

YESTERDAY'S Late Messages

A Review of Naval Operations Off Belgian Coast

LONDON, Jan. 13.—Naval operations off the Belgian coast, last summer and autumn, are described in an official despatch from Vice-Admiral H. S. Bacon, Commanding the Dover patrol, who begins by explaining the great care taken to confine the fire to purely military and naval objectives, so as to inflict a minimum loss of life and distress to the civil population, among whom were large numbers of citizens of the Allied countries. In order to carry this principle into effect, it was at times necessary to modify and even to postpone projected attacks. The despatch says that the results, therefore, have been effective, rather than sensational.

After speaking of the extreme accuracy of the naval fire, which he attributed as being due to the novel methods and careful training, Vice-Admiral Bacon reviews the various attacks on Zeebrugge and Ostend, on the western side at other points along the coast, at various dates in brief, and sums up the damage to the Germans, which, he says, included the destruction of one torpedo boat, two submarines, one dredger, three military factories, thirteen big guns, two ammunition depots and several military storehouses, while in addition wharves, observation and signalling stations, and the Zeebrugge locks were damaged.

The British loss consisted of three armed trawlers, of which two struck mines, and 24 men were killed and 24 wounded.

Admiral Bacon says that the gunnery results exceeded his expectations. His fleet consisted of 80 vessels of various classes, manned partly by men of the regular Navy, but more largely by officers and men of the Naval Reserve and deep sea fishermen. The protection of such a moving fleet by destroyers, in waters which are the natural home of the enemy's submarines, has been admirable.

Vice-Admiral Bacon says it is still more remarkable the attitude shown by the officers and crews of the drifters and trawlers who, in difficult waters, and under conditions totally strange to them, maintained their allotted stations without a single accident. Moreover, these men, under fire, exhibited a coolness worthy of

Allies Land Food Supplies for Serbs

LONDON, Jan. 13.—French soldiers occupied the Achilleon, on which the French flag was hoisted. The occupation of Corfu, says the advices from Athens, is a repetition of what has happened on other Greek Islands.

The matter has been taken under consideration by the Greek Cabinet, and a protest against the occupation of Corfu, which is being formulated, is expected to be more energetic than previous protests sent to the Entente Powers. It is understood that the landing of French troops is preparatory to the transference there of a portion of the Serbian army for the purpose of rest and refitting.

The Achilleon was occupied in 1890 for the residence of Elizabeth of Austria. The Villa was purchased in 1907 by the German Emperor.

General Ptinik, Commander-in-Chief of the Serbian army has arrived at Corfu, according to an Athens despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company. He is accompanied by his family and the Superior Serbian officers.

It is believed in Athens that the arrest of the Austrian and German Consuls at Corfu is certain to follow. The correspondent telegraphs that British and French ships have landed in Albania food supplies for 150,000 Serbs.

Central Powers Attack Saloniki Defences

ROME, Jan. 13.—An Athens despatch to the Giornale D'Italia says an attack by the Teutonic Allies on the Entente positions has begun with a bombardment of the British lines in the Doiran zone which lasted the entire day. The attacking troops are distributed as follows: The Germans on the west front around Monastir, the Bulgarians on the Gievgell-Doiran line, the Turks on the east flank. The correspondent reports that a bombardment of the British line to the Doiran zone proceeded all day Monday. The German commander of the attacking force says the correspondent will make use of Austrian, Bulgarian and Turkish forces. The participation of the Turks had been doubtful, he adds, but it is now certain that they will be included in the attacking army.

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the personnel of a service inured to discipline. The results show how deeply adaptability is engrained in the sea-faring race of the British Islands.

Will Provide Shelter For Gallant Serbs

PARIS, Jan. 13.—Ministers of the Allied Powers at Athens have handed a note to the Greek Government declaring that they regard it as a clear duty to humanity to transport, as soon as possible, part of the Serbian army to a point near the Albanian coast.

According to a Havas despatch from Athens, the Note sets forth, that this step is taken in order to save these heroic soldiers from famine and destruction, and that the island of Corfu has been chosen for the purpose, as offering the necessary facilities from the point of view of sanitation and food supply.

The Powers go on to say they do not suppose Greece will object to the proposed transfer of the Serbs, who are the allies of Greece, and who will only remain a short time on the island.

The Note concludes, by saying that there is no intention of occupation, as all guarantees have been given under this head to the Greek Government, both concerning Corfu and other parts of Greek territory, which the Allied troops have had to use.

A New Party Under Leadership of Carson

LONDON, Jan. 13.—Following the formation of a party last week under the leadership of Sir Edward Carson to advocate a vigorous prosecution of the war, and which has reached a membership of 80 Unionists, a similar movement was started yesterday on the Liberal side as an offset to that section of the Liberals opposing the Military Service Bill. Sir Hy. Dalsiel, Sir Frederick Cawley and Sir Alfred Mond are leaders in this movement. A number of well known critics of the Government policy from the Liberal side, including Annan Bryce, have already joined and the hope is expressed in some quarters that these two independent movements will converge eventually, and form a national party, supporting the Government in all measures tending towards a vigorous war policy.

Jap Premier Has A Narrow Escape

TOKIO, Jan. 13.—Count Okuma, the Japanese Premier had a narrow escape from death early to-day at the hands of assassins. He was returning from the Royal Palace shortly after midnight when two bombs were hurled at his auto, but the Premier was not injured.

A GREAT BIG WEEK-END PROGRAMME AT THE NICKEL.

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MONDAY—THE GODDESS and WHO PAYS?—THE BEST ALWAYS—AT THE NICKEL.

Sadagora Near Czernowitz Taken By Russians

LONDON, Jan. 13.—News from the Eastern front of the capture of Sadagora, is regarded in military circles as probably true, although no official announcement of the subject has been received. The town lies a few miles to the north-east of Czernowitz and is a converging point for five good roads of considerable strategic importance. Previous attempts to capture it have been stoutly resisted by the Austrians. Experts say that Sadagora is really of more importance than Czernowitz, on account of its stronger natural positions and the greater facilities which it affords for communication purposes.

The report from Petrograd that the offensive in Galicia and Bessarabia has been suspended for the present is regarded as, to say the least, premature. The offensive, which recently has been in progress on the part of the Russians could not, it is believed, be suspended suddenly, as it had been undertaken after careful preparation, and launched with unexpected strength.

Food Sharkers Rounded Up

LONDON, Jan. 13.—A despatch to the Times from Petrograd, states that the Government is making a serious attempt to eradicate the evils of bribery and speculation that is responsible for the unprecedented rise of the prices of commodities. One of the most prominent flour speculators of Moscow was the first to be arrested. This action was followed by the arrest of 15 flour speculators of Petrograd.

Two Zemstvo Councillors of Nizni Novogrod have been found guilty of cornering the local sugar market and other necessities.
Further arrests are expected, while railway officers who accept bribes will hereafter be dealt with by military courts.

Chinese Rebels Have Been Defeated

LONDON, Jan. 13.—A Hong Kong despatch says that the rebels were well supplied with arms, munitions and military uniforms. They fought until their ammunition was exhausted, when they continued the struggle with bombs. Ultimately the revolutionaries were routed, and many of them, including some of their leaders, were killed or taken prisoners. The Government forces also captured munitions and horses.

Various garrisons were engaged in following traces left by the rebels who escaped, with the object of exterminating them.

Want Them Removed From British Peerage

LONDON, Jan. 13.—The suggestion has been made in the House of Commons that the Dukes of Cumberland and Albany now fighting against Great Britain, should be removed from the British peerage. Premier Asquith intimated that it would be a slow process. Legislation would be necessary, which the Government was not prepared to initiate at present.

On Furlough

ROME, Jan. 13.—Lt-General Count Cadorna, Commander-in-Chief of the Italian army, returned to the front today after twenty days' furlough. King Victor Emmanuel began his furlough yesterday. This is also limited to 20 days, and the King will employ his time in visiting the bases of operations of the Italian fleet.

As Viceroy of India

LONDON, Jan. 13.—The Times understands that Lord Chelmsford is to be the new Viceroy of India. Lord Chelmsford is 48 years old, and has held the Governorship both of Queensland and New South Wales.

Southern Bay Has Union Road Board

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
Dear Sir,—On Dec. 16th we elected our Local Road Board and returned a full crew of Unionists, namely:—Robert Russell, Fredk. Russell, James Quinton, Alfred Quinton, and Samuel Yetman.
We recently held our annual meeting and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:—
Chairman—Samuel Yetman.
Dep. Chairman—Henry Yetman.
Secretary—Joseph Yetman.
Treasurer—Samuel J. Prince.
Door Guard—Samuel Prince.
Treasurer—Saml. J. Prince.
Southern Bay, Jan. 7, '16.

St. Lawrence F. P. U. Forging Ahead

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
Dear Sir,—I wish to inform you we held our annual meeting on January 7th and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—
Chairman—Cyrus Beck.
Dep. Chairman—Geo. M. Pike.
Secretary—Albert Pike.
Treasurer—Jacob J. Beck.
Guard—John Laite.
All re-elected.
Yours truly,
C. B.
St. Lawrence, Jan. 7, '16.

Must Have the Fishermen's Paper

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
Dear Sir,—I here enclose 50c. for The Advocate for 1916. It is a paper I wouldn't do without. I look for it every week just as I look for my daily meals. It is a grand work. Sir, you are doing for the people of Newfoundland. Our children's children will be talking about Coaker and what he has accomplished for the toilers of Newfoundland.
I am glad you succeeded in putting down booze, as it is one of the finest things ever done in this country. Long may you live to carry on such noble work is the wish of
ISAAC FOOTE,
A Union Man.
Lamaline, Jan. 6, 1916.

OBITUARY

WILLIAM WITHAM
(Editor Mail and Advocate)
Dear Sir,—Another of our loyal brothers have passed beyond the veil in the person of brother William Witham. He died Dec. 29th, after a brief illness, of that dreadful disease, consumption. To his bereaved wife and friends we extend our heartfelt sympathy.
EZEKIEL LUDLOW,
Secretary,
St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 10,
Fogo, January 8th, 1916.

Many Chinese Killed

LONDON, Jan. 13.—Many Chinese revolutionaries were killed and captured in a series of bloody engagements on Jan. 6, 7, and 8 in the district of Tamsui, Potong, Yentzuwe and Pekio, according to information received from the Canton Government by the British authorities at Hong Kong.

Bridge Blown Up

SALONIKA, Jan. 13.—The important railroad bridge over the Strama River, at Demerhisar, has been blown up by French engineers, as a precautionary measure.

Is Elected Speaker

OTTAWA, Jan. 13.—Dr. Albert Selwyn, M.P., is elected speaker of the Commons. The formal opening of the House takes place to-day.

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NOTICE

THE First Annual Convention of the Conception Bay District Council of the F.P.U. will be held at BAY ROBERTS on MONDAY, the 18th instant. The Convention will open at 4 p.m. at the F.P.U. Hall. All Officers of District Councils and Local Councils of the F.P.U. in the Districts of Harbor Main, Port-de-Grave, Harbor Grace, Carbonear and Bay-de-Verde are members of the Conception Bay District Council and should be present at the Convention. Any such Council through its Delegates, may by resolution bring any matter before the Convention. A Permanent Official, to attend to Union matters in Conception Bay will be selected.

W. F. COAKER,
Chairman C.B.D.C.

St. John's, January 3rd, 1916.