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ANOTHER GERMAN RAIDER BELIEVED AT LARGE IN ATLANTIC

Russian Retreat Has Ended; Russo-Roumanian Forces Assume Offensive

KITCHENER WILL REMAIN KITCHENER, NO MORE BERLIN

Premier Hearst Gives Assurance in This Effect—Martial Guards Still in the Town

Kitchener, Jan. 2.—As far as outward signs go, the trouble started last night, when after the announcement of the municipal election returns showing the complete triumph of the Citizens' League slate over that of the British League, a crowd of soldiers and civilians attacked the News-Record office, is at an end.

There were no disturbances to-day, and threats that the office of the News-Record would be attacked again to-night were not carried out.

All day a picket of soldiers from the 122nd Battalion of Galt guarded the newspaper office, the factory owned by Mayor-elect Gross and his residence, on Water street. The city is still under martial law as proclaimed last night and an official of the attorney-general's department is in the city endeavoring to investigate the trouble. Only one arrest has been made.

Will Not Change Name
Toronto, Jan. 2.—If the "Citizens' League," of Kitchener have any hope that their victory at the polls on New Year's Day will bring them appreciably nearer to a return of "Berlin" as the city's name, they are going to be disappointed.

Premier Hearst had this to say in comment upon the events at Kitchener.

"No suggestion about changing the name has come to us," he said.

"If it should come, well, I think it is not hard to guess what we would have to say."

Hon. J. B. Lucas, attorney-general, was quite discouraging to the "Berliners."

"I do not anticipate any request that the name be changed again," he said. "But I feel certain that the committee, which referred the matter to the vote of the people would not entertain any proposal to change it again."

RUSSIANS HAVE ENDED RETREAT

Battle With Important Consequences Is Now Believed to be Impending

ROUMANIANS And Russians Still Hold the Bridge Head at Braila

By Courier Leased Wire.

London, Jan. 2.—The Russian and German communications published today in reference to the fighting in Roumania, are interpreted here as showing that the long and stubborn retreat of the Russians to the Sereth line is virtually ended. Ekshany and Fokshany, positions mentioned in the Berlin report are two of the main points on the fifty miles of fortifications behind which the Russians are expected to make a stand.

It is assumed that the unnamed "prepared positions" mentioned in the Russian communique are those along the Sereth and it is believed that a big battle which must have important consequences is impending. The flank attack on the Moldavian frontier continues obstinately, but there is nothing to elucidate the confusing reports as to the results contained in the respective communications.

The Russian and Roumanian forces still hold Braila, maintaining their grip on the bridgehead which defends their last foothold in Wallachia. The corresponding bridgehead at Matchin-Dobruja, has, however, been further reduced by successful German attacks.

The will of John P. Becker, of Peoria, Ill., the farmer who, with his wife, was recently murdered, leaves a fortune in excess of \$400,000 to eight sons and daughters. Fifty-one grandchildren also share in the fortune.

Weather Bulletin
Toronto, Jan. 3.—A low pressure area, which was west of the Mississippi yesterday is now passing across the Great Lakes. The weather is mild in western Ontario and moderately cold in all other parts of the Dominion.

Forecasts
Cloudy with light rain or snow.
Thursday—Fair and a little colder.

"Zimmie"

ARTILLERY IS ACTIVE

French Patrols on Somme Front Also Take Many Prisoners

By Courier Leased Wire.
Paris, Jan. 2.—The artillery was rather active north and south of the Somme. In the region of Rouvroy and Verdun, around Dead Man Hill and Bezonvaux and also in the Champagne," says to-day's communication from the war office. "Our patrols were very active and brought in prisoners."

BRITAIN SENDS NORWAY NO COAL

Exportation Forbidden Because of the Latter's Failure to Fulfill Obligations

By Courier Leased Wire.
London, Jan. 2.—12.55 p.m.—Norwegian newspapers, as quoted in an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen say the British government has prohibited the exportation of coal to Norway because of the unsatisfactory manner in which certain obligations were fulfilled by Norway.

196 ALLIED WARSHIPS SUNK

During Course of the War, Is the Claim of Germany

Berlin, Jan. 2.—via Sayville.—"Including the French battleship Gaulois sunk by a German submarine," says an Overseas News Agency statement today, "196 hostile warships, including torpedo boats and submarines, of a total tonnage of 759,430, have been sunk since the beginning of the war."
"Of these 125 vessels were British of a total of 565,200 tons."
"The total losses of Entente warships exceed the total tonnage of the warships of France at the beginning of the war."
"Auxiliary cruisers and ships of special type that have been lost are not included in the figures given."
At Youngstown, Ohio, Henry Fox was shot and killed in a night melee and Joseph Lawlor is in the hospital with three bullet wounds.

London Hopes Wilson Will Not Still Persist

Trusted That Reply of the Entente to President's Note Will Dissuade Him—Sidelights on the Peace Question

Amsterdam, Jan. 3.—via London.—According to the German newspapers the reply of the Entente Allies to the peace proposal of the Central Powers and their Allies was presented to the foreign office in Berlin on Monday by the Swiss Minister of Germany.

London, Jan. 3.—Commenting on Washington despatches to the effect that President Wilson is determined to press his efforts to bring about peace, the Westminster Gazette says:

"The notion that the American president is a purely academic person who launches literary essays on the world without preparation before hand and consideration of the next step if probable consequences follow, is a dangerous delusion which may seriously lead us astray if not abandoned. For good or evil we have to realize the President's position of great power and if he has the American people behind him we are bound to treat him as a very serious factor at this stage of the war. If, as suggested, he is taking steps to get his action ratified by resolution of the Senate, we should have to take that as a definite intimation that he means to go on in spite of our reply."

This newspaper expresses hope that the reply of the Entente to the President's peace note will be couched in terms which will bring to the side of the Entente a good many Americans who believe there is nothing to choose between the two sets of belligerents.

Berlin Replies.
London, Jan. 3.—The German government replied to the Danish, Swedish and Norwegian notes of December 29, on January 1, according to an Amsterdam despatch to Reuters. The reply expressed the fullest appreciation of the motives of the governments and refers to the Scandinavian powers to the German note of December 12 and the reply to President Wilson. It concludes with the remark:
"It depends upon the reply of the Entente, whether the attempt to give back to the world the blessings of peace will be crowned with success."
Berlin, Jan. 2.—Via London, Jan. 2.—United States Ambassador Gerard took an advantage of a New Year's call yesterday to discuss the Entente message to Germany's proposal with Chancellor von Bethmann Holweg. The ambassador is believed to have learned what possibility there is of German acting favorably on a renewed request for conditions of peace should the United States make such a move.
Berlin, Jan. 2.—Via London, Jan. 3.—The reply of the Entente to the peace proposals of the Central Powers is discussed at great length this morning by the newspapers, which base their remarks on the unofficial press version of the note, as received here from French sources. The newspapers are unanimous in saying the answer of the Entente is only what was to be expected in view of the utterances of statesmen of the hostile nations.
The opinion is expressed that the note was addressed less to the Central Powers than to the people of the Entente countries and to neutral states, hence the strong declamatory language calculated according to the German opinion, further to inflame passions against the Teutonic Allies. In particular, it is declared the section devoted to Belgium is intended expressly for the American people.
In general the answer is regarded as the stiffest and most brusque possible and couched in insulting and calumniating terms never before seen in any international document. All the newspapers agree that the only answer the Central Powers can give is with the sword, that the war must be continued until the Allies themselves sue for peace.

Only a few newspapers see even a faint hope that peace still may be attained within a reasonable time. Curiously enough the super-nationalist pan-German Taegliche Rundschau maintains a feeble show of optimism, saying:
"The thought of peace is not quenched by this rejection, but even this utterance is qualified by the explanation that peace can come only through failure of the Entente plans of conquest and the crushing of Germany."
The Tageblatt also believes the idea of peace retains its vitality, saying:
"Even though the attempt be made to bury it under a thousand arguments, peace will continue to rise up mightier than ever after every failure to achieve expected victory."
The Socialist newspaper Vorkuerts which has been the leading peace organ of Germany for many months, still holds that the policy of attempting to find new means of terminating the war must continue, but that the defense of the country must go on without flagging.



The Crown Prince: "Papa, do you think we can get away with it?"

ANOTHER GERMAN RAIDER IS BELIEVED TO BE AT LARGE

Description Sent Out by Passenger Captains, Six Ships are Long Overdue

New York, Jan. 2.—In shipping circles to-night it was stated that another Teuton raider has slipped through the allied patrol, and is at large on the high seas. This belief is confirmed in renewed wireless warnings issued to all ships at sea. Capt. Jan Baron, commanding the Nieuw Amsterdam, of the Holland-American Line, told of receiving daily warnings from Cape Race, which gave a detailed description of the raider.

A Description
Capt. Baron said that the warning stated that the raider was 450 feet long and 45 feet beam and capable of great speed. She has one funnel and two masts, and is equipped with long range guns and torpedo tubes. Capt. Baron said that he had not seen the raider, although a sharp lookout was kept for her all the way across.

The fact that six ships belonging to the allies are now long overdue, are now believed to have been sunk by this "invisible" flying Dutchman, which all captains deny having seen.
The largest of the merchantmen not to be heard from is the White Star liner, Georgic, of 8,000 tons. She sailed with a cargo of war supplies valued between \$750,000 to a million dollars, from Philadelphia on December 3, and should have arrived at Liverpool 15 days later. She is one of the largest cargo freighters afloat. Officials of the White Star Line denied having received any word from her, and although 18 days overdue, said that they thought her arrival had been suppressed by the British Admiralty for strategic reasons. If she had been sunk by a raider, they argue, the Germans would have lost no time in making the fact public.

FIGHTING IS HEAVY

Russo-Roumanian Forces In Moldavia Launch a Strong Offensive

By Courier Leased Wire.
Berlin, Jan. 3.—Via Sayville.—Artillery activity of a lively sort in the Meuse sector of the Franco-Belgian front, and strong attacks by the Russo-Roumanian forces on the Moldavian front are reported in today's army headquarters' statement.

HESITATION ON PART OF GREECE

Government Deliberates Before Complying With Demands of Entente

By Courier Leased Wire.
London, Jan. 3.—Reuter's Athens correspondent cables the following semi-official note, referring to the recent demands of the Entente Allies on the Greek Government for reparations for the losses suffered as a result of the recent clash of the Greek Government and Entente troops at Athens.
The government is considering the latest note presented by the Allied Powers. Despite its desire to give another proof of its sincerity towards the entente, certain currents of public opinion make its task difficult. The government appears to wish to proceed rapidly with its decisions regarding the note and to endeavour to combine the safeguarding of the vital interests of the country with maintenance of the traditional friendship between Greece and the Entente and hopes the latter will assist its efforts.

GERMAN PRINCE KILLED

By Courier Leased Wire.
Amsterdam, Jan. 2, via London.—Berlin newspapers today, announce the death of Prince Friedrich Zu Fierstenberg, the head of the battle front in Roumania.
Prince Friedrich Zu Fierstenberg was born at Donaueschingen in Baden, April 7, 1890. He was the third son of Prince Maximilian Egon Zu Fierstenberg, the head of the Fierstenberg house, which is one of the most prominent in Germany.

HUNNISH HYPOCRISY

Amsterdam, Jan. 3, via London.—New Year's greetings of Cardinal Von Hartmann, archbishop of Cologne, according to Berlin newspapers, said:
"May God's grace and goodness be granted to our dear fatherland in the future, and give us strength at this grave time to overcome victoriously our heavy affliction."
Cleveland, Pa., has three smallpox cases.

JAPAN ARMS HER MERCHANT SHIPS

Evidently as Precaution Against Submarine Operations in Pacific

VESSELS Armed for Defence Alone May Still Pass Through Panama Canal

Washington, Jan. 3.—Japan, through the embassy here, notified the state department yesterday of her intention to arm her merchant-ships defensively and requested information as to whether any special rules had been made by the United States government for passage of ships so armed through the Panama canal.

This was the first official information that Japan intended such action and was interpreted in some quarters as indicative of fear of German submarine operations on a wider scale than so far attempted. Japan has a large tonnage passing through the canal and has suffered seriously from German undersea activities, particularly in the Mediterranean. While no submarines have appeared in the Pacific so far British naval experts have said that information in the hands of the U.S. in its raid off the New England coast, indicated that it is quite possible that they will operate there later.

There are no regulations imposing special restrictions upon vessels armed purely for defensive purposes.

SITUATION IS GRAVE IN MEXICO

Carranza Still Insists Upon Withdrawal of American Forces

By Courier Leased Wire.
Queretaro, Mexico, Jan. 3.—Felix M. Palavicini, former secretary of public instruction, who often has spoken for General Carranza, declared before the Constitutional Assembly late to-night that the international situation was grave.
General Carranza, said the speaker, has refused to resume conferences with the United States representatives until the American troops were withdrawn from Mexico unconditionally, and he declared that the assembly must rush the work on the constitution and proclaim the rights of the people, while General Carranza and the constitutional forces were battling against a dangerous enemy to save the national honor and integrity.

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