

WHAT GERMAN NEWSPAPER SAYS OF AMERICAN NOTE

German Warships Will Not Expose Themselves to Destruction Through Consideration for Neutrals

Berlin, Feb. 15.—The Vossische Zeitung says that while the searching of ships for contraband previously has been acknowledged procedure, entry of submarine denotes a new factor in naval warfare. The newspaper says the submarine runs a risk against armed merchantmen. Britain has both armed merchant ships and advises them to carry false flags. Shall Germany, in face of such treacherous measures, throw down her arms because an American ship might possibly be wrongly torpedoed. The American Note demands nothing else.

The Hamburger Nachrichten discussing the Note says, that nobody can demand that German warships expose themselves to destruction through consideration for neutrals. American merchantmen, the paper continues, retain their right to sail in the specified waters or to avoid them. If Washington assumed that Admiralty's declaration will not be executed unsparsingly, it fundamentally deceives itself.

The threatnings sent out in American Note are quite unimpressive after delivering weapons to our enemies and making no protest against Great Britain's insolence. The United States was itself devoid of any good will whatever towards us. Politely termed expressions do not counterbalance too evident partizanship for our enemies. The Frankfurter Zeitung says President Wilson's note to Britain does not deserve the name of a protest. It is feeble like the President's entire policy so far towards Britain. Washington's receipt for its relations with the Britois was was his fur, but don't we him. Washington, however, appears to have another receipt for Germany if certain people in America do not yet understand that we are fighting for existence and that we cannot be guided by what Mr. Bryan, whose socialism and sympathies are in the British army, considers good form. After today the sea around Great Britain and Ireland will be for German warships including submarine war zone and every hostile merchant vessel encountered will be destroyed.

THE RUSSIANS CAPTURE BORCHA

London, Feb. 15.—A despatch to the Times from Petrograd says Bourz Gazette Tiflis correspondent declares that the capture by Russians of Borcha, a village beyond the River Sherokh, Asia Minor, which the enemy had converted into an almost impregnable fortress, opens the road to the Zanzil copper smelting works, which the Turks seized at the beginning of the war and were holding for German engineers and workmen to take possession of. It is valuable property upon which the Germans had cast long eyes before the war.

Rev. Fr. Cox, S.J., Will Give Lectures

During his stay here, the Rev. Fr. Cox, S.J., will give several lectures though it has not yet been made known which platform the Rev. gentleman will occupy.

The large experience that is behind Fr. Cox as a preacher and lecturer, will give his discourses to our people a value all their own.

Volunteers in Trouble

Leaving having been granted to our Volunteers yesterday, several of them set out to celebrate the day, with the result that some little pleasantry took place.

The police, however, strongly objected to any "heroics" on our streets, and for a while some general "scraps" were indulged in.

Constable Pitcher, of the West End Station who thought to bring cannonade to bear on the enemy was badly treated, and the white flag had to be raised in self-protection.

Pritchard was badly cut about the face, and it is reported that one or two of the "defenders of home and Empire" will be dismissed from the ranks.

Coban in the Ice

News was received here yesterday that the S.S. Coban had met with heavy ice off Table Head, Cape Breton, and it was found necessary to get the services of a tug to remove her.

Dominion Nearing Destination

The Dominion, which left here some nine days ago with our Volunteers on board was expected to reach her destination this a.m.

Times Says American Note Courteous And Friendly

London, Feb. 15.—Commenting on the shipping sent to the Governments at Berlin and London, the "Times" says the tone of both is most courteous and friendly.

Not the most captious of German critics can detect the slightest want of consideration or good breeding in the remarks addressed to Berlin, but if the protest against German threats is measured and amicable, it is also very explicit, very grave and very firm.

In regard to the Note to Britain, we shall certainly do all that is judged consistent without military safety to meet American wish and assuage their uneasiness for American ships and lives. We would point out, however, that the danger Washington apprehends from British use of the American flag could only arise from neglect of German warships to observe the elementary rules, that visit and search must precede an attack, except where an effective blockade is enforced. The Times declines to believe that the Germans will be able to interfere with the shipping to any very serious extent, and is confident that the German blockade will prove futile even if he measures which the British Admiralty have in hand, do not immediately and finally bring it to an immediate and humiliating end.

Battleship Audacious Afloat Once More

New York, Feb. 13.—The Audacious, Britain's finest and most powerful battleship, will rejoin the grand fleet next week. She will leave the United States on Monday, without a flaw in her hull or armament. Such was the information contained in advices received yesterday in New York by the Herald.

NO DIFFICULTY IN SATISFACTORY

Reply to American Note Say London Papers on Use of American Flag by British Merchantmen

London, Feb. 14.—That the British Government will have no difficulty in giving a satisfactory reply to the American note on the use of the American flag by British merchantmen, is the contention this afternoon of the papers in London, which virtually unite in expressing the opinion that a neutral flag will be used by British vessels only as an intimation to German warships that there are neutral passengers and goods aboard.

The Evening Standard, basing its judgment on the tenor of the American note, says: "It is plain in which direction America looks for the possibility of trouble. If Germany does not now understand the meaning of the note, and realize the false position into which she has been led by the arrogance of the official minds of Berlin, she must abide by the issue."

International Situation Discussed By Socialists

Delegates Decided No Hope For Peace Could be Entertained Until German Militarism Was Crushed

London, Feb. 15.—Representative Socialists of Allied countries met here yesterday under the Presidency of James Kier Hardie, socialist Member of Parliament for Merthyr Tydfil to discuss the international situation. The subject of peace was not discussed as the delegates had decided that no hope for peace could be entertained until German militarism was crushed. Resolutions were passed demanding that Belgium shall be liberated and compensated, that the question of Poland shall be settled in accordance with the wishes of the Polish people, either in the sense of autonomy in the midst of another State, or in that of complete independence, and that from Alsace Lorraine to the Balkans those populations that have been annexed by force shall receive right, freely dispose of themselves.

Germans Evacuated Lodz, Poland

Paris, Feb. 15.—A Petrograd despatch to the "Herald," reiterates the report that the Germans have evacuated Lodz, Poland, it is also reported that they are preparing to abandon Lodz.

TURKISH FORCE WIPED OUT ON THE GULF OF SUEZ

London, Feb. 15.—A force of two hundred Turks and Arabs under German officers who were preparing to attack the British station of Tor at the entrance to the Gulf of Suez were attacked and either killed or taken prisoners on Friday by British forces, according to British official report from Cairo. The official report states that in January fifty Turks and two German officers approached Tor believing that the place was undefended. Finding Tor garrisoned by 200 Egyptian soldiers they sent for reinforcements. These arrived and the force now numbering little over 200 occupied a village to north of Tor. On their arrival becoming known small detachment British troops landed in their rear and advancing over the hills, made a surprise attack upon their position at dawn on Friday. The official report concludes as follows:—"The enemy's forces were annihilated and over 100 prisoners were taken, among them a Turkish major. Over sixty of their dead were found on the field and it is believed that none got away. Twenty camels were captured and the enemy's camp and their stores were destroyed. Our losses were one Gurkha killed and one wounded."

VICTORY Flour, Fresh and Sweet while the loaf lasts.—Feb 12

Parcels to Volunteer Boys at Half Price

Hundreds of Stayers at Home Are Sending them Little Present or Reminder Daily

We have been asked to suggest to the P.M.G. a reduction in the parcel post office tariff, at least during the war.

Hundreds of us stayers at home are sending "the boys" some little present or reminder daily, and it would be but only right to expect the Post Office to give a little, cheaper rate than formerly.

We understand of course that half the revenue from the Parcel Post goes to the Old Country, but we think that some arrangement could be arrived at, and the Parcel Post rate to Salisbury and Inverness somewhat reduced.

Letters, cards and papers are forwarded free, a cheaper rate ought to then be looked for on parcels going to our boys. Perhaps the P.M.G. will give the matter a consideration. 'Tis worth it.

Regular Meeting Of T.A. & B. Society

The regular monthly meeting of the T.A. & B. Society was held in their rooms on Sunday last.

Six new members joined the staff, bringing the "roll" of the Society up to a very large figure. Rev. Fr. Pippy who was present addressed the meeting at some length.

Several letters were read from members now with the Newfoundland Regiment at Fort George, and quite a pleasant discussion took place relative to the correspondence.

On Wednesday, Feb. 17th, a Magic Lantern Exhibition will be shown in Wesley Church Basement by James Vey, Esq., assisted by Rev. H. Royle. Candy for sale. Doors open at 7.15 p.m. Programme at 8 p.m. Adults 10 cents; Children 5 cents. Come ye in your hundreds and pay on the door.—Feb 16, 21

SA-YO Mint Jujubes. Smokers and Public Speakers find them invaluable. On sale everywhere. Soldiers endorse them as more beneficial than chewing gum. They keep the mouth moist and sweet.

VICTORY Flour, Fresh and Sweet while the loaf lasts.—Feb 12

If you want to free your roof absolutely from leaks and repair bills, then use Elastic Cement Paint. P. H. COWAN, Agent.

Don't tear your old roof off because it is old, worn out or leaky. Use Elastic Roofing Paint. P. H. COWAN, Agent.

Wallace & Co. Chocolates are "Candies of Character." They Sweeten Life.

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BOARDERS WANTED

Three or four Gentlemen Boarders can be accommodated at No. 68 New Gower St. Terms moderate. Cuisine first class.—Feb 14

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A MESSAGE TO THE GOVERNOR "BOYS ALL WELL"

The following message has been received by His Excellency the Governor.

The message reads: "Arrived, Tuesday afternoon; all well. (Sgd.) MONTGOMERIE."

MAKING HIS MARK

Sergt. E. Barnes, of the Second Contingent of our Volunteers, is doing splendid work at the target, having for the third time made the "possible" at the 500 yards range.

Ned is a C.L.B. lad, and a noted all-round athlete who will undoubtedly prove an efficient "soldier of the King" if given the opportunity.

Something Wrong

The statement of local sealing steamer owners that virtually the whole take of skins for 1914 is still in the hands of agents in England and America to whom they were shipped the past season is denied by the New York Fishing Gazette.

Now, who is lying? Are we to believe the men who want to cut seal fat to \$3.75 because they say seal skins are unsaleable, or are we to believe the Fishing Gazette of New York, which paper is conversant with every particular in connection with the fish and oil business of America?

DANCE IN T. A. ARMOURY

A dance was held by the members of the T.A. and B. Society in the Hall Armory last night, and it was the last event of its kind for the season. A goodly number attended. The music, which was supplied by the Society's own Band, was all that could be desired for the occasion.

The affair was voted by all one of the most enjoyable events of the season.

It is expected the Fogota will sail north to-morrow morning, going as far as weather conditions will permit.

The bark, Ada Pearl is now due to Goodridge's from Brazil. She left that port before the bark, E. S. Hickman, though the latter arrived here on Saturday last.

The Reid Mid. Coy. report the Ethie jammed in the ice about 3 miles off Placentia.



Patriotic Association of Newfoundland

There will be a meeting of the Patriotic Association of Newfoundland in the Board of Trade Building, Water Street, on THURSDAY evening next, the 18th, at 8 p.m.

V. P. BURKE, Hon. Secy.

NOTICE.

All debts due the Estate of Jackman The Tailor Ltd., must be paid direct to undersigned Liquidator or Morris & Dunfield, Solicitors for said Estate not later than March 1st, after which date legal proceedings will be taken.

P. C. O'DRISCOLL, Liquidator. Feb 16, 31

PERSONAL

Mrs. John Anderson, who was to have left for England by the Mongolian, went passenger by the S.S. Stephano. Mrs. Anderson has gone to consult medical aid, having been many years suffering from some internal illness.

WEATHER REPORT

Toronto (noon)—Moderate, with westerly winds, mild, with showers.

Regular Cities Of British Soldiers

Paris, Feb. 16.—In confirmation of recent message stating that about 500,000 British troops were to be landed on French soil within few days, visitors returning from Etaples near Boulogne, report regular cities of British soldiers with population of 300,000 to 4,000,000.

This vast army of ten to twelve army corps is the big army Kitchener has been training for the past half year and is expected to complete the task of hurling the Germans out of France and Belgium.

The rest of Kitchener's army of 100,000 are expected to be landed in France within the next few weeks.

Germany Judges Britain by Herself

Berlin, Feb. 16.—An official statement reading as follows was issued in Berlin to-day. In so much as it is to the interest of Great Britain that conflicts arise between Germany and neutral powers it is thought in German shipping circles that British submarines, in order to bring about this end, may purposely sink one or two neutral ships. It is known also in shipping circles that Great Britain has laid large quantities of mines against German submarines.

Magistrate's Court

Three drunks who had been celebrating the February holiday were discharged.

A vagrant was sentenced to 10 days. A householder, drunk and disorderly in his own house, gave bonds for his future good behaviour and was let go.

Two citizens for assaulting Const. Pitcher were remanded.

A deserter from his vessel was escorted safely on board his ship. A drunk and disorderly citizen was fined five dollars.

The owner of a vicious dog was summoned by Sergt. Noseworthy with the result that the dog was ordered to be destroyed and costs paid by defendant.

The enquiry into the case of larceny at Blair's was resumed, evidence of Sergt. Byrne being taken, which is to be continued this afternoon.

Kyle's Passengers

The Gulf steamer S.S. Kyle brought the following first class passengers from North Sydney to Port aux Basques:—

Miss Bertha Barron, Jas. Duff, E. Hatch, E. Garnier, H. B. Baird and R. Fudge.

The express will reach the city to-morrow night.

Weather Along the Line

Weather along the line of railway to-day is mild, S.E., light and snowing. West to Humbermouth, raining beyond there. Temperature from 23 to 26 above.

Fits Up For Seal Fishery

The Florizel which arrived into port this morning, will be now fitted up for the seal fishery. She already has her supply of coal in bunker and will discharge the rest at the Bowring premises.

Plenty of Freight

Though the depression consequent of the hard war times, is general, quite a lot of freight is going over the line, and the Reid Coy. are kept busy.

There is too, an increase in the inward freight, but the passenger traffic is very poor.

One patient for the General Hospital—a woman from Cupids—arrived by the shore train to-day.

SHIPPING

S.S. Morwenna, 2 days from Halifax with full general cargo to Harvey & Co. arrived this morning at 4 a.m., bringing one passenger, Dr. Shankel, of Torbay.

S.S. Stephano leaves Halifax to-day for New York.

It is hoped to get the S.S. Mongolian away some time to-morrow.

Rosina, 42 days from Pernambuco, arrived in ballast to A. Goodridge & Sons, on Sunday last.

A Generous Act The Salvation Army is distributing in the City to poor families 70 loads of firewood which has been furnished by the Reid Newfoundland Co. Mr. Jonas Barter is doing the carting.

We are glad to hear that Mr. H. B. Curtis, of the R. N. Express Co. is greatly recovered of the dangerous accident he met with a few days ago.

Handsome White Swiss Embroideries Removal Sale Prices.

THIS is a golden opportunity for you to make a selection of high-grade, white, Swiss and French Embroidery and Insertions at low prices.

Here you can select a piece suitable for any purpose, in the best the world can produce, and you'll find no trouble to match the various designs in the different widths.

Some of the richest patterns you've ever seen are amongst this excellent lot of thirty thousand yards of New Goods—they are the best we have ever shown the public and you owe it to yourself to see them before buying elsewhere.

THESE EMBROIDERIES are worked with extra fine, mercerized thread, on fabrics such as Lawn, Cambric, and Long Cloth, etc.; in pleasing, floral and geometrical designs, in the raised style—no ruff edges—similar to hand-work; in half, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, twelve, fifteen, twenty-four, twenty-seven, forty-two and fifty-four inches wide.

Just imagine, a Dress Robe made of our 54-inch wide Embroidery—nothing could be more charming.

Then think of your children—how clean and fresh they look when dressed in dainty white Embroidery frocks—so easy to make and so easily laundered. Come in and make your selection today.

Prices are extremely low for such splendid qualities. Remember, the REMOVAL SALE PRICES continue on all our Dress Fabrics, Blouses, and all other goods that we had advertised recently.

Anderson's, Water Street, St. John's

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Childs' Plain Sweaters (Buttoned on Shoulder) in Green, Blue, Red; from

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Men's, Women's and Misses' Sweaters in all shades, qualities and prices. This lot is Manufacturers' Samples, selling cheap.

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Secure one of these for your young man in the Army and Navy. Price \$1.10 and \$1.30 Grey Yarn for Socks, 95c. per lb. (16 oz.)

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