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Belgians and British Capture Two Towns

English Forces Aid King Albert's Men in Hard Fight—French Report of Yesterday's Fighting

Amsterdam, Feb. 9.—The Belgian towns of Passchendaele and Langemarck have been captured by the allies, according to a despatch received here from Brussels, early today.

FRENCH SUMMARY.

Paris, Feb. 9.—The French war office reports:— "In Belgium yesterday there were intermittent artillery exchanges, and Ypres and Furnes were bombarded. The Belgian artillery destroyed a farm the defenders of which fled.

"On the road between Bethune and Labasse, we yesterday recaptured a mill where the enemy had been installing himself.

"Soissons was bombarded with projectiles the purpose of which was to set the city on fire. On all the Aisne front and in Champagne our artillery effectively engaged the batteries of the Germans.

"In the Argonne the fighting which developed around Bagatelle continued yesterday in one of the most dense parts of the forest, and consequently became quite confused. Each side, generally speaking, was successful in maintaining its lines.

"The men engaged in this fight on February 7, did not exceed three or four battalions on each side. During yesterday only one French battalion was engaged.

"In Lorraine and in the Vosges yesterday saw artillery engagements."

C. T. WHITE DEAD P. E. ISLAND RHODES SCHOLAR FIGHTING IN WESTERN AFRICA

Very Prominent in Lumbering and Mill Business HAD REACHED AGE OF 76

Owner of Extensive Tracts in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia—Funeral at Sussex on Thursday

Sussex, Feb. 9.—Death this morning claimed one of the oldest and best known and highly respected residents of Sussex, the person of Charles T. White, son of the late Vincent Samuel and Mary Dykeman White of Belleisle.

Mr. White was three married. His first wife was Miss Hatfield by whom he leaves four children, Mrs. Leonard Boston, Mrs. A. L. Price of New York, S. H. White and G. Harley White of Sussex. His second wife was Miss Davis by whom he leaves one son, Mr. Garfield White, who was associated with his father in business.

Mr. White was a prominent lumber operator, having vast forests of lumber in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. A few years ago he took his son, Garfield, into partnership with him and the firm is known as Chas. T. White and Son.

His funeral will be held on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock at his late residence, 130 Avenue Baptist church has lost one of its strongest pillars. The funeral will be held from his home on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

MARRIED AT WHITEHEAD. A home wedding took place on Thursday, Feb. 4, at the home of Thomas Edwards of Whitehead, King county, when his only daughter, Saguna Lillian, was given in marriage to Frank S. White, son of John White, of White's Mills. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. Gordon Lawrence, rector of Kingston, and was witnessed by immediate relatives. The bride was becomingly attired in a gown of blue silk and was given away by her father. Mr. and Mrs. White are receiving congratulations from a host of relatives and friends.

COMMON COUNCIL. The common council will meet this afternoon for their weekly session.

Phelix and Ferdinand WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stuart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis.—The disturbance which was over the maritime provinces yesterday morning has moved to the Straits of Belle Isle and fair weather now prevails throughout the dominion, with moderately low temperature in Ontario and Manitoba.

Colder. Maritime—Fresh west and northwest winds, fair and colder tonight and Wednesday.

When Italy Goes To War



The sea fort at Ragusa, Austria-Hungary's "City of Roses," where thousands of tourists have visited yearly. Ragusa is a fortified port in Dalmatia on the Adriatic sea, and will surely be the point of a naval attack if Italy goes to war.

SENSATIONAL TALE COMES FROM NEW YORK

German Spies Were On Lusitania; Now In England

A MOVE AGAINST HALIFAX? Parliament Session Short—Liberals Assume There Will Be No Election Till War is Over

Activity of Dynamite Horn Said to Add to Belief That Such is Planned—Able to Get News of 300,000 Guns by Germans in States

New York, Feb. 9.—The New York Herald prints the following: Among the "inner circles" of the Germans in New York, there has been some "rumor" over the "safe" arrival of the Lusitania, as it is alleged that over any other wartime event since the German fleet's victory off Cornwall.

Mr. Warburton was assigned to a station at Ibi in northern Nigeria, close to the city of Lagos. He served at first as private secretary to the resident, who had charge of war matters. Other British officers were there, and the whole force at first consisted of twelve whites and twenty native police-men, who were afterwards reinforced with 110 men with a Maxim.

On October 2 Mr. Warburton was ordered to return from Ibi with ten blacks to reinforce the officer in charge at Mutum. The Germans having crossed the frontier near there, he was reinforced with 110 men with a Maxim.

When the war started his business suffered greatly, and he abandoned it, so that he might devote himself to the service of his fatherland. The seven years he spent in the lower part of the Lusitania were not without any trouble from the British authorities. He was connected with the German intelligence bureau, because it is likely to result in the fact that the right had reached England in safety.

The Kaiser's edict that neutral vessels in the North Sea may be sunk has caused great indignation and dismay among the men in the local intelligence bureau, because it is likely to result in delay in sending information to Germany from this country. If neutral ships are withdrawn from the service between New York and European ports, it will mean that there will be great delay in keeping Berlin informed on important matters gleaned by the Kaiser's agents, who have their headquarters in an office building in Lower Broadway.

A Leak at Halifax. The British intelligence bureau in this city has been much chagrined recently, it was learned yesterday, that the German agents in Halifax are able, apparently without the use of the telegraph or cable lines to this city, to deliver important information concerning Halifax troop movements with more expedition than the British agents. It is confidently believed that the Germans are arranging for some kind of a move to be made against Halifax.

For several months the British agents in this city have been working hard to discover the whereabouts of about 300,000 rifles from a South American country by the New York agents of the German government. This large purchase of guns and ammunition is believed by British agents to have come to this country and to be stored somewhere not far from this port.

Just why Germany should buy such a large number of guns which it will be impossible to send to Germany, so long as Great Britain retains control of the sea, is a mystery, but it is believed that the purchase was made for the sole purpose of preventing the supply from falling into the hands of the allies, who at the time of the purchase were in greater need of rifles and cartridges than Germany.

The suspicion that such a store of rifles is in the possession of Germans in this country has had much to do, it was said yesterday, with the uneasiness along the Canadian border where, for the last three months, there has been constant preparations against an invasion from the American side.

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Russians Fight The Germans to Standstill

Still Have Difficult Task Ahead After Crossing Bzura—Another Attempt on Warsaw—Women Fight in Trenches

London, Feb. 9.—The Daily Mail's correspondent in Petrograd telegraphs:— "The Russians have fought the Germans to a standstill but their force, which crossed the Bzura has a difficult task before it. The German second line defenses in this quarter are of immense strength. The Kaiser's arrival in Poland suggests that the Germans intend to make a final attempt to capture Warsaw in his honor."

The Times' correspondent in Petrograd says:— "It is thought in authoritative circles that the fresh fall on the Bzura may be due to the withdrawal of a part of the German troops from the Bzura and the Rawka in order to reinforce the Carpathians. The retirement of Russian sections in Bukovina is not regarded here as an indication of failure, but rather as a manoeuvre directed by a desire to occupy a more advantageous position—for instance to fall back to the plains in order to facilitate the deployment of the Russians. During the operations in the mountain regions it often happens that positions adapted for artillery are unsuitable for the assumption of an active movement."

WOMEN FIGHT IN GERMAN TRENCHES. Petrograd, Feb. 9.—The engagements are growing in intensity at the two extremities of the eastern battlefield in East Prussia as well as in the Carpathians, according to information reaching Petrograd today. The same news sets forth that Warsaw front the battle has subsided.

The fighting line from the province of Plock in Russian Poland, as far north as Tilsit, in East Prussia, is virtually continuous. The Germans today apparently are taking the offensive from Gumbinnen and the Masurian Lakes, as far south as Lippa, in Poland, on the right bank of the Vistula.

A despatch reaching here from Warsaw, says that among the prisoners taken by the Russians in the fighting at the junction of the Bzura River, were some German women. According to this message some of these women were found with rifles in their hands, in the first line of trenches.

GERMAN LOSSES 27,000. Petrograd, Feb. 9.—German losses in the battle of Borzhom are estimated at 27,000 men. Of these at least 15,000 were killed. The Germans attempted to cut their way through the Russian lines to approach Warsaw.

The correspondent reports a full in the fighting, with the Russians holding to the positions they won at Kamion by a flank attack and the Germans maintaining their front west of Borzhom.

ORDERS TO RECRUIT RIFLES AND INFANTRY

Active recruiting for the 6th Canadian Mounted Rifles will be begun immediately from headquarters at Halifax today from headquarters at Halifax today.

Major Markham today received from the appointment of the officers who will command the 26th Battalion of Infantry. The officers are: Lieut. G. N. D. O'Leary, Lieut. R. Barnes, Lieut. R. March, Lieut. R. March, Lieut. R. March.

It is not announced just where the 26th Battalion will be mobilized. The mobilization point will be Amherst. The 26th Battalion will be mobilized at Amherst.

For the Infantry. While orders were received today to proceed with the recruiting of the 26th Battalion of Infantry, instructions also came to Lieut. Col. B. R. Armstrong to recruit for the infantry battalion to be raised under Lieut. Col. Kirkpatrick of Woodstock as a part of the third expeditionary force. Active recruiting for this unit was begun in other parts of the province today and Col. Armstrong will sign on men from 11:30 a. m. tomorrow at the armory. There is as yet no word of officers for this battalion aside from the commander.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

Transfers of real estate recorded this week in St. John included:— Gertrude E. J. Porter to Calvin Marney, property in Simonds.

W. A. Quinton to Holcombe Ingelby, property in Lancaster.

Transfers in Kings included:— H. M. Akery to R. H. M. Higgins, property at Westfield.

Saul Cogan to L. M. Fairweather, property in Hampton.

J. L. Coleman to F. A. Flewelling, property at Westfield.

C. M. Fowler to Janet Fowler, property in Sussex.

S. M. Freese to Patrick Melton, Jr., property in Gardwilt.

H. H. Freese to Jeremiah Murphy, property in Norton.

A. W. Hicks to L. M. Fairweather, property in Norton.

John Kelly to Patrick Melton, property in Gardwilt.

Jeremiah Murphy to F. E. Freese, property in Norton.

G. M. Uphan to C. F. Uphan, property in Gardwilt, \$1,700.

I. L. & B. ASSEMBLY. The members of the I. L. & B. Society last evening conducted an enjoyable assembly in their rooms in Union street with many present.

An attractive programme of dances was carried out with music supplied by the McQuade-Bridge orchestra. Refreshments were served about midnight. The chaperons were Mesdames R. E. Fitzgerald, F. J. Casey, John Daley, William Ward, Edward Pratt and Willard Howes. F. J. Casey was floor director.

THE HARBOUR FISHERIES

Sale Completed Today—Total Below Last Year's. The sale of the harbor fishery lots was completed this morning when the last of the lots offered were disposed of. The sale was continued in the committee room at city hall by Auctioneer R. F. Potts with several of the commission the city chamberlain and his clerk present. The sales were as follows:

Navy Island— 1 and 7 W. A. Spence . . . . . \$ 20.00 9 L. Silliphant . . . . . 50.00 8 and 9 R. Irvine . . . . . 5.50 Carleton Shore— 7, J. McCollum . . . . . 201.00 8 and 9 R. Irvine . . . . . 16.00 This makes the total receipts for this year \$1,802.20 as compared with \$2,139.35 in 1914.

An official despatch from Cairo says that there are no Turkish forces within twenty miles of the Suez Canal.

THE BUDGET ON THURSDAY

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MORE MEN HERE FROM THE CHARYBDIS TODAY

The Royal Main Steam Packet Charybdis arrived in port this morning from the West Indies and Bermuda with four hundred and thirty passengers. The majority were officers and sailors from the British cruiser Charybdis, which was damaged recently with the freighter Bay-Lieut. L. F. Price, Havelock, Lieut. N. off Sandy Hook. The men said that the cruiser was still at Bermuda, badly battered and that no attempt was being made to repair her. They had pictures made to repair her. They had pictures made to repair her.

WILFRED TAYLOR TIPS KETTLE OVER

Wilfred Taylor, aged three years, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Taylor, who reside at Courtney Bay, was perhaps fatally scalded this morning when he tipped a kettle of boiling water over himself. He was playing about the kitchen and while passing the stove struck the kettle containing boiling water. It tipped over and the contents poured over his head, shoulders and back. He was rushed to the hospital in an automobile loaded by a friend and everything possible was done to ease his sufferings. Little hopes are held out for his recovery.

PERFECTLY IN ORDER, SAYS NOTED BRITISH LAWYER

Matter of Flying Neutral Flag as Did The Lusitania. London, Feb. 9.—On the legality of the use of a neutral flag by merchant vessels of a belligerent power in international waters, a noted British lawyer has said today that it is perfectly in order, and that the foreign office statement points out, as a thoroughly well established practice.

ST. JOHN BOWLERS WIN ONE AND LOSE ONE AT BORDER

The Wanderers of the City Bowling League arrived home from Calais and St. Stephen this morning where they played a double header, one against the Thistles of St. Stephen, and the other in Calais against the St. Croix club's star quintette. In the former match they were victorious by 1239 to 1265. They lost to Calais by 1288 to 1215. Following the match game they were banqueted by their hosts and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

THE WHEAT MARKET

Chicago, Feb. 9.—After opening 8-8 7-8 up, the market here scored a moderate additional gain.

RETREAT CLOSED

The retreat which was conducted for the Sisters of the Monastery of the Good Shepherd was brought to a close last night with benediction at 5.30 by Rev. Father Cox, S. J., as high priest, by Rev. William Duke, as deacon, and Rev. M. P. Howland as sub-deacon. The sisters and children took part in the musical part of the service. The retreat was conducted by Rev. Father Cox.

RAILWAY COMMISSION WAS KEPT AT WORK

Ottawa, Feb. 9.—The Dominion Railway Commission, during the fiscal year ended March 31 last, received 961 complaints and heard 702 applications at public meetings. The report of the commission fills three big volumes of typewritten sheets.