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# ITALIANS CAPTURE TWO SUBMARINES FROM AUSTRIANS

## Germans Make Slight Advance in Drive on Rumanian Port of Galatz

## TEUTONS MOVE ON RUMANIA'S LAST BIG CITY

Carry Town of Vadeni, Six Miles Southwest of Port.

### MANY ATTACKS FAIL

Allies Crush Endeavors to Advance on Sereth and Near Riga.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

London, Jan. 14.—Fighting desperately in bad weather, the Germans continued the struggle in Rumania, and, after failures in many parts of the line, they drove back the Russian advanced posts on the front between Vadeni and Kotimikali, on the Sereth, towards Galatz, the important Rumanian business centre. The Russian official communication of today admits that the Russian troops abandoned the village of Kotumikali and the German official communication of tonight says that the German troops have also occupied Vadeni. This point is about six miles southwest of Galatz.

The Russians say that this offensive was undertaken by three regiments of the enemy, supported by artillery. This is a force of 12,000 infantry when the units are completely up to strength.

The Germans also claim that they took a summit of a peak in the Oituz valley with 50 prisoners, but the Russians say that the attacks of the enemy on the Sloniki River and south of the Oituz River were repulsed.

**Crush Foe Attempts.**

The Russians and Rumanians crushed two attempts of the enemy at an offensive at a point four miles west of Braila and twelve miles south of the confluence of the Slatina and Trotus rivers, and also near Radulesci, about seven miles east of Fokshani, in both cases by their superiority of fire.

The Germans claim that a Russian advance on the Sereth, northwest of Braila, was repulsed.

The Russians are displaying some activity against the Bulgarian forces in the Dobrudja, Sofia reports that hostile monitors shelled Tulcha, and a hostile aeroplane dropped bombs on

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### Swedish Ship Avoids Capture At Cost of Loss of Her Mail

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

London, Jan. 14.—A Reuter despatch from Stockholm says: "The captain of the Swedish steamer Ingeborg, belonging to the Thule Line, who has returned to Gothenburg from England, states that his steamer was stopped in the North Sea by a German submarine and that he was compelled to throw into the sea all the mail from entente countries, consisting of 700 sacks. Otherwise, he said, the German commander threatened to take the ship to Germany."

### Italy's Great Poet-Patriot Receives French War Cross

Venice, via Paris, Jan. 14.—The French War Cross was today pinned on Capt. Gabrielle d'Annunzio, the poet, who also wore for the first time the insignia for the wounded, having lost an eye in an aeroplane accident early in February, 1916. A complimentary letter from Gen. Lynatey, the French minister of war, accompanied the War Cross.

## NATIONAL GOVERNMENT ADVOCATED FOR CANADA

W. F. Maclean, M.P., Speaking at Calgary, Urges Political Reforms, Nationalization of Railways, National Currency and Banking, and Other Reforms.

By a Staff Reporter.

Calgary, Alta., Jan. 14.—The people's forum here was taxed to capacity this afternoon by a crowded audience numbering nearly one thousand people who turned out to hear W. F. Maclean on national government. W. M. Davidson, editor of The Morning Albertan, presided, and in presenting the Ontario M.P. said that Mr. Maclean had been the greatest political force in Canada for the adoption of progressive reforms by the government and people of Canada. Mr. Maclean, upon rising, was given a hearty reception, and at once plunged into the discussion of his subject. He was attentively followed by the large audience, and frequently interrupted by applause. At the conclusion of his speech many questions were asked by persons in the audience, according to the custom of the forum, and several brief addresses were also delivered.

Mr. Maclean pleaded for the establishment of a truly national government, for the laying aside of party differences, and a united parliament. He deprecated the idea of a war-time election, saying that a political struggle would set province against province and section against section. Only thru a national government could Canada achieve the nationalization of railways and national currency and banking system and other progressive reforms imperatively needed in the public interest.

**Drop Party Politics.**

There is a need in Canada today," Mr. Maclean said in opening, "for a national government to express the national sentiment of the Canadian people. The time had come to drop party politics and to end hostility between east and west, English and French, by bringing about a united government and a united parliament."

Two great problems, he said, confronted the people. One was to do their part and their full part in winning the war. The other was to get the country most advantageously prepared for the period of reconstruction that must follow the war. The danger of party government, he said, was that the politicians, in their struggle to

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## TWO SUBMARINES FALL AS PRIZES TO ITALIANS

One Becomes Unit of King Victor Emmanuel's Navy—Allied Hydroplanes Successfully Raid Austrian Works at Pola.

Rome, Jan. 14, via Paris. The capture of two submarines is reported in an announcement today from the war office. The statement follows:

"The enemy submarine VC12, which the German navy ceded to Austria-Hungary, has fallen into our hands and become a unit of our torpedo squadrons. Another enemy submarine the VT12, belonging to the Austro-Hungarian navy, also is in our possession.

"Italian and French hydroplanes on Friday dropped bombs on the enemy's works at Pola. Enemy airplanes made a counter-attack, but were repulsed. One of our hydroplanes successfully fought three enemy airplanes.

"Enemy airplanes bombed our torpedo boats at sea without effect. All our units returned to their base undamaged."

## JAP CRUISER BLOWN UP CASUALTIES EXCEED 300

Fire on Tsukuba, Lying in Yokosuka Harbor, Causes Magazine to Explode—Great Majority of Crew Safe.

Tokio, Jan. 14.—The Japanese battle cruiser Tsukuba was destroyed by an explosion today in the harbor of Yokosuka. Fire on the Tsukuba caused the magazine to blow up.

One hundred and fifty-three members of the crew of the Tsukuba were killed and 157 injured, many of them seriously. Numerous members of the ship's company were rescued from the water. Most of the officers of the cruiser were ashore.

The cause of the explosion is not known.

The Tsukuba was laid down in 1905 and displaced 13,750 tons. She was 440 feet long and was armed with four 12-inch, twelve 6-inch, twelve 4.7-inch and four 3-inch guns, three 3-pounders and five torpedo tubes. Her complement was 817 men. The Tsukuba was sent to Hampton Roads in 1907 at the time of the Jamestown exposition.

Yokosuka is an important naval station, 13 miles southwest of Yokohama.

## WAR SUMMARY

### THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

ACCORDING to the Germans, they have advanced in Rumania along the road from Braila to Galatz as far as Vadeni, six miles distant from Galatz. The Russians in an earlier bulletin tell of their lines being attacked in this region by three regiments, or twelve battalions, of the enemy, supported by artillery, and they say that their advanced troops were compelled to abandon the village of Kotumikali, on the Sereth. It is in this region where the enemy is making his chief efforts, being desirous of occupying Galatz for its supposed political effects on the allied and neutral peoples. Galatz may fall, but that event would bring the war no nearer a conclusion, and so it is really a dissipation of force for the Germans to waste energies on capturing it.

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Of the many tactical lessons taught by the war on the methods of securing victory the allies have learned some important ones, as shown by the perfection of their attacks before Verdun and in the later stages of the Somme engagement; but the Germans do not seem to have learned a single one. For success ever since the war began the Germans have tried the same old formula, and they never have had a real success yet. Their formula is, if they have guns enough, to break thru by power of high explosive shell, attempt envelopment, the test of real victory, and fail; if they do not have guns enough, they still pound away and fail to break thru. In Rumania the Germans did break thru, but their attempt at the envelopment and destruction of the Rumanian armies has failed. Nevertheless,

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### BIG FIGHT OVER APPAM STARTS IN COURT TODAY

German and British Claimants of Steamer Prepared for Action.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Important litigation comes before the supreme court this week, beginning tomorrow with the hearing of cases to determine possession of the German prize ship Appam and her cargo, held at Newport News, Va.

The Appam suits involve interpretation of ancient treaties between Germany and the United States. Prominent international lawyers will appear in behalf of the German and British claimants. After capture by the German raider Moewe a year ago, the ship was taken by a prize crew on a cross Atlantic dash of 3000 miles to Hampton Roads. The former British owners are now claiming the prize for alleged violation of American neutrality laws.

### German Destroyer Makes Captive of Danish Steamer

London, Jan. 14.—The Aftonbladet of Stockholm, as quoted by the Copenhagen correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Co., says that a German destroyer yesterday captured in Swedish territorial waters the Danish steamer Thyra of Copenhagen.

## GOVERNMENT WILL TAKE OVER MINES

Strong Action at Fernie Certain Unless Operators Give Way.

### MEN'S CAUSE UPHELD

Operators Fail to Realize War's Obligations, Says Official Statement.

By Staff Reporter.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 14.—If government action is necessary to prevent suffering in the prairies and to keep the smelters supplied with coke, action will undoubtedly be firm and vigorous. In view of the financial strength of the mine owners, government action, if found necessary, will no doubt be carried out at the expense of the operators.

This radical proposal was announced in an official statement issued by the government today in connection with the strike trouble at the Fernie coal mines. Government operation of these mines now seems certain. The operators have refused to grant the men an increase in wages, and the miners have intimated that unless their demands are acceded to they will go on strike tomorrow. The operators are still in the city, but the representatives of the men have gone home.

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## BRITISH EJECT FOE FROM SERRE POST

Germans Fail to Hold Post Entered Temporarily By Them

### CANNONADING GOES ON

French Record Merely Artillery Activity—Heavy Rains Bring Floods.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

London, Jan. 14.—On the British front in France, the Germans gained admittance to a British post opposite Serre in a raid on Saturday morning, but the British immediately coming up drove them out and in further skirmishing, they took 13 more prisoners in this area which also comprises the Beaumont-Hamel sector. The Germans have also attempted raids. Both the British and the French continue their cannonading of German positions on pretty well the whole front.

It has been raining heavily in France. A Paris despatch says:

"The Seine continues to rise and all navigation on the river has ceased. The situation is serious and may become more so if the rain continues to fall."

The British war office communication issued this evening, says:

"Early last night a hostile party endeavored to raid one of our posts

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### FOE FOREIGN MINISTER HAS ABSCESS OF JAW

Count Ottokar Czernin Chudenitz is Ill at Vienna.

London, Jan. 15.—Count Ottokar Czernin von Chudenitz, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, is ill in bed as a result of an abscess of the upper jaw, says Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent, quoting a Vienna despatch. The emperor visited Count Czernin half an hour Saturday.

### Fires From Unknown Causes Are Quickly Extinguished

Fire from an unknown cause damaged a two-storey brick stable, owned by Mr. Marchment, 115 Victoria street, at the rear of 1061 Keele street, about 7.30 last night, to the extent of $250. Due to the good work of the firemen, nine horses housed there were rescued. Mr. Maidment, the foreman, lives in front of the building, and he turned in the alarm, to which the Keele street fire section responded.

Another fire of unknown origin was responsible for $500 damage to the barber shop of A. Stewart, 402 West Bloor street, at noon yesterday. The building is owned by George Phillips, 556 Huron street.

### Russian Progressives Lose Control of Empire Council

London, Jan. 14.—A Reuter despatch from Petrograd says that in addition to the nomination of the reactionary ex-Minister of Justice J. G. Chtcheglovitof, as president of the council of the empire, the new year ukase gives a list of retirements from active membership in the council. Among those retiring is Baron Rosen, the former ambassador to the U. S. The new appointments to the council are also reported, the result being that the present progressive majority is replaced by a rightist majority of about 12.

BELGIUM'S PRINCIPAL INDUSTRY CONTINUES DESPITE THE WAR

Altho their village is for the most part in ruins, certain Belgian women still continue their industry of lace making. Here is shown a Belgian soldier watching one of his countrywomen at work.

### HOPE GERMANY WILL STATE PEACE TERMS

Washington Thinks Polite Request Will Bring Out Information.

Special to The Toronto World.

Washington, Jan. 14.—If the United States invites the German foreign office to make known Germany's peace terms it is probable that they will be made public, according to reports heard in diplomatic circles today.

It is unlikely that the United States will take such action, in view of the fact that the president's note extended such an invitation specifically. The allies responded to it by a detailed statement of their objects in the war.

The policy of the government relating to peace and also to the submarine situation is expected to be revealed, or at least partly, in the statement to be issued about Ambassador Gerard's speech tomorrow or Tuesday, by Secretary Lansing. It is not expected that the statement will be a rebuke to Gerard, but will clearly show that the American Government is watching the submarine situation closely.

## RAIDER'S SINKING AGAIN REPORTED

British Cruisers Said to Have Disposed of German Pirate.

### MACKINAW ESCAPES

Steamer Believed to Have Been Within Twenty Miles of Raider.

Special to The Toronto World.

Boston, Jan. 14.—A report brought to this port by Captain J. Findley and the crew of the steamer Mackinaw is that a German raider has been destroyed in the Atlantic by British cruisers.

According to their statements, the raider has been operating in disguise, and the Mackinaw had a narrow escape from capture. At one time she is believed to have been only 20 miles from the German vessel, but due to wireless warnings sent out by the British fleet, which have been combing the seas for months past for the commerce destroyer, the Mackinaw changed her route and arrived safely today in Boston harbor.

The Mackinaw left for this port and Philadelphia from London twenty days ago and was delayed thru the unusual severity of the storms which she encountered and the sudden changing of her course from the usual line of travel. She carried a general merchandise cargo.

Reports of the sinking of a German commerce raider have been circulated for several days but lack confirmation.

## CANADIANS' VALOR WELL RECOGNIZED

More Than Twenty-seven Hundred Decorations Have Been Given.

### HONORS FROM ALLIES

French and Russian Governments Make Eighty-three Awards to Canadians.

Ottawa, Jan. 14.—Canadians at the front, by bravery and distinguished service, have won decorations, medals and mention in despatches to the number of 2,715 up to Dec. 31, 1916. Of this number 41 were awarded by the French and 42 by the Russian governments.

A summary based upon the record classifies the decorations as follows:

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| Victoria Cross | 6 |
| K.C.B. (civil) | 1 |
| K.C.B. (military) | 1 |
| C.B. (civil) | 3 |
| C.B. (military) | 6 |
| Knight Bachelor | 1 |
| K.C.M.G. | 28 |
| D.S.O. | 114 |
| Military Cross | 329 |
| Bar to Military Cross | 9 |
| Royal Red Cross | 35 |
| D.C.M. | 371 |
| Clasp to D.C.M. | 1 |
| Bar to D.C.M. | 4 |
| Military Medal | 1138 |
| Bar to Military Medal | 21 |
| Meritorious Service Medal | 22 |
| Mentioned in despatches | 542 |
| **French.** | |
| Legion of Honor | 14 |
| Croix de Guerre | 15 |
| Medaille Militaire | 12 |
| **Russian.** | |
| Medal of St. George | 24 |
| Cross of St. George | 15 |
| Order of Ste. Anna | 2 |
| Order of St. Stanislaus | 1 |
| Total | 2715 |

### First Serbian Minister Reaches Washington Today

Special to The Toronto World.

Washington, D.C., Jan. 14.—Secretary of State Lansing tomorrow will receive the first Serbian minister to the United States. His name is Michaelovitch, and he has just arrived in the United States.

No steps have yet been taken to appoint an American minister to Serbia, and it is not likely that any action in this direction will be taken until the close of the war. At the present time Minister Vopicka represents the American government in Serbia, Bulgaria and Rumania.

### Lieut.-Gen. Bandini Lost With Ship, Rome Admits

Rome, via Paris, Jan. 14.—Lieut.-Gen. Bandini, commander of the Italian Albanian expeditionary force, was among those lost aboard the Italian battleship Regina Margherita, the sinking of which by a mine on Dec. 11 was recently officially confirmed.

## ENTIRE NATION WILL SOON BE FED IN PUBLIC

Highest and Lowest in Germany to Line Up at Soup Kitchens.

### DRIVEN DESPERATE

People Urged to Resort to Extraction of Food From Rubbish.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

London, Jan. 14.—"Slowly but surely Germany is being pauperized."

That is the statement made public here by one of the most prominent correspondents of the Danish newspaper, The National Tidende, who writes that the military authorities in Berlin, where he has been stationed since the war began are even considering the "mass feeding" of the entire populace of Germany. As it is, the correspondent insists that over 400,000 people are daily being fed at public "soup kitchens" in Berlin alone.

"The public feeding of paupers and of the starving masses in Berlin has become a necessity," continues the writer, who further asserts that it is only a question of time before the German authorities will, in their frantic endeavors to reduce the cost of feeding the civilian populace to a minimum, in order that the military may not suffer from the want of proper food, force the entire population of the German empire to go to the public kitchens three times daily for their meals.

**Food From Rubbish.**

Quoting as his authority a Danish professor of public economy, now at Berne after a trip thru Germany, the writer declares that in Germany, despite official dissimulation and drastic measures, there are whole regions where famine reigns. Men and women are treated without mercy. When they call for bread they are not given a stone, but things that are truly repulsive. Their professors have sought to extract food from rubbish, and have recommended its use to the public. The newspapers teem with advertisements of this hideous stuff.

The Tidende's correspondent further asserts that the communal table is about to become an institution in Germany. He says that it has been proposed that military dictators be appointed in all the large cities, that the various households fetch three meals to the appointed places daily, including bread, and that all families be forced to partake of their meals in this manner.

### MANIFESTO TO MARK BIRTHDAY OF KAISER

Enemy Rulers to Join in Blaming Entente for War's Continuance.

London, Jan. 14.—It is reported by the Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Co., that on the occasion of Emperor William's forthcoming birthday (he will be 58 years of age on Jan. 27), Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary, King Ferdinand of Bulgaria and the Turkish heir-apparent will go to Berlin to attend the birthday celebrations, and that while they are there the three rulers and the Turkish representative will issue a manifesto to the world, placing responsibility on the entente for continuation of the war. The Sultan of Turkey will not attend the celebration, on account of his advanced age.

### NO TRANSPORT SUNK AS GERMANS ASSERT

British Admiralty Denies Official Statement Issued at Berlin.

London, Jan. 13, 8.05 p.m.—According to an Amsterdam despatch the Berlin Government has issued the following official statement:

"One of our submarines on, December 28, sank a British transport in the English Channel. The transport was steaming with dark red lights and measured about 8000 tons. She was convoyed by destroyers."

In making denial of this announcement, the secretary of the British admiralty said tonight: "The above report is absolutely untrue."

DINEEN'S JANUARY SALE.

Reductions of 20 to 50 per cent. apply on all Dineen's regular stock offers during the January clearing sale. The original prices were extremely reasonable for high-class furs, so that the reductions really mean exceptional bargains. Men's fur-lined and coon skin coats are also on the schedule of reductions. W. and D. Dineen Company, Limited, 140 Yonge street, Toronto. In Hamilton, 20 and 22 King street west.