

REPORTS OF LAND FIGHTING SHOW ADVANTAGES FOR THE ALLES

SUCCESSFUL MANOEUVRE OF RUSSIANS NEAR LODZ

Germans, Losing 10,000 In One Attack, Feared to Advance Again and Czar's Men Withdrew From Positions Around the Town Without Losing a Soldier In the Movement—Serbia Reports Victory With Recapture of Two Towns.

Petrograd, Dec. 9.—A semi-official statement says: "The German official communication says that the Russians met with enormous losses in evacuating Lodz. The confidence that should be placed in this communication is evidenced by the fact that the Russian troops withdrew from Lodz about midnight on December 6, while the Germans remained motionless for fifteen hours in front of our empty trenches, the attack of which had cost them more than 10,000 soldiers, and upon which they dared not advance. "Only at three o'clock in the afternoon of December 6, did the Germans move forward to verify that there was nobody in the trenches facing them. They entered the town. "In changing our positions in the region of Lodz we did not lose a soldier. We undertook this manoeuvre only after we had ascertained that the Germans had definitely decided not to continue their attacks in the district. "Our manoeuvre was entirely independent of any aggressive action on the part of the enemy."

Serbia Wins Victory and Recaptures Two Towns

Rome via London, Dec. 10.—The Serbian legation makes public a report from Serbian headquarters to the effect that the Serbian army has won a complete victory, resulting in the re-capture of the towns of Ushizza, in Serbia, and the rout of two Austrian corps. The Austrians, says the report, abandoned everything, even their treasure chest. The Serbians took twenty thousand prisoners, fifty cannons and large quantities of rifles, machine guns and munitions of every description. Petrograd, Dec. 9.—The German attacks on Loecz, to the west of War-

SERBIA IN THE FIGHT TO THE END

New Cabinet Makes Announcement—Crushing Offensive Movement Against Austrians Successful Along Entire Front.

Paris, Dec. 9.—A despatch to the Havas Agency from Nish, Serbia, says "The crushing offensive movement of the Serbian army has been successful along the entire front. The Austrians are retiring in the greatest disorder, losing a large number of prisoners and cannon and war material. "At one point alone the Serbians took 2,000 prisoners, and the hand and the flag of the 22nd Regiment."

Serbia to Fight to the Finish

Paris, Dec. 9.—Telegraphing from Nish, Serbia, the correspondent of the Havas Agency transmits an abstract of the declaration of the new Serbian cabinet read before the Serbian legislature today as follows: "Convinced that the entire Serbian people has resolved to defend their homes and their liberty to the end, by a holy war, the Royal government feels it to be its duty to give assurance of the emancipation and the union of all our brothers deprived of their liberty by the Croations or Slavordans. "The marvellous success which will crown this struggle will more than repay the tremendous sacrifices involved. In this war Serbia has no choice and the struggle will continue to be waged with unshakable courage. "As the enemy still remains on Serbian territory the government cries to the people: "Forward, with God's aid, against the enemy."

The reading of this declaration was interrupted many times by enthusiastic outbursts from the assembled legislature. "The message said a division of warships, which the commander believed to have been either English or Japanese, aggregating five ironclads and one transport, on the morning of December 6, sank one of the German cruisers in the roadstead of Pletion Island. The other two steamers were sent to the bottom the same evening, outside the harbor of Pantalon, near Cape Sango. "One steamer belonged to the German Cosmos line. The ownership of the two others was not stated, but the commander of the Buena reported that one of them had a yellow funnel with a black ring around it. "Santiago, Chile, Dec. 9.—The reports received here of the sinking of the German cruisers Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Leipzig by British warships off the Falkland Islands say that two other German cruisers engaged in the battle were badly damaged.

HOW ENGLAND IS MAKING READY TO RECEIVE INVADER

A WITNESS TO GERMAN ATROCITIES

London, Nov. 27. (Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—Notwithstanding the conclusions formed by the imperial committee of defence some years ago that an invasion of England would be an impossibility while the British fleet remains in being, invasion by Germans is now considered a distinct possibility. Both the government and the inhabitants of the seacoast counties are preparing actively to meet any landing of hostile troops. The military preparation has been conducted on a large scale since the beginning of the war. The home army, which is commanded by General Sir Ian Hamilton, who carries a broken wrist as a souvenir of the Boer war, has for its special function the repelling of an invasion. This army consists mainly of Territorials, of which there are some 400,000 now under arms in the United Kingdom, and a part of the so-called Kitchener's army undoubtedly would be employed in case of need, as well as any Canadian and other colonial troops who might be in the country. "How efficient is the military preparation? "The Territorials were organized by Lord Haldane when he was minister of war, and under the terms of their enlistment cannot be ordered abroad, although many of the regiments have volunteered for foreign service, and several are on the continent under Gen. French. "Military experts consider it wholly possible that the Germans may make a desperate excursion upon the British coast, even with the expectation of losing a large proportion of their men, for the moral effect of the presence of an invader would have in throwing the population into a panic and preventing the War Office from sending troops to reinforce the fighting line in France. "It is thought the Germans might attempt to land two or three contingents at widely separated points, for the purpose of dividing the British defence army, and might send their smaller expedition in advance of the main one to create a diversion. The commander of the British army, last Sunday, according to advices just received here. "The information was contained in a wireless despatch to the Ministry of Marine, from the commander of the Argentine war transport Piedra Buena. "The message said a division of warships, which the commander believed to have been either English or Japanese, aggregating five ironclads and one transport, on the morning of December 6, sank one of the German cruisers in the roadstead of Pletion Island. The other two steamers were sent to the bottom the same evening, outside the harbor of Pantalon, near Cape Sango. "One steamer belonged to the German Cosmos line. The ownership of the two others was not stated, but the commander of the Buena reported that one of them had a yellow funnel with a black ring around it. "Santiago, Chile, Dec. 9.—The reports received here of the sinking of the German cruisers Scharnhorst, Gneisenau and Leipzig by British warships off the Falkland Islands say that two other German cruisers engaged in the battle were badly damaged.

THREE GERMAN MERCHANTMEN WERE SUNK

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PUBLIC FESTIVITIES TO BE POSTPONED UNTIL WAR IS OVER

Executive of Canadian Peace Centenary Association and Delegates From New York in Conference at Ottawa Yesterday.

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught, was present this afternoon at a meeting of the executive of the Canadian Peace Centenary Association, which was also attended by eight members of the commission appointed by the State of New York for the purpose of arranging a suitable celebration between the Province of Ontario and the State of New York of the one hundred years of peace. His Royal Highness expressed the hope that the arrangements for the proposed celebrations, and in view of the war in Europe, considerable modifications were decided upon. It was agreed that the holding of public festivities, rejoicings, etc., be postponed until after the war, but that, so far as plans having reference to churches, schools, colleges, and universities in the United States and Canada, the celebrations should be carried out. Mr. W. C. Relek, editor of the New York Sun, said that the movement was most popular in the United States and he felt his countrymen would cooperate most heartily with Canada in any celebration which might be arranged. A private dinner was given the commission from New York tonight, at which Sir Geo. Foster, Minister of Trade and Commerce, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, ex-premier, delivered addresses. The delegation left tonight for Toronto, where tomorrow they will be entertained by the government of Ontario.

I.C.R. HAS HAULED 500 CARLOADS OF SUPPLIES FOR BELGIANS

Ottawa, Dec. 9.—Navigation on the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence is now practically closed. One lone light-keeper is still on duty at Lake Superior. He is on Parisis Island near Sault Ste Marie and will be taken off within a day or two. The wireless stations below Quebec are all out of commission for the winter, except those at Belleisle and Point Amour on the lower Labrador coast. These stations operate all winter for the benefit of the Newfoundland fishermen. Mr. F. P. Gutelius, general manager of the I. C. R., states that the government road has handled over 500 carloads of supplies of all kinds for the relief of the Belgians. They are carried to the seaports free of charge. While business on the I. C. R. was not as good as at this time last year, he added that there was a good deal of lumber moving from Quebec and the Maritime Provinces to the New England States and he also looked for a good share of the traffic from St. John and Halifax this winter. The new docks would help to draw more shipping.

RECORDS BROKEN AT WINTER FAIR

Amherst, N. S., Dec. 9.—The attendance at the third day of the Winter Fair exceeded all previous days. Judging is progressing in all departments. The judges express surprise at the excellent quality and magnitude of the exhibits in the dairy tests. There were one hundred cows. All records, both in regard to entries and individual performances in Canada have been broken at this winter fair. The Holstein cow, Miss L. E. Honda, owned and raised by Samuel Dickie and Sons, Lower Onslow, N. B., produced 27 3/8 pounds of milk, 10.51 pounds of butter fat, and 22.34 pounds of solids not fat in the three days test, making a store of 332.57, beating the record by about sixteen pounds. A pleasing feature of this test is that this cow is purely maritime bred. The evening session was largely attended, and was presided over by A. E. Tritts, the speakers were: R. Newton, director agricultural schools, Woodstock, whose subject was Business Farming. He said that successful farming depended upon the production, marketing and a proper system of bookkeeping. Rev. Dr. P. C. Gauthier, St. Louis, P. E. I., emphasized the advantages of co-operation and organization giving illustrations of results E. S. Archibald, Dominion animal husbandman, Ottawa, gave an excellent account of the work being done along the lines of animal husbandry, at the Dominion government experimental station. L. H. Newman, secretary of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association, on the propagation and selection of pure seeds. He stated that crop values depended upon the quality seeds sown. Prof. W. S. Blair, director of horticultural station, Kentville, spoke briefly. Tomorrow's programme which includes the presentation of prizes in the evening promises to be one of the most interesting of the week.

PRINCE OF WALES NOW LIEUTENANT

London, Dec. 10.—The Prince of Wales, second Lieutenant Grenadier Guards, has been promoted to a full Lieutenant. This announcement is made in the list of army promotions published tonight.

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EDDIE COLLINS SOLD

Chicago, Dec. 9.—Eddie Collins, second baseman, was bought from the Philadelphia club of the American League by President Comiskey of the Chicago club, in a strictly cash transaction, it developed tonight, after Comiskey returned from New York. He said the deal involved at least \$110,000, including Collins' salary for five years. Of this \$50,000 is given as the purchase price.

London, Dec. 9.—Great Britain has announced officially that Egyptian cotton may be exported to neutral countries, without any restrictions concerning its re-exportation.

RECRUITS WANTED

To see some of the best things in Filmdom.

Our Mutual Girl

Trouble arises over Baby Lily, and Margaret meets with another adventure.

PRINCESS PLAYERS

In pretty photo-play

"The Keeper of the Light"

KEYSTONE makes merry in the absurd rib-tickler

"SUCH A COOK"

FRIDAY

"The Saving Flame"

—MAJESTIC

UNIQUE

Opening of New Docks

West St. John
Thursday, December 10th
3.30 o'clock

Hon. J. D. Hazen, Hon. Robt. Rogers and Sir Thomas Shaughnessey

The citizens of St. John are invited to attend and participate in the ceremonies which will mark the completion of one of the most extensive Harbour Improvement Works yet undertaken in Canada.

A FREE SPECIAL TRAIN has been provided by the Maritime Dredging and Construction Co., running direct to the wharves. Leaving I. C. R. Station at 2.30 p. m. Returning at 4.30 p. m.

ADVENTURE OF THE DUCHESS OF SUDBURY

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The adventures of a went out to Belgium at ambulance make interesting when they have been are so well narrated at the War," by Millicent Sutherland, a booklet has been published.

The Duchess saw more of the horrors of war than she herself performed the set herself with the help of doctor, nurses and ers. She was at Namur bombardment, and at Maubeuge during the G. tion.

The Duchess installed at Namur, in the Co. Soeurs de Notre Dame, and Belgian and French Here is a dramatic ex-dy of the bombardment of Namur, August 23, 1914, during the great bombardment. The shells sang over the deep-booming German long singing across the sky, and what seems to throw away. The man extreme emotion the mad with terror. I do not know after that. He has a bullet in his is not serious. He is er of speech, but I believe an example of what I and what I have never dying of sheer fright." glimpses of the German Namur. "Now the Ger fairly marching in, and ing as they march. T. erfully—in parts as I for the singing. * * * Fine, well-set up men in tramp, tramp, tramp infantry in the street of command, their p. threatened songs. At young German count, badge, called at the German count adopt "gadgets" of men. paid compliments to he seemed thoroughly himself." After the the ring of the town, perturbation English she frankly admits t strain of the situation. "a perfect blank," feeling as though she living some book of as I had read in my y Her official facility, Paris her. The Gen. the convent. Outside motor car full of sol officer who was so I Prince that he might the Citadel was past Ville. He said he did that way, for it was der. He looked at me to go with him and sh way. But I stood my I was a stranger and an, and had never been

Old Duke Cleanse