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## CZAR'S TROOPS ON OFFENSIVE ALL ALONG LINE FROM BALTIC TO ROUMANIAN BORDER

### "CABLE BLOCKADE" IS ANNOUNCED BY BRITAIN

Messages Relating to Transaction in Which Resident of Germany, Austria or Turkey is Interested Cannot be Sent From United States to Neutral Country Over Cables Controlled by British.

Washington, April 2.—Great Britain's intention of stopping all messages sent over cable under British control relating to trade in contraband or non-contraband "to which a resident in any enemy country is one of the parties," has been communicated to the United States government through Ambassador Page at London.

A memorandum given to Mr. Page, and cabled by him to the State Department today, contained first formal announcement of Great Britain's cable censorship policy since the early days of the war, when neutral nations were reminded of the right of the British government to stop all communications over the cables it controlled. At that time it was announced that in order to minimize inconvenience to the public, messages in plain English or French would be accepted for transmission, subject to censorship.

Under the latest notice, officials here understand that, in line with the Allies' blockade program, messages cannot be sent from the United States to Italy or any other neutral country if they refer in any way to a transaction in which a resident of Germany, Austria or Turkey is interested. The memorandum, after quoting the original notice of Great Britain's rights over her cables, given through the International Bureau at Bern, said:

"The necessity for control of cables in its relation to matters which may be described generally as being of a purely naval or military nature is obvious and needs no demonstration. In addition to this it is clear, in view of the great importance of restricting the enemies' supplies, and withholding facilities from them for carrying on their trade, His Majesty's government cannot be expected to afford the use of British cables to enable neutral and enemy countries to make arrangements with each other for the conduct of that trade, and the principle upon which the censorship of commercial telegrams is conducted is to withhold, so far as British cables are concerned, all facilities for carrying on trade directly or indirectly with an enemy country.

"Accordingly all cables are liable to be stopped, which show clear evidence, either by the text of the telegram, or by the known facts as to the sender or addressee, that they refer to a transaction, whether in contraband or non-contraband, to which a resident in an enemy country is one of the parties.

"This principle it will be observed, is applied impartially to British, allied or neutral subjects who endeavor to trade with the enemy through the medium of British cables."

### Russians Hammering at Enemy's Lines and Gradually Forcing Them Back --- Concentrate Huge Forces on Coast of Finland to Prevent Attempt of Germans to Land Men --- Trans-Caucasia Cleared of Turks --- Very Little Fighting in West --- Another British Steamer Sunk.

London, April 2.—The Russians now are on the offensive along the whole of their front, from the Baltic Sea to the Rumanian border and in the Caucasus, and, according to a Stockholm despatch, they have concentrated an enormous number of soldiers on the coast of Finland to prevent any attempt of the Germans to land there.

All the Russian advances, according to Petrograd advices, are proceeding with success. The Russian official report issued tonight makes the claim that the Germans in North Poland are being pushed back to the East Prussian border, and that in the Carpathians between the Luptow and Uzok Passes the Russians have captured still another strongly fortified ridge, overcoming in doing so almost insurmountable difficulties, such as the scaling of steep ice-covered hills and penetrating cleverly arranged barbed wire and timber obstructions.

The Russians also have taken the offensive against the German forces in the region of Kozulowka, near the Uzok Pass, which has for so long been launching attacks against the Russian position. In that district a large number of prisoners are reported to have been captured.

Against these reports of Russian successes the Austrians make the claim that they have repulsed all the Russian attacks in the Beskid range of mountains farther east.

Transylvania Cleared of Turks.

The Russians declared they have successfully defeated an Austrian raid into Besarabia, near Chotin. Their reports say that units of the Forty Second Honved Division of the Austrian army which undertook this diversion were virtually annihilated, and that over 2,000 of the survivors were captured.

It is declared that the Turks have now been entirely cleared out of Transcaucasia, and the Russians hold the Turkish Black Sea coast as far as Arkhava.

On the western front the battles are of a scattered nature. Beyond artillery engagements the only fighting that has taken place is in the forest of Le Pretre, west of Pons-A-Mousson, where the French are trying to reach the roads leading from Mithel to Metz, and to the south of Peronne

### ALLIES HAVE FOUND WEAK SPOTS IN ENEMY'S LINE

Operations of Past Month Prove that German Front Can be Pierced—Enemy has Learned to Use His Ammunition More Sparingly.

London, April 2.—The official British observer with the French army compares in his latest report, which was issued tonight, the results achieved by the French offensive in Champagne with the object with which the operations were undertaken. The object, he says, was to keep a constant pressure on the German first line defenses in order to affect the use by the Germans of the railway from Bazancourt to Challerange and to wear down their reserves of men and ammunition.

"As regards the first object," says the report, "the pressure continued for thirty-one days, with the result that the enemy has lost the fortified area which he had been holding and continually strengthening for five months. His use of the Challerange and Bazancourt line has not been materially affected, for, although at certain points it is within range of the French guns, he can, without difficulty, continue to run the trains required for the maintenance of the corps on that part of the front and the junction at Challerange is secured.

"The using up of his reserves has

been achieved in a very marked manner. At the beginning of the operation there were some eighteen regiments in that part of the line. At its conclusion thirty-three have been identified. Fifteen that had been called up to withstand the French offensive were drawn from many parts of the German line, which indicated that the enemy has no central reserve that he can call up in case of an emergency.

Taught Enemy Lesson of Economy

"As regards ammunition. The German artillery has practiced economy, which is unusual with them. On many days they made no effort to keep down the fire of the French guns, although this meant heavy loss for their infantry in the trenches. This showed clearly that their supply of ammunition was not all that they could have wished, and an extra expenditure may well have made itself felt in the amount available on all parts of the German front.

"Two valuable lessons, therefore, (Continued on page 2)

### FRENCH CAPITAL IN SEMI-DARKNESS

For First Time Since Recent Zeppelin Raid—Residents Given Due Warning by Authorities to Prevent Alarm.

Paris, April 2.—Paris was in semi-darkness tonight for the first time since the recent visit by Zeppelin dirigible balloons. The reduced lighting in the capital and the suburbs is an experiment by the military government.

In order not to alarm the residents, a public warning was given some days ago that beginning this evening the

normal illuminations would be temporarily dispensed with. The absence of the usual glare of many street lights along the boulevards, in the vicinity of the opera and elsewhere created no difficulty for what little night traffic there is, but the tooting of the horns of automobiles making their way through the streets was more noticeable.

### INCORPORATE FOX BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION

Bill Now Before P. E. I. Legislature—Registration of Animals to Prevent Fraud, and Sworn Statement as to Pedigree.

Charlottetown, April 2.—As a result of the three months deliberation of a fox conference made up of delegates from all parts of the island a bill to incorporate the Fox Breeders Association is now before the local legislature.

This association is to keep a record of the breeding of all foxes in captivity, establish a standard of breeding, a system of registration, provide inspection to prevent fraud, exercise the oversight of the personnel and business of companies, establish a sales board and adopt other measures for advancement and protection of the industry.

Every fox owner must give evidence under oath as to pedigree of his stock. Every company must submit its prospectus for examination by the association before it is made public.

### U.S. SOLDIER KILLED IN RIOT AT COLON

Three Others Injured—Were Doing Patrol Duty in Tenderloin District.

Colon, April 2.—Corporal Langdon, of the United States coast artillery, was shot and killed, and three other American soldiers were injured, one of them seriously, in a riot here today. The soldiers were engaged in patrol duty in the tenderloin district. The shooting, which resulted in a general fight, was the outgrowth of an argument between a soldier, who is alleged to have been drinking and a Panama policeman.

Over capitalization and misrepresentation will not be permitted. In registering the highest class will be known as Island standard breed, the foundation stock to be pure silver blacks held in captivity in this province prior to June 1st, 1910. The other class registered all known as imported ranch breed provided parents and grandparents are pure silver blacks.

### PROROGATION PROBABLY END OF NEXT WEEK

Considerable Amount of Business to be Dealt With by Commons Before Session Ends.

Ottawa, April 2.—Prorogation of Parliament is not likely to take place until the end of next week, probably on Friday, although, if possible, the government will wind up business on Wednesday. There is still a considerable amount of business to put through the Commons, including all the supplementary estimates and a considerable portion of the main estimates, the Election Act amendments, the National Transcontinental Railway Act amendments and the bill to enable soldiers on active service to vote. In addition to these there will also likely be a field day on the reports of the public accounts and boots committee.

The boots committee will probably be able to wind up its investigation by Tuesday, and report to the House on Wednesday. Majority and minority reports are expected. It is doubtful if the public accounts committee will be able to conclude before prorogation all the investigations already under way. Witnesses have been summoned for Tuesday and Wednesday next, and it is the intention of the Opposition to ask, when the committee meets again on Tuesday, that more witnesses be summoned for late in the week.

### GOOD WORK BY THE CANADIAN MILITARY POLICE

Are Doing Efficient Patrol work in London.

London, April 2.—One Canadian unit which has done much strenuous work during the past few months is the Canadian Military Police. While the general behavior of the Canadians is said to be good, the police detachments keeps a vigilant patrol in the regions of the hotels, and is on the alert at all hours.

### SCHEME TO GET HELP IN CANADA FOR GERMANY

Post Office Authorities Discover Plan by Which German Sympathizers Might Aid the Fatherland.

Ottawa, April 2.—The postal authorities here have held up a number of iron finger rings addressed to German sympathizers in Canada, and at the same time have unearthed a peculiar scheme to assist the "Fatherland."

The plan is being carried out by certain German newspapers in the United States. People are asked to send in their gold rings which are said to be forwarded to Germany, ostensibly to assist the Red Cross Fund, but it is believed to help swell the Kaiser's gold reserves. In return for the gold ring the donor is sent an iron band, to be worn as a mark of devotion to his country. The rings are inscribed, in German: "To the Old Fatherland, my faith to prove I give in time of stress gold for this iron."

The scheme is understood to have been worked extensively in the United States.

### CANADIAN SOLDIERS IN THE HOSPITALS "HANKER" FOR APPLES

London, April 2.—The Duchess of Connaught Hospital at Cliveden discharged forty-eight patients yesterday, of whom six were Canadians. Lieut. Col. Gorrell, who expects another big batch shortly, says that the Canadians all hanker after apples.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald MacMaster, formerly of Montreal, visited the hospital today. The latter in addition to the cares of her own hospital in her residence, "Virginia Water," is a Red Cross visitor.

Major Astor, who provided the building for the Duchess of Connaught hospital on his Cliveden estate, has just built a recreation hall for the convalescent soldiers.

### SHOOTING OF AMERICAN

Was Shot by Sentry at Hamilton, Bermuda, Near Camp Where Germans Were Imprisoned.

Washington, April 2.—Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador, has called upon the colonial secretary at Hamilton, Bermuda, for a full report of the shooting of George B. Montgomery of Buffalo, N. Y., by a sentry at Hamilton.

The State Department had under consideration today a mailed report from William Allen, the American vice-consul, setting forth that the boat in which Mr. Montgomery was sailing was fifty yards outside of the prohibited limit when fired upon by a sentry. A non-commissioned officer and the sentry both have been ordered to appear before a court martial, the result of which has not yet been learned.

The consular report states that Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery and two other women companions were sailing for the aquarium in Bermuda, one of the places frequented by sight-seers, and had approached the shore near a detention camp for German prisoners, merely to tack about. The boatmen had ported his helm and swung away from shore when a shot was fired without warning, the report says. The bullet shattered the right foot of Mr. Montgomery. The foot had to be amputated and Mr. Montgomery is reported to be in a serious condition.

### ANOTHER P. E. ISLAND SOLDIER DEAD

Charlottetown, April 2.—Martin Delon, aged twenty-five, a native of Georgetown, who died from pneumonia in the military hospital, Halifax, is the fourth Islander to die on military duty since war began. He belonged to the artillery contingent.

### NORWEGIAN BARK FIRED BY GERMANS

London, April 3, 1.50 a. m.—The Rotterdam correspondent of the Daily Telegraph sends the following despatch relative to the sinking of the Norwegian bark Nor, which was torpedoed yesterday in the North Sea by a German submarine. The Nor's crew being landed at the Hook of Holland by the steamer Unita.

"Captain Simensen, of the Nor, states that he was signalled to stop, and was ordered aboard the submarine. He was told that his cargo, which consisted of seasoned wood, was contraband, and that he and his crew must go aboard the steamer Unita, whose cargo already had been examined and passed.

"The Unita, whose destination was Hull," says Captain Simensen, "was ordered to go to Rotterdam to land my crew. The captain of the submarine told me that my ship would be destroyed but it was still afloat when I left. I have learned since that she was set on fire by the Germans who could not easily have sunk her with shells owing to the nature of the cargo. The commander of the submarine gave no certificate to the effect that the Nor was destroyed for carrying contraband."

### WILLARD AND JOHNSON IN FINAL WORKOUT

Some of Camp Followers Say Black Champion's Pace is Slower—Wants to Fight McVey Today.

Havana, April 2.—Jack Johnson and Jess Willard trained for their championship fight on Monday between heavy down-pours of rain today. The storm and a high wind made the task unpleasant. The road work in the early morning was light, owing to the wet slippery roads. Their exercise at the afternoon exhibition was of a harder nature, particularly in the case of Willard.

Johnson worked this afternoon before a moving picture machine, deserting the regular ring for a restricted space on the floor.

Former pugilists among the late arrivals claim that Willard while physically perfect has absolutely no chance before the champion. They declare that the challenger can win only by taking unlimited punishment, outgaming and out-lasting the negro.

There is much uneasiness among members of the fight syndicate over Johnson's insistence that he will box Sam McVey six rounds on Saturday.

Some of the camp followers say they are not sure whether Johnson is in such shape as he claims. They say that while the champion is in splendid appearance, they cannot tell his actual physical condition since they have seen no test fight. They assert that

### MRS. CARMAN TO BE TRIED AGAIN FOR MURDER

District Attorney Has Found New Evidence of Important Nature—May 10 Set for Trial.

Minneapolis, N. Y., April 2.—Mrs. Florence Conklin Carman, wife of Dr. Edward Carman, of Freeport, will go on trial again, charged with the murder of Mrs. Louise Bailey, District Attorney Smith, of Nassau county, announced today that the case would be called on May 10, and that the appellate division of the Supreme Court had assigned Justice Blackmar to preside at the trial.

The District Attorney indicated today that he had discovered new evidence of a most important nature. He declined, however, to discuss this new evidence.

Arrests.

William Quinn was arrested last evening for being drunk and disorderly on Smyth street. At three o'clock yesterday morning the police arrested William Higgins on the King Square and charged him with wandering about and not giving a satisfactory account of himself.

They are sure he is slower. The battle, they believe, will go twenty rounds at least, and they express the opinion that Willard will enter the ring an even money favorite.

American fight followers are arriving on every steamer.