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Took Poison in Mistake for Rochelle Salts

New York, Dec. 4.—Major John F. Murtagh, U.S.A., stationed at Governor's Island, a former member of the New York State Senate, died at the Hotel Ansonia from the effects of poison taken in mistake for Rochelle salts. He became very ill early in the morning and sent a bellboy to a drug store for the medicine. His death occurred a few hours later. Major Murtagh's home was in Bel...

Headstones Over Graves in France

Imperial War Graves Commission Describes Plans for Cemeteries.

London, Dec. 4.—The Imperial War Graves Commission, describing its plan for the maintenance of war cemeteries abroad, propose the erection of headstones of a uniform design which are to replace the temporary wooden crosses and the headstones. They will be 30 inches high and 15 inches wide. At the eastern end of the cemetery a great altar stone will be raised with broad steps. Each headstone will bear the badge of the soldier's regiment or other unit in metal, and a cross and an inscription bearing the name, rank, regiment, date of death, and next of kin will be permitted. A three-line inscription will be also allowed. The graves of non-Christian soldiers will be treated in accordance with their own religious beliefs.

Mrs. Fairbanks Ge's Divorce

New Rochelle, Dec. 4.—Mrs. Beth H. Fairbanks won an interlocutory decree of divorce from Douglas Fairbanks, moving picture actor, in the Supreme Court here Saturday. She was awarded the custody of their son, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., eight years old.

Over 3,000 Victims Flu at Montreal

Montreal, Dec. 4.—In the recent epidemic of Spanish influenza 133,000 cases were reported from the city of Montreal to the Quebec Superior Board of Health, and 3,173 deaths from the disease were recorded in the city, according to a report issued by Dr. J. A. Beaudry, inspector-general for the board. For the whole province, exclusive of the city of Montreal, 479,535 cases and 9,228 deaths were reported.

3,621 Flu Victims.

Winnipeg, Dec. 4.—New cases of influenza reported to the local health officials totalled 123, while there were 12 deaths from the disease. Since the epidemic first started in this city, October, 3,621 citizens have died and 9,866 have been stricken down with the disease.

Dr. Coates Dies Result of Poisoning

A distressing affair took place at Caesarea on Sunday, Nov. 24th, when Dr. George A. Coates, V.S., passed away. At the inquest which was held at Blackstock, witnesses testified that Dr. Coates, who was a young man 39 years of age, died as a result of taking pills which poisoned his system. It was also stated that on Saturday while at his place of business in Port Perry he was noticed to be under the influence of liquor.

In London, a cable says, apples have been selling at the almost incredible price of 75 cents a pound.

It is sometimes easier to get what you like than to keep on liking it after you get it.

Opposes Any Form of Militarism; Wilson Leaves For Europe

Seas Safe Only Because Britain Rules the Waves, Roosevelt and Beatty Declare—Allies Divide German Black Sea Fleet—Allies Endorse Lloyd George's Plan to Make Germany Pay in Full.

GERMAN NAVY A BEAST SAYS BEATTY

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Admiral Sir David Beatty tells his sailors that the German navy is a despicable beast and still needs watching.

BRITISH NAVY GUARANTEES SEA FREEDOM

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Roosevelt says the freedom of seas is assured only by a big British navy.

TORONTO POLICE MAY STRIKE

TORONTO, Dec. 4.—The police will go on strike on Friday unless their union with the Trades and Labor Council is recognized by the Board of Commissioners.

\$25,000,000 FOR HOUSING OPERATIONS

OTTAWA, Dec. 4.—The government sets apart \$25,000,000 for housing operations.

MORE CANADIAN FILMS ORDERED

TORONTO, Dec. 4.—Film exchanges in Ontario are ordered to distribute more Canadian soldier and patriotic pictures and not so many Yankee ones.

TRAWLERS MAY BE LOST ON SUPERIOR

PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 4.—It is feared here that the trawlers Inkerman and Cerisola have been lost with all on board.

ALLIES DIVIDED GERMAN BLACK SEA

SEBASTOPOLE, Dec. 4.—The allied fleet of British, French, Italian and Greek war vessels have taken from the Germans ten warships including small craft in harbor here. The Russian Decavolia is now under the British flag. Five destroyers were apportioned among the Allies, the British taking two, the French two and the Italians one. Four submarines, all German were divided between the French and British. All the remaining warships and merchant vessels of German Black Sea fleet will be held here. There are about 11,000 German troops in the Crimea. They have requested permission to proceed to Germany by way of Trieste, so as to avoid repetition of an incident three weeks ago at Odessa where German soldiers were attacked by hostile citizens and some were killed.

ALLIES AGREE TO MAKE GERMANY PAY IN FULL

LONDON, (Tuesday)—All the nations represented at the interallied conference here today may be regarded as in agreement with the policy of Lloyd George as to compelling Germany to pay to the limit of her capacity. The Allied representatives were also agreed on a proposition of bringing to trial those responsible for the outrages on humanity during the war.

NEWSPAPER MEN IN CONFERENCE

TORONTO, Dec. 4.—Proprietors and managers of daily papers in smaller cities of Ontario are today meeting at the King Edward Hotel here to discuss measures to be taken to meet the ever upward increase of production of newspapers. Measures to meet this, possibly by increasing the price of newspapers and increasing the advertising rates will be put forward at the meeting today.

WILSON AGAINST MILITARISM

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Prior to President Wilson's departure today for Europe to attend

the peace conference it became known that he goes prepared against militarism in any form. The crushing of Prussian militarism was part of his plan for the future peace of the whole world, the president feels according to those persons who conferred with him on the transport George Washington before it sailed.

HEAVY EARTHQUAKE TODAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—A heavy earthquake was in progress today at 8.30 a.m., the Georgetown University observatory announced.

WHAT DOES KING THINK OF EX-KAISER?

LONDON, Dec. 4.—What does King George really think of his cousin, William Hohenzollern, the former German Emperor? That is the question that has been often asked, but has never received anything approaching an authoritative answer. According to a writer in The Daily News which is usually very careful as to the trustworthiness of what it prints, King George regards him as a "despicable beast" in the world today and that he has not only permitted atrocities to proceed but was in many cases personally an assenter to them and that for such a man no retributive penalty however severe would be undeserved.

PRESIDENT WILSON LEFT FOR EUROPE TODAY

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States sailed at 10.05 a.m. today on the transport George Washington, for Europe to participate as one of the five representatives of the United States to the peace conference to be held in France.

CROWN PRINCE DENIES HE HELPED TO START WAR

OOSTERLAND, Holland, Dec. 3.—"I have not renounced anything, and I have not signed any document whatever."

Frederick William Hohenzollern, who still claims the title of crown prince, thus answered the question of the Associated Press in the course of a lengthy conversation today which took place in the small cottage of the village pastor on the island of Wieringen, where he is interned.

"However," he continued, "should the German Government decide to form a republic similar to the United States or France, I shall be perfectly content to return to Germany as a simple citizen, ready to do anything to assist my country. I should even be happy to work as a laborer in a factory."

"At present everything appears chaos in Germany, but I hope things will right themselves."

"I was convinced early in October, 1914, that we had lost the war. I considered our position hopeless after the battle of the Marne, which we should not have lost if the chiefs of our general staff had not succumbed a case of nerves."

"I tried to persuade the general staff to see peace then, even at a great sacrifice, going so far as to give up Alsace-Lorraine, but I was told to mind my own business and confine my activities to commanding my armies. I have proof of this."

What finally brought about the downfall of the German military power, he declared, was a revolution induced by four years of hunger among the civilians and the troops in the rear, together with the overwhelming numbers being gathered by the entente powers since America's entry into the war.

LATEST

NEW ULTIMATUM SENT TO GERMANY DEMANDING FULFILLMENT OF AGREEMENT

LONDON, Dec. 3.—Events moved swiftly today to complete the allied victory over Germany and the Hohenzollerns. Of equal importance in London today are the decision to take drastic action against the Kaiser and the accepted belief that the allies must occupy Germany, including Berlin and Austria in order to enforce the armistice terms.

The press here inclines to be exultant in the probability of the occupation of Berlin and Vienna which is deemed necessary because of countless infractions of the armistice terms. While such information comes solely from enemy sources, the report that Marshal Foch has sent an ultimatum to Berlin demanding that Germany surrender the rest of the locomotives agreed to in the armistice is probably correct.

Marshal Foch sent a new ultimatum to the German armistice delegates demanding that Germany give up the rest of the locomotives agreed to, according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen transmitting advices from Berlin. Mathias Erzberger, leader of the German armistice commission, protested that it was impossible and asked for a respite. The ultimatum expired Monday forenoon with what result it has not been learned.

A Ruter despatch from Berlin today confirms the delivery of the ultimatum, the time limit of which is 24 hours. It says Mathias Erzberger, of the German armistice commission, offered to deliver all the locomotives as soon as they were repaired. The German newspapers, adds the despatch, point out that there is no hope of prolonging the armistice and that the allies will occupy Germany.

BORDEN CONFERS WITH LLOYD GEORGE

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Sir Robert Borden, Premier of Canada with other colonial premiers was engaged with premier Lloyd George and the members of the British cabinet today in long discussions regarding the dominions' attitude re permanent peace terms.

EARLIEST CANADIAN UNITS HOME FIRST

OTTAWA, Dec. 4.—That Canadian soldiers serving overseas will be brought home as units, by seniority of divisions and not split up in England and sent home by trades and occupations, as previously arranged was the information contained in a letter received from Major General Morrison, commander Canadian Artillery overseas. Militia department today agrees that this plan will be carried out as far as possible.

DEMAND ARREST OF VON HINDENBURG

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 4.—The Soldiers' and workers' congress at Leipzig has demanded that German general headquarters shall be dissolved and Field Marshal Von Hindenburg arrested.

Dr. Boyce Opens Wilson Inquest

Further Evidence to be Taken Next Monday into Victoria Avenue Fatality

Coroner Dr. Boyce last evening opened at Tickell's morgue an inquest into the fatal coasting accident on Victoria Avenue whereby Bertram F. Wilson lost his life. The jury is composed of S. T. Vandervoort, foreman, J. L. Simpson, E. T. Cherry, J. B. Perkins, W. S. Clarke, H. McGinnis, H. McKay and J. S. Peck. The jury viewed the remains and heard identification evidence offered by Mr. D. M. Farrell and Mr. J. L. Tickell and evidence as to the summoning of the jury by the Coroner's Constable, Mr. John M. Truesick. The inquest was adjourned until Monday evening next.

Life is compensatory to this extent: The man who is afraid of death is the one who isn't facing it.

RITCHIE'S

The Ideal Time and The Ideal Place To Do Your Christmas Shopping

Remember just 18 more shopping days before Xmas and as every day passes it will get busier at the Ritchie Store. The stocks now are replete with a countless array of Giveable and Practical Gift Suggestions—every department has made extra efforts to be in a position to serve you wisely and well this "Peace" Season. Shop Early.

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centre show window there are actually thousands of Handkerchiefs on display—Handkerchiefs in Dairy Gift Boxes from 45c to \$2.00 a box of three. Plain White and Colored Lawn at 12 1/2c to 25c. Pure Linen Handkerchiefs 15c up to 60c and appropriate Handkerchiefs for the Kiddies, all kinds, all and prices, suitable for every sort of giving—see the timely showing and choose early and often at Ritchie's.

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A choice selection in Crepe De Chine, Jap Silk, Wash Satin, all prettily adorned with fancy lace and embroidery and displayed in shades of flesh, white, black, maize, etc., special \$1.95 to \$3.75
Silk Night Gowns \$4.50 to \$15.00

Perrin's Chamois Gloves

Very new for Xmas—Perrin's white or natural washable Gloves with cuff—a full range of sizes, priced \$2.00 pair
Ladies' All Wool Gloves—grey, natural, beaver, brown, black and white, very special at 75c pair

RITCHIE'S MENS STORE

Gift Giving Suggestions That The Mens' Store Brings to Your Attention

Right now the problem of what to give him is probably one of your chief worries. Naturally you want the gift to be of a practical nature and reflect the taste he'd exercise if he bought it himself. Our Men's Store is crowded with such Gift Things. Come in now while the selections are large and varied, and let us help you choose those "Men's" Gifts. We will be pleased to offer suggestions and show you the latest Christmas novelties.

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