hundred in killed and wounded.

The American Embassy was represented in London yesterday at the funeral of Edward Monroe, 106 years old, said to be the oldest veteran of the American Civil War.

Jacob Vogel, former president of the Citizens Bank of Fruitvale, and his wife, were found murdered yesterday in their home in Fruitvale, a suburb of Oakland, Cal.

The British steamer Morocco reached New York yesterday from Aberdeen, Scotland, after a voyage lasting thirty days, during which the steamer struggled for six days in vain to make a single mile over mountainous seas.

Arthur A. Lutton, deputy sheriff of St. Thomas, has been appointed by the Dominion Government to deputy collector of inland revenue at St. Thomas, succeeding W. H. Hinks, who has been removed to the London office.

MONDAY.

The Spanish Government has made application to the powers in order to obtain joint action to end what is termed to be a state of anarchy in Mexico.

Three Chinese are dead and three are in the hospital wounded in Vancouver, as a result of a Tong war which broke out early Saturday in the midst of the celebration of Chinese New Year.

Students of Toronto University in arts and medicine, registered for the session of 1914-15, who enter upon active service, are to be granted their year in full. Medical students in their fifth year will be granted their degrees.

Shipping circles in Havre now consider it practically certain that the British steamer Oriole was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine. There is equal certainty that the London Trader shared the fate of the Oriole.

The White Star Line steamer Arabi arrived in the River Mersey yesterday from New York. The voyage across the Atlantic was uneventful. The British flag was flown throughout the trip. No submarines were sighted.

Paris is still feeling the lack of fuel. There is said to be plenty of English coal, but it comes in great blocks and there is not enough help to break it up at Rouen, the coal port of Paris, so as to make it available for the retail trade.

Hon. Justice J. S. Archibald was sworn in Saturday as chief justice of the superior court in Montreal, in succession to Sir Charles Davidson, and F. S. MacLennan, K.C., was elevated to the vacancy on the bench left open by Justice Archibald's promotion.

'T'WILL BE WAR SESSION.

Moratorium Will Be Chief Item on Legislature's Program.

TORONTO, Feb. 15.—The Ontario Legislature will convene to-morrow for the first actual war session held in more than twenty-five years. This will be the first occasion for the calling of the local House under conditions vitally affecting all Canada, and it is generally understood that all important legislation proposed will be handed with the present conditions in mind.

A combination of circumstances this year will make the new session of unusual interest in its preliminary stages. In addition to a new representative of the crown officiating at the open, a new Speaker, Hon. Dr. Jamieson, will control the affairs of the House, and Premier Hearst, with his honors fresh upon him, will assume the guidance of the Government.

An adjournment will be made on Wednesday in honor of the memory of the late Premier, Sir James Whitney, and business will begin on Thursday.

The war promises to be reflected in all the deliberations of the members. One of the most important measures will be a Government bill providing for a moratorium. Its purpose will be to prevent the hasty foreclosure of mortgages and the unfair action of others under financial obligations to them.

Great interest centres in the Government bill on highways. Provision has been made for the expenditure of \$30,000,000 on Ontario roads, and arrangement will likely be made for the advancing of the first instalment. That the beginning of this project difficulties is taken in some quarters to argue for a material beginning.

Temperance legislation of a more or less radical nature is also expected. There will be a measure proposed for the purpose of restricting the drinking of intoxicants by uniformed soldiers. Increase of revenue will be sought in all likelihood by increasing the bar sales tax or raising license fees, and the Government may decide to place all licenses under one broad commission.

RUSSIANS HALT ENEMY

Grand Duke's Army Makes Swift Move in East Prussia.

Result of Rapid Operations Is to Prevent Recurrence of the Disaster at Tannenberg — Von Hindenburg Hopes By Weight of Numbers to Put East Prussia In Safety—Southern Campaign Satisfactory.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 15.—North the battle line now stretches over a front 80 miles wide, from the Nieman due east to Tilsit, where there is fighting on the frontier down to the southeast corner of East Prussia. This positional culmination of the well-masked and swiftly conducted advance across both ends of East Prussia, is in itself a bitter disappointment for the German. Unquestionably Von Hindenburg projected the last operations in the north in the belief that he could bring off another Tannenberg. The Russians recently got some distance across the old scene of the battles of the early days of the war. The army in the north was in a region of plains partly covered with bare woods. It reached the neighborhood of Insterburg and Tilsit, when a strong German column formed at Konigsburg, was shot forward at great speed into the gap between the Nieman and Insterburg. Concurrently with this advance Von Hindenburg sent another flying column across the northern edge of Poland behind a screen of cavalry, which has been in continuous fighting contact with the Russians in the region of Serpitz and Mlava for a fortnight. The southern German line has been pushed into East Prussia south of the region where the Russians had long been facing the German entrenched positions among the lakes.

The Russian left wing had time to draw into more open country and turned upon the Germans on the plain near Lyck, where they still hold back the Germans, and where they inflicted severe losses on them. The aggregate result of Von Hindenburg's major tactics is that he must bring still more men into the wide space of the comparatively flat country below the Nieman or submit to renewed pressure westward by the Russians, whose northern army is still practically intact. Its only appreciable loss fell on one of the divisions which had not time to link up with the main unit.

The ardent hope of the Kaiser that he could by this last rush campaign, place East Prussia in comparative security and turn a substantial proportion of his men who had been hitherto held there, to the western theatre of war for the great battle of the spring, must be abandoned.

The entire length of the frontier in East Prussia remains open for battles on a large scale. The first of them is already preparing in formidable dimensions. A thaw has set in among the rivers, courses of central Poland, but Mackensen is busy moving his columns across the muddy fields under Russian shell fire. The emptiness of his comrades' achievements in the north may impel him to make yet another onslaught on the Russian lines along the Rawka position.

In the Carpathians the situation continues satisfactory. The Russians have pressed on and behind the head waters of the San and have seized some fortified positions which the German engineers had prepared for the Austrians. German troops are still fighting desperately for the heights which control the Mukkacz road, and part of one of their divisions has entrenched itself only 40 paces from the head of the rock shelters held by the Russians. A thorough scrutiny of the situation has convinced observers that the reports from Bucharest of the Austro-German campaign against Serbia having already begun, are untrue. Nearly all the troops which might have been thrown against Serbia have had to be sent to meet the Russians in the Carpathians. Probably all the other spare units are needed for Bukovina.

NEW DREADNOUGHT READY.

Queen Elizabeth Passes Tests and Takes Crew of the Audacious.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—H. M. S. Queen Elizabeth, Britain's newest Dreadnought, passed her trials last week, and is now waiting at Portland with her full crew on board. She is a ship of 27,500 tons, 2,000 tons more than the Audacious, whose crew she has taken over. She carries eight fifteen-inch guns and 16 six-inch, with 12 anti-airship guns and four submerged torpedo tubes. She was built at Portsmouth, and was completed in October last. The Queen Elizabeth is equipped with Parsons turbines, and burns only oil. She is heavily armored against aerial attack and the estimated cost is \$12,000,000. The designer estimates she will make 25 knots.

Gas Explosion Caused Fire.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 15.—The four-story building of Aldrich, Hawley & Co., furniture dealers, was destroyed by fire and five other buildings in the retail district were damaged by flames which started late yesterday afternoon from an explosion, presumably of natural gas, in the furniture store. The damage exceeds \$100,000. Eugene Woodworth, who was passing the store when the explosion occurred, was hurled fifty feet and was taken to a hospital in a serious condition.

Capt. Gibbs Killed.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—Capt. Eustace Gibbs, aged 30, of the North Somerset Yeomanry, member of the financial house of Antony Gibbs & Sons, who had recently lived in New York, has been killed in action.

As a British reservist he was called to the colors last October. Six hours after he received the call he went on board the Lusitania, bound for England.