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Italy Agrees That She Shall Not Make A Separate Peace

Adherence Given to Allies' Compact—Cadorna Unable to Go to Conference in France—More British Steamships Sunk

Milan, Dec. 2.—Austria has notified Roumania that she considers the closing of the Danube against the passage of Austrian armed vessels below the Rumanian frontier an act of hostility. This news comes in a Bucharest despatch to the Corriere della Sera.

Paris, Dec. 2.—Italy gave her adherence on Monday to the London agreement of the other Entente Allies, not to conclude a separate peace, says a Milan despatch to the Matin.

Genoa, Dec. 2.—The Italian general staff, who were to have visited France for a conference with the French and British command-in-chiefs, has been postponed.

London, Dec. 2.—Two more British steamers, the Colenso, 2582 tons, and Orange Prince, 2216 tons, have been sunk, presumably by German submarines, in the Mediterranean.

WORTHCLIFFE DEFENDS HIMSELF

New York, Dec. 2.—A London cable to the Tribune says:—The following statement was made especially for the Tribune by Lord Northcliffe, with reference to Tuesday's debate in the House of Commons.

Montreal Makes Big Cut In Salaries

11 Employees Reduced By One Quarter—Had To Make Up Deficit of \$2,666,759

Montreal, Dec. 2.—After the 1916 budget was adopted last night by the board of control, Mayor Martin announced that a temporary reduction of 25 per cent. in the salaries of all permanent employees of the corporation had been decided on.

News of Maritime Province Men In the War

Brothers Meet at Front.

Mrs. A. C. Casey, of Amherst, received recently a very interesting letter from Frank Mills of the 14th Battalion, who has been serving in France for some months.

Twenty-one years' service in the Imperial Army—16 years with the Grenadier Guards and five years with the Irish Guards—is the record of Sydney Hudson, of Juniper, Brook, Carleton county, who enlisted in Frederick with the 14th Battalion.

Leut. Frank P. Flett, of Chatham, who has been recruiting in this province for the tunnelling company being mobilized in Upper Canada states that five experienced miners from Minto district enlisted and left for Penobscot to join this unit.

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TWO BARNS BURNED

Loss of About \$1,000 at Lake George—Fredericton Has Inch of Snow

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 2.—Two barns at Lake George, belonging to Claude Lawson, were destroyed by fire yesterday. Mr. Lawson was away at the time, but neighbors did what they could to save the adjoining buildings.

Fredericton is having its first real winter today. Last night the weather turned quite cold, and an inch of snow fell. The river is still open.

Lady friends of Miss Sadie Wyatt gave her a linen shower last night.

SOME MAY NOT BE ABLE TO GO WITH FORD

New York, Dec. 2.—A Washington despatch to the Times says that the passport problem is likely to prove a stumbling block for numerous members of the Henry Ford peace ship expedition.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 2.—Faculties of the University of Pittsburg and the Carnegie Institute of Technology yesterday refused to sanction officially the proposed peace trip of Henry Ford.

FOUR OF ITS MEMBERS HAVE GIVEN LIFE IN WAR

It has been remarked that in the death of Lieutenant Charles M. Lawson of the 14th Battalion, the four members who have died for their country. This is a remarkable showing for an organization with a comparatively small membership.

COLONEL DID NOT COME FROM HALIFAX; MATTER OF WINTER QUARTERS UNSETTLED

He is Expected Tomorrow—Capt. Sprenger Has Been Appointed Adjutant of the 115th—Recruiting

Lieutenant-Colonel E. C. Dean of Halifax, who was expected to arrive in St. John today to make further arrangements for winter quarters for troops here, has not yet reached the city, but is expected tomorrow.

The 115th. Definite word as to the mobilization and quartering of the 115th Battalion is still being awaited. The men thus far assigned are still on subsistence allowance.

Confirmation of the appointment of Capt. A. H. Sprenger, 22 DeMonts street, West End, as adjutant of the 115th Battalion, was today received by Col. Wedderburn, O. C. The announcement will be heard with pleasure by friends of Capt. Sprenger, who recognize his capability to all the important duties of the position.

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DEATH TOLL OF WAR

Premier's Statement of British Losses—Austria Suffers Heavily in Fight With Italy

London, Dec. 2.—The grand total of British military and naval losses, according to a reply by Premier Asquith in the House of Commons, has reached 310,230. The casualties for October were 74,287 and those for November 46,410. The losses are distributed as follows:

Table with columns: Killed, Wounded, Missing, Other ranks, Grand total. Rows: France, Mediterranean, Other Theatres, Navy (Marine), Grand total.

The totals given as killed include those who died from wounds or other causes, as well as the officers and men killed outright in battle.

Milan, Dec. 2.—The Gazette del Popolo asserts that Austrian prisoners now interned in Italy number 46,000. Fifteen thousand of these were taken during the present offensive. It is estimated that Austria has lost in the Italian theatre 200,000 men, 60,000 of whom were killed.

DIGBY WELCOMES RETURNED SOLDIER

Digby, N. S., Dec. 2.—Sapper Woodford, of the 14th Battalion, who arrived here yesterday from St. John, was among those wounded in the First Canadian Contingent. More than two-thirds of Digby's population was at the government pier to welcome him, and the mayor, and council and his parents, in decorated auto, escorted him to his home.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis, Dec. 2.—Low pressure from the west again, is spreading, milder weather. In Ontario light falls of snow or sleet have fairly general.

Maritime—Fresh west to south wind, fair today. Light local snow or rain on Friday.

New England Forecasts—Snow during this afternoon, generally fair to night and Friday, not much change in temperature, light to moderate west winds.

GETTING NEAR TO CLASH OF AUSTRIA AND ROUMANIA

Former Objects to Denial of Armed Vessels Passing Below Roumania's Danube Frontier—Italian Troops Soon to Albania

New York, Dec. 2.—A London cable to the Herald says:—Only Austria remains among the Teutonic allies an active belligerent in the Balkan area.

Paris, Dec. 2.—Telegraphing from Athens, under date of December 1, the correspondent of the Havas News Agency says:—The Bulgarians have not yet occupied Monastir. The Serbian army has evacuated the city, leaving only a few officers and a small detachment of troops to preserve order.

Paris, Dec. 2.—Several battalions of Bulgarians have just been transported to the Gallipoli peninsula to hasten the Turkish, says the Corriere della Sera's Bucharest correspondent.

EXPLOSION IN ONE MORE PLANT WHICH IS MAKING SUPPLIES FOR THE ALLIES

Medford, Wis., Dec. 2.—Fire, believed to have been caused by an explosion, destroyed the plant of the French Battery and Carbon Company last night, causing a loss of \$100,000.

NOVEMBER REPORTS TELL OF THE LOSS OF 53 STEAMSHIPS

London, Dec. 2.—Reports received by the board of trade during November tell of the sinking of fifty-three British steamers, with a total net tonnage of 490,000 tons.

Ontario's Plans for Returned Soldiers

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 2.—The soldiers' aid committee, appointed by the Ontario government yesterday took up questions affecting the personal liberty of the returned disabled soldiers, and the rate of pay for soldiers, invalided home.

PARLIAMENT ON JANUARY 12 IS THE PROBABILITY

Ottawa, Dec. 2.—Parliament will probably meet on January 12, though possibly it may be a week later.

INLAND REVENUE INCREASE

For the November month, 1914, 1915. Spirits \$15,394.98 \$15,469.78. Tobacco \$17.50 \$18.50. Cigars 684.00 750.00. Bonded Mfrs. 391.84 338.01. Other Receipts 2,184.11 2,477.68.

GEORGE A. BRIGGS

The death of George A. Briggs occurred this morning at his home, 35 Clarence street. He had been in failing health for about a year.

MRS. JEREMIAH O'LEARY

Mrs. Helen O'Leary, widow of Jeremiah O'Leary, died this morning after a lengthy illness. She was in the eighty-second year of her age, and is survived by three sons, John, Timothy and Henry, all of this city.

BURIED TODAY

The funeral of Mrs. Samuel E. Chamberlain took place this afternoon from her late residence, Hawthorne avenue. J. D. McPherson officiated at burial services in the cemetery.

Berlin Newspaper Favors Putting Peace Question

Berlin, Dec. 2.—The Berliner Tageblatt is the first newspaper to come out in approval of the plan of the Social Democrats to ask Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg under what conditions he is prepared to begin peace negotiations.

Both as what the Entente newspapers might write. "The German people should not be denied the right, in view of the unusual favorable military situation, to question the responsible leader on the internal policy regarding his intentions and the goal."