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Germany Stunned By Daring British Raid Made on Cuxhaven

Bombs Believed Destructive, Despite Berlin's Denial

Greatest Shock is Cruisers' Bold Passage Through Mine Fields—Belief That Britain Will Not Wait For German Ships to Come Out But Will be Destroyed in Their Own Waters

New York, Dec. 28.—A Herald cable from Amsterdam says: Telegrams received by newspapers from Germany give few details of the British aerial raid on Cuxhaven, but they all describe the amazement and confusion produced by the sudden and unexpected blow administered by the navy.

WHAT LONDON PAPERS SAY

London, Dec. 28.—The expedition to Heligoland and Schilling Road is commended on this morning. The Daily Express says: "It will not greatly encourage the Germans or lend them added confidence in their Zeppelins and submarines, so frequently advertised as a means of destroying England utterly."

ONE OF THE CHAPLAINS AT SALISBURY PLAIN DEAD

Rev. G. L. Inglis Succumbs to Spinal Meningitis, as Also Nova Scotian Soldier

Ottawa, Dec. 28.—The severe conditions at Salisbury Plain continue to produce effects on the Canadian force. Five more deaths have been reported. Anthony Addison of Hants County, N. S.; Pte. J. H. Bower of Saskatchewan and Captain the Rev. G. Inglis, of Toronto, one of the chaplains, have died of spinal meningitis. Private George Meads of No. 2 Field Ambulance has died of pneumonia.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stuart, director of meteorological service. Synopsis—Pressure is now lowest in the middle Atlantic states. Fair weather prevails over the dominion and more moderate temperature condition generally.

THE CARLETON BY-ELECTION

ROBERT L. SIMMS

Mr. Simms was chosen on Saturday as the good government candidate in the by-election in Carleton county, to oppose Flemming's man, B. Frank Smith.

BELEAGUERED BY BELGIANS

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SOLDIERS BACK TO DUTY AFTER FURLOUGH

The trains today brought soldiers back to the city from all parts of the province where they had gone to spend Christmas at their homes. This afternoon the routine of drill was resumed with each corps again up to full strength. Those who remained on duty over Christmas will be given leave of absence at New Year's but the number will not be nearly so large, as the major portion of each unit was accorded leave for the winter, but the 28th Battalion and other units are still awaiting caps and mittens.

SISTER OF FORMER MAYOR THORNE OF ST. JOHN DEAD

Ten Marriage Licenses in Capital—The Valley Railway

Fredericton, Dec. 28.—News of the death of Mrs. Margaret Sterling, widow of John Stirling, formerly of this city is received. She died in Missoula, Mont. She was a sister of H. J. Thorne, at one time mayor of St. John. Miss Ella Thorne of the Fredericton High School staff is a sister. John Black of Dawson City will return to Ottawa this evening. In the last two days ten marriage licenses were issued at the provincial secretary's office.

THE RECORDER'S POST

Now that Hon. J. B. M. Baxter's return as attorney general of the province is assured his resignation from the office of city recorder is expected. As a salary of \$8,000 a year has been attached to this position there is considerable interest in the matter. Before Mr. Baxter was appointed legislation had been secured permitting the city to appoint a city solicitor instead of a recorder, whose appointment was in the hands of the provincial government. When he took office, however, it was by appointment from the government as recorder, the appointment being approved by the common council. It is understood that, if another appointment is to be made the government will not exercise its authority but the appointment will be made by the city commissioners.

Allies Pressing On

Further Advance in Belgium and in One Place Are Close Upon The Enemy's Line of Resistance

Paris, Dec. 28.—An official statement came out at Paris this afternoon as follows: "In Belgium, we have continued to advance. To the west of Lombardeyde, we are actually at the foot of the sand dunes on which the enemy has established a line of resistance. At a point south of Ypres, we have lost a section of trenches near Hollebeke."

BRILLIANT FEAT BY BELGIANS

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SERIOUS TROUBLES THREATEN TURKEY

New York, Dec. 28.—A London Daily Express despatch from Athens to the Herald says: "There is every indication that a storm is gathering in the interior of Turkey. The police have seized thousands of proclamations in the barracks in Constantinople, calling on all true Turks to rise against the Germans and the Committee of Union and Progress in order to save Turkey, because the enemy is at her gates."

WAR NOTES

An unofficial despatch gives a rumor that a Zeppelin was brought down from Boston to New York on Sunday morning, and all its occupants killed. Experiments by British aviators have demonstrated that London is practically invisible at night, and that there could be little danger from airship attacks, except a spy given the location. The German official announcement today is that the allies' attack on Nieupoort was unsuccessful, that the Germans have captured one of the allies' trenches south of Ypres, that violent attacks north of Arras were repelled, and that they also repulsed attacks by the allied forces near Verdun and Senheim. Regarding the situation on the western front, it is said that "our attacks are developing notwithstanding unfavorable weather."

RIGHTS OF NEUTRALS

Venezuela Starts Well for Conference To Be Held in Washington. Washington, Dec. 28.—Venezuela has formally proposed to all the neutral governments of Europe and Asia, as well as the two Americas, that a conference be held in Washington to revise or supplement the rules of international law respecting the rights of neutrals in the present war. The proposal would seek not only to define the rights of neutrals in such questions as the presence of belligerent warships in close proximity to neutral shores, but would embrace the entire field of contraband, seizures and detentions, with the idea of reaching a uniform understanding to protect neutral commerce.

MOW DOWN GERMAN SHIPS BY LIGHT OF BURNING FOREST

LIQUOR LICENSES

Some Changes Are Indicated in The Applications Received

There will be several changes in the liquor licenses issued this year. Three of the present license holders are now applying and others wish to take their places, in two cases the new applications being made by members of one family. There are also two new applicants for premises new in use whose present proprietors also have made application with prospects of success. Samuel Dunham applies for the license for the premises in Garmarthen street now owned by his mother, Mrs. Margaret Dunham, who is not applying. William G. Haggerty has applied for the license for the premises, 461 Main street, now held by H. B. Tippett, who is retiring.

HELPED TO MAKE THEIR CHRISTMAS HAPPY

Donations to the 602 Patients in Provincial Hospital, Lancaster. The medical superintendent of the Provincial Hospital, Lancaster Heights, makes grateful acknowledgment of donations from the following to assist in providing Christmas cheer for the patients resident therein: Messrs. Baird & Peters; G. E. Barbour and Co., Ltd.; Barnes & Co.; J. C. Berrie; N. L. Brennan; Cass, F. Brown; E. Clinton Brown; The Carrington-Paterson Mfg. Co., Ltd.; The Christie Wood-Working Co., Ltd.; J. Clark & Son, Ltd.; S. T. Cougle; Geo. S. deForest & Sons; Emerson; Fisher, Ltd.; C. & E. Everett, Ltd.; Ganong Bros.; D. J. Hamilton; Hamm Bros.; H. G. Harrison; W. H. Hayward Co., Ltd.; Donaldson Hunt; Hutchings Co., Ltd.; McAlary & Co., Ltd.; The McAlary Mfg. Co.; Manchester Robertson Allison, Ltd.; H. H. Mott; O'Neil Bros.; C. H. Peters' Sons, Ltd.; Randolph & Bakers, Ltd.; A. F. Randolph & Sons; Ready's Breweries, Ltd.; Geo. A. Rieker; St. John Mercantile Co., Ltd.; J. & W. Shaw; Shipp & Flewelling; Slocum & Ferris; A. C. Smith & Co.; R. P. & W. F. Starr, Ltd.; W. H. Thorne & Co., Ltd.; The Union Foundry & Machine Works, Ltd.; Vassie & Co., Ltd.; Vanwart Bros.; Waterbury & Rising, Ltd.; Harvey Welton; A. R. Williams Machinery Co., Ltd.

PROBABLY A FIFTH

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 28.—The loss of four lives, and probably a fifth in a fire which trapped the occupants of the city home while they were asleep early today is established. The dead—Mrs. Mary Dunn, 75 years old; Mrs. Eliza Greenleaf, 84 years; Mrs. Schultz, 68 years, and Thomas Daniels, 84 years old. Unconscious and believed to be dying in a hospital is Mrs. Theresa Forbes, 65 years old. Many others among the 288 in the home, mostly aged men and women, suffered severely from fright and exposure, and several were partly overcome by smoke. Police, firemen and nurses assisted them down stairs, fire escape and ladders, and while the buildings were burning, they were cared for by nearby residents.

STEAMERS ARRIVE

The Donaldson liner Torr Head, Captain Harry E. Butt, arrived in port last night and docked at McLeod's wharf this morning. The steamer left Glasgow on December 12 and all the way across the Atlantic encountered strong head winds and high seas. She sustained no damage and arrived safely in port five days behind her scheduled time. She had on board a fair sized general cargo. It is the first trip of the steamer to this port, although her officers have been here before on other ships. The Delmira, Captain Lovely, 2212, arrived from Liverpool this morning. She is consigned to J. T. Knight & Co. The C. P. R. liner Cydania arrived in port this morning and docked at Sand Point. She came from Liverpool with a general cargo.

Then Terrific Bayonet Charge By The Russians

TEN THOUSAND OF ENEMY DEAD

Mild Weather Blocks German Plans in Poland and Campaign Declared to Be Practically at a Standstill Because of Miry Ground. London, Dec. 28.—The Times correspondent telegraphs from Petrograd: "Operations of the Germans on the front at Sochaczew, Rawa, on Christmas Day, slackened at all points except on the right. This looks as if they were seriously alarmed for the safety of their flank. Heavy guns, including 11-inch howitzers, have been brought up by the Germans near Sieniewicze and Rawa. Russian critics consider this attempt at intimidation a very risky one. "Describing the action near Bolkow, on the Rawa, a Novoe Vremie correspondent writes that when the Germans left the trenches to carry out a night attack the fire of a Russian artillery machine guns mounted on automobiles ignited a forest, and the German lines, sharply silhouetted against the flames, offered an easy mark and men were mowed down as if it were daylight. Russian riflemen then leaped out of their trenches, and counter-attacked with the bayonet, inflicting terrible losses. "Upward of 10,000 German bodies were collected at dawn and the survivors taken prisoners. The enemy was hurled back on their three lines of trenches. The Russians captured two battalions and eight machine guns. The prisoners taken at Bolkow were typical Prussians, tall and strong. Many were wearing the silver helmets of the Prussian Guards."

Weather Important Factor

Petrograd, via London, Dec. 28.—The belated cold spell reported in Poland, is expected to precipitate a definite result in the German Polish campaign, which is now practically at a standstill despite optimistic predictions of an impending crisis and decisive battle. The weather factor has become paramount in this theatre of war since the whole German invasion of Poland is built on the freezing of the soft miry ground. It now impedes the transport of heavy guns and favors Russian trench-digging. The ground in Poland is still in the middle of September. Thus thwarted by mild weather, the activities around Mlawa have reached a lull and after unsuccessful attempts to cross the Buzia River, the Germans are still resting on the left bank near Sochaczew. They have in the meantime shifted their attack southward toward the River Pilica near Rawa, where the ground is not marshy. The Austrian activity in the Kielce region and along the rivers Nida, Dunajec, and both sides of the upper Vistula continues.

FOR RED CROSS WORK

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EAST ST. JOHN MATTER

A special meeting of the common council is being held this afternoon to hear the supporters and opponents of the project for extending the city limits to include the East St. John and Little River districts.

Peace and quietness reigned supreme in the police court this morning, as no arrests had been made on Saturday or Sunday.

Death of Lawyer. Brockville, Ont., Dec. 28.—Oliver K. Fraser, one of Ontario's prominent lawyers, died on Sunday aged 86.