

NEWS OF WORLD TOLD IN BRIEF

Italy Declares Blockade Against Enemy's Coast on Account of Secret Commissariat Departments

BATTLESHIP TRIUMPH SUNK

Torpedoed When Supporting Advance in Dardanelles—British Destroyed Gunboat—New Advance Commenced on La Bassee.

The Italian Government, believing that Austria-Hungary is utilizing several ports on the Albanian coast for secret commissariat departments, declared a blockade yesterday against "that portion of the Austro-Hungarian coast comprised between the Italian frontier on the north to the Montenegrin boundary on the south, including all islands, ports, anchorages and bays, and also the Albanian coast from the Montenegrin limits on the north to and including Cape Kiephall on the south."

The British battleship Triumph, has been sunk in the Dardanelles. The disaster is attributed in a brief statement by the Admiralty, which says that while operating in support of the Australian and New Zealand forces on the shore of the Gallipoli Peninsula yesterday, the Triumph was torpedoed by a submarine, and sank shortly afterwards.

A Turkish gunboat of the Aidin Reis type was sunk in the Sea of Marmora within sight of Constantinople by a British submarine, according to an Athens despatch to the Paris Journal. The loss of the gunboat, following close upon the destruction of Turkish transports last week, has caused a deep impression in Constantinople.

The British troops have made a new advance in the direction of La Bassee, taking sixty prisoners, of whom several were officers, and capturing some machine guns. The first army continues to make progress east of Festubert. A territorial division carried a group of German trenches on Tuesday night, capturing 35 prisoners, and yesterday morning it captured one officer, 21 men and a machine gun.

The Duke of Rutland claimed certain knowledge that the troops at the front are actually suffering from a want of ammunition in a speech he made yesterday at Leicester. He said that the "hopeless forgetfulness of the military authorities" is to blame, and added that one-thousandth part of the high explosive shells necessary is being supplied.

The British Government is preparing to meet the use of asphyxiating gases by the Germans by employing the same methods. It is understood that two years ago an English inventor devised a scheme for the use of such gases in warfare.

A London engineer asks for names of Canadian manufacturers of locomotive steel boiler tubes, solid drawn or lap-welded.

A Winnipeg firm desires to get into touch with English firms packing herring for export.

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NOTES ON PUBLIC UTILITIES

According to a dispatch from Columbus, the Dayton Power & Light Company has been authorized by the Ohio Public Utilities Commission to issue and sell \$17,400 in bonds and \$483,425 preferred stock. Of the proceeds of the securities, \$800,000 is to go for betterments and the remainder for the purchase of the Miami Light, Heat & Power Company, of Piqua.

At a special meeting of the Augusta-Aiken Railway and Electric Corporation to be held on June 25, stockholders will vote on the proposition of increasing the preferred stock of the company from \$1,600,000 to \$2,500,000. The new stock will be on a parity in all respects with the present outstanding preferred stock, except that dividends on the new stock will begin to accrue from October 1, 1915.

Subsidiaries of the American Power and Light Company reporting for April do not show uniform results. The Kansas Gas and Electric Company and the Pacific Power and Light Company exhibit increased gross returns, while the Portland Gas and Coke Company shows a falling off in gross and net. Kansas Gas and Electric gross earnings for April were \$128,898, or \$25,001 ahead of April, 1914.

Columbus Railway, Power & Light Co. has been authorized by the Ohio Public Utilities Commission to issue \$1,739,000 5 per cent. bonds at 80, but the Commission refused to permit their hypothecation at a less price pending their sale. The company asked to issue \$1,800,000 bonds and to use them as collateral at 66 2-3 pending their sale.

BOSTON STOCK QUOTATIONS. American Zinc 47 1/2 Up 1/4. Allouez 54 Up 3/4. Arizona com. 65 Up 3/4. Butte & Superior 71 Up 1 1/2. Calumet & Arizona 65 Off 1. Calumet & Hecla 580 Off 5. Copper Range 51 1/2 Up 1. East Butte 11 3/4 Up 1/4. Franklin 9 1/2 Up 1. Mohawk 71 1/4 Up 3/4. Mass. Elec. Pfd. 36 1/2 Up 1/4. North Butte 31 Up 1/4. United Fruit 134 Off 1. Shoe Mach. 63 Up 1. Smelting 36 1/2 Up 3/4.

TRADE INQUIRIES

The following were among the inquiries relating to Canadian trade received at the office of the High Commissioner for Canada, 19 Victoria Street, London, S.W., during the week ending May 14th, 1915:

A London firm are open to undertake the representation of Canadian manufacturers of papers or boards and other staple lines.

A Birmingham firm dealing in military equipment are interested in the supply of steel sheets, nickelled, coppered and brassed, and would like to get into touch with Canadian manufacturers.

A Winnipeg firm wish to get into communication with manufacturers of leather and porpoise boat laces in Great Britain requiring agents in Western Canada.

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Heard Around the Ticker

The Atlantic Sugar Refineries, Limited, whose plant was visited by fire to-day, is one of Canada's most recently promoted industries. It has a capital of \$10,000,000. Of the \$2,000,000 preferred authorized, only \$2,500,000 has been issued, while out of a total of \$7,000,000 common, only \$2,500,000 has been placed in the hands of shareholders.

Northcliffe and his Daily Mail continue without appreciable effect on the War Office; but even the yellow press has its uses in arousing a nation to a realization of its danger.

A canvass of the brokerage offices in Toronto reveals the fact that there is much less playing of the races this year than is usual. As a general rule brokers and brokers' clerks are not attending the Woodbine meet as they do in normal times, the reason given being that the times are bad and everyone is economizing.

Canadian Banks, which have had pretty much a monopoly of West Indian business, are likely to meet with competition before very long. It has just been announced that the National City Bank of New York is about to establish a bank in Cuba and probably through the other West Indian Islands.

The government is being asked to give land to the unemployed. It established the precedent long ago when it gave land to railways.

German Zeppelins have indulged in another murder cruise and dropped bombs on Southern, an unfortified seaside resort. The surprising thing about these victories is the accuracy with which the Zepps do not find fortified ports or any spot which is defended.

The annual meeting of the Trust and Loan Company, of Canada, is being held in London, Eng., to-day. The Hon. Sidney Peel is the president, and Sir Vincent Caillard the vice-president.

Manufacturing plants in Canada and the United States are not only receiving some orders for equipment for roads on this continent, but have received very heavy orders from the Russian Government. Lately an order has been placed for twenty-two thousand cars, of which various car companies in Canada got orders for six thousand, the balance being placed in the United States.

Secretary Rogers, of the Toronto National Exhibition, who is at present in Europe in the interests of the coming Fair, has secured a good array of German trophies, and hopes to be able to secure several pieces of captured artillery.

The Mayor has granted the request of the milkmen for non-enforcement of some of the health by-laws. Two strange and unaccountable features of the case are the resuscitation of obsolescences on the part of milkmen and the discovery that we had a few by-laws which were obsolete.

The fourth annual report of the Hebrew Free Loan Association shows a credit balance of \$2,550. The usefulness of the institution has once more been amply demonstrated.

The war is again brought home to the people of Canada in a peculiarly direct manner by the torpedoing of a steamer under charter to the Dominion Coal Company. The vessel, the Morwenna, of Montreal, was owned by the St. Lawrence Shipping Company and was of 1,414 tons capacity.

General Manager Fleming, of the Toronto Railway Company, says that the falling away in the passenger traffic is very material. On some days recently the total passengers carried have been 50,000 less than the same days of the previous year.

In the end a majority of stocks showed net losses, but in none of the active issues outside of the war stocks did those declines amount to as much as a point. Not even when the market closed had the financial community heard definitely whether the damage done to the American ship had been caused by a torpedo or a mine, but even in the absence of precise information on that score the happening was regarded as one intensifying an existing problem rather than creating a new one.

SUN—Further evidence of the uncertainties of the immediate international situation with which Wall Street is reckoning was furnished yesterday when a fresh factor of complicating the uncertainty was suddenly thrust on the Stock Exchange attention by the cable advice that the American steamship Nebraska had been torpedoed or had hit a mine off the Irish Coast.

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CLEANED FROM MANY SOURCES

Bank of England rate is unchanged at 5 per cent. Total deposits of Missouri Pacific notes up to last night were about \$14,600,000.

The conditions in the steel market continue to show improvement with export demand continuing heavy. Average price of twelve industrials 83.48, off 0.44; twenty railroads \$2.31, off 0.25.

The Austrians are reported to be retiring in the face of the Italian advance into Austria. German troops have forced a new passage of the River Dan.

Further British gains near La Bassee are announced by the British War Office. The Italian parcel post service was suspended until further notice.

The Chicago Board of Trade will be closed next Monday, Decoration Day. United States postal deficit for first half current fiscal year was \$6,560,000.

All valuable antiquities and works of art in northern Italy were removed to Sicily. A fourth explosion within ten days occurred at Carney, N.J., plant of the Dupont Powder Co.

President Wilson declared he had not considered calling a special session of Congress in October. Wheat yield of Argentina for this season will show an increase of 56 per cent. over 1914; oats 11 p.c. and flaxseed 25 p.c.

Gabriel d'Annunzio, the Italian poet, and his eldest son will join the army, in which his other two sons are already officers. An order for 700 steel box cars and 50 cabooses was awarded to the Central Locomotive & Car Co., of Chicago by the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad.

Selectmen of Arlington, Mass., have petitioned Massachusetts gas commission for reduction in gas from \$1.15 per 1000 cubic feet. Town is supplied by Arlington Gas Light Co. The British battleship Triumph of 11,800 tons, has been sunk in the Dardanelles by a submarine.

Malden, Mass., aldermen have granted 25 licenses to operate jitney buses between Malden, Everett and Medford. Each applicant gives \$10,000 bond as guarantee against possible personal injuries to passengers. All shipments of cottonseed oil, lubricating oils and grease to Holland from American ports have been temporarily suspended by order of The Netherlands Overseas Trust.

COFFEE MARKET STEADY. New York, May 27.—Coffee market opened steady. September 6.54. October 6.60. December 6.63. January 6.68. March 6.75.

BOSTON OPENED STRONG. Boston, May 27.—Stock market opened strong. Zinc 46 1/2 Up 3/4. Butte & Superior 70 Up 3/4. United Shoe 82 1/2 Up 1/2.

NEW YORK PRESS COMMENT. TIMES.—When the report that another American ship had been torpedoed by a German submarine reached the Stock Exchange yesterday, the market sold off sharply, but only briefly.

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HAPPENINGS IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

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BALL PLAYERS WONT STRIKE

Billy Fitzgerald, the Noted Lacrosse Player, Has Declined to Play With Vancouver—P. Boulianne Is Now President of the Montreal Bowling Association.

Rain prevented the final clash between Montreal and Jersey City yesterday, so that the Royals took two out of the three games of the series. The Jersey City and Montreal players spent the afternoon at the Delorimier race track, the guests of Jim Milton, the well-known star.

"Billy" Fitzgerald has decided to go to the Coast, and will leave the end of the week. Vancouver were badly beaten in the first game, and Con. Jones came across with a big price to get the St. Kitts star. The home appeared to be the weak spot of the Vancouver outfit, but neither Roberts or Donihue arrived in time for the game.

Lustig, claiming that he had been offered a guarantee and not a percentage, refused to meet Charlie McCarthy before the Hochelaga Club last evening, and Battling Terry, the Brooklyn iron man, was substituted. The hockeyist had his opponent on the defensive throughout.

P. Boulianne, first vice-president of the Montreal Bowling Association, has been chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of A. G. Dupont Darling, president. Mr. Darling has enlisted for active service and is at present in training at the Toronto barracks.

George Burns, the Detroit first baseman who was stricken with appendicitis during the training trip played his first game of the season yesterday, replacing Kavanagh, who was injured yesterday.

Rinks skipped by Willie Brown, Norman Stewart and R. W. D. Howell were winners over James Baillie, W. S. Moore, and F. H. Gardner, respectively, at the Westmont Bowling Club last evening. The fourth scheduled match between Suckling's and Mason's rinks was postponed until Friday.

General Sam Hughes wired Ban Johnson asking him to forward the baseball paraphernalia offered the Canadian soldiers in Europe to London, from where it will be sent to the battlefields in Flanders. Mr. Hughes thanked Johnson for the offer of the American league, and added that the fighting Canucks would appreciate the kindness.

John Lobert has written an article on golf. There may be difference of opinion regarding some of his statements, but everybody will agree with him when he says "A golf ball is smaller than a baseball."

Reports that the major league baseball players were contemplating a strike because requests of the Players' fraternity were denied by the national commission were characterized as "silly" by David Fultz, president of the fraternity. The reports grew out of conferences held by Fultz with fraternity members on various terms which have been in New York within the last fortnight.

Four Degan boys are playing with Cornwall in the N. L. U; and all made good in the holiday game. A Cornwall team without a Degan in the lineup would look strange to the fans.

Judging from standings, Connie Mack, when he started in to rebuild the Athletic machine, should have reversed the procedure, kept Collins and sold the rest of his team to Chicago.

The annual spring meet of the Dorval Jockey Club which commences next Monday, is to be attended by most of the best horses on the circuit. The most recent arrivals are R. B. Steele, with fourteen horses. Ed. Gleason with four and D. Carter with an even dozen.

DIVIDEND ON MINING SHARES. Boston, May 27.—Calumet and Arizona Mining Company declared dividend of 50 cents a share. The previous dividend of 50 cents was paid March 22 last.

SESSION OF THE COURT OF KING'S BENCH (Crown Side), holding criminal jurisdiction in and for the DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, will be held in the COURT HOUSE, in the CITY OF MONTREAL, on Tuesday, the FIRST DAY OF JUNE NEXT, at TEN O'CLOCK in the forenoon.

In consequence, I give PUBLIC NOTICES to all who intend to proceed against any prisoners now in the Common Goal of the said District, and all others, that they must be present then and there, and I also give notice to all Justices of the Peace, Coroners and Peace Officers, in and for the said District, that they must be present then and there, with their Records, Rolls, Indictments, and other Documents, in order to do those things which belong to them in their respective capacities.

L. J. LEMIEUX, Sheriff. Sheriffs Office, Montreal, 14th May, 1915.

RITZ-CARLTON HOTEL. Special Winter Apartment Rates: Luncheon, \$1.25, Dinner, \$1.50 or a la carte. Balls, Banquets, Dinners, Wedding Receptions, Lectures, Concerts and Recitals, Solicited. Suppers from 9 to 12 p.m. Music by Lignante's Celebrated Orchestra.

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