

SAYS GERMANY ANTICIPATED BLOCKADE

SWEDEN SAYS THE BLOCKADE AGAINST GERMANY FAILED BECAUSE CAME TOO LATE

Huns Storing Up Supplies Eight Months Prior — Reports of Leaks by Which Goods Getting Into Germany Through Sweden Are Bitterly Resented.

Stockholm, Sweden, Feb. 2.—(Correspondence)—The British blockade of Germany has failed because it came too late, according to the Swedish press and Swedish business men.

As far as Sweden and the other Scandinavian countries are concerned, the blockade only became really effective last April. For eight months prior to that time, or since the very start of the war, the Germans, anticipating England's tactics, were purchasing enormous quantities of military supplies, especially copper, cotton, antimony and tin, through Sweden, Denmark and Norway. Importers here are convinced that by the time the blockade was perfected Germany had stored up such quantities of these and other war materials as to meet all her needs for possibly two years.

The claims made by the British government that great quantities of war material have been smuggled into Germany through Sweden are bitterly resented by Swedish merchants. These claims, which have been given as a reason for placing all sorts of restrictions on Swedish mercantile trade, are based on statistics showing great increases in Sweden's importations from England and America. The Swedish merchants point out, however, that prior to the war, Sweden was a heavy purchaser of German goods. The war has practically paralyzed this trade, and the country has had to turn to other markets.

An opinion frequently expressed here is that as far as the Scandinavian countries are concerned, England has only succeeded in creating ill-feeling among the neutrals by her blockade, without seriously injuring Germany.

NORTH SHORE HERMIT FOUND DEAD IN CABIN

Zachariah Arbean, Aged 80, Found Dead at Moore's Brook — Bulgarian Arrested at Newcastle.

Newcastle, Feb. 24.—Zachariah Arbean, an old man of about 80, who lived alone at Moore's Brook, near Upper Blackville, and had not been seen for some time, was found dead in his cabin on Sunday by two men, Walter Mercereau and Herbert Morehouse, who drove out to look him up. He lived at least a mile from any neighbor. He had no relatives in Blackville Parish, but one brother and sister at Blissett.

Rev. L. Beaton of Blackville was operated on, on Friday, by Drs. Atherton of Fredericton and McKinnis of Chatham, for abscess on the lung. Little Evangeline Richardson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Richardson, of Blackville, died on Saturday night of pneumonia, aged 15. She leaves her parents, four brothers and two sisters.

W. L. Bonnell, of St. Stephen, has resigned the principality of Blackville Superior School, and taken a leave of absence in the 132nd Battalion.

Chief Finley arrested a Bulgarian here yesterday. He was returned to Bathurst where there are 24 of them working for McManus. This man was going to Halifax to look for work. He was ordered to register and report and assured that if a job should be offered him in Halifax and he reported the same, he would be allowed to proceed. Strict registration will be henceforth enforced. There has been no trouble with any of the foreigners.

Recent recruits here are:

Feb. 17—Elliott Strstrom, Newcastle; Thomas Stewart Allison, Boom Road, Feb. 18—Joseph Sapp, Eel Ground; Laurence Stephen Mahoney, Bartibogue Bridge; Samuel James Holt, Newcastle.

The following officers of Court Newcastle No. 93, I. O. O. F., for 1916 have been installed: C. R., Joseph H. O'Brien; V. C. R., R. A. Hutchison; P. C. R., Harry A. Gray; Fin. Sec., H. Jossamin; Treas., D. J. Gulliver; Rec. Sec., Albert Siddle.

Hugh Campbell of Blackville, has enlisted with the Canadian Grenadier Guards, and has left for St. Johns, P. Q.

Lieuts. Eric Benn and Arthur Jardine of Douglastown and F. J. Lawlor of Newcastle, have returned from Halifax.

Lieut. K. H. Love, Canadian Army Service Corps, has gone to Bathurst to open up barracks there for B Co., 132nd Battalion.

come of some kind. A great crowd gathered at the station, including the soldiers of the 132nd Battalion quartered here, with their bugle band, the students of St. Thomas' College to cheer for their old classmates, and the Citizens band. The band played several patriotic selections.

Mayor Hickey made a brief address of welcome, the crowd cheering vigorously and long after which a procession of soldiers and citizens headed by the band escorted Messrs. McCullay and Allen to their homes, the streets on either side of the line of march being crowded with enthusiastic sightseers.

Private McCullay is a son of Col. McCullay and Sergeant Allen's father is Mr. Robert Allen. Both have returned to accept a lieutenantcy in the 132nd. If Chatham needed a stimulant for recruiting it surely got it today. The recruiting office ought to do a good business for the next few days. The drummen are holding their annual dance this evening in the Town Hall.

PTE. HILL OF TAYMOUTH HOME FROM FRONT

Shot by Sniper While Bringing Rations to the Trenches.

HE COMES OF A FIGHTING FAMILY

Pte. Wilke's, Formerly of R.C.R. at Fredericton, Has Been Killed in Action.

Fredericton, Feb. 23.—Another of York County's soldier heroes has returned from the front. He is private James Hill of Taymouth, who was wounded in the knee while fighting with the 26th New Brunswick Battalion.

The wounded hero is a member of a fighting family who are more than doing their share in the war. He has had one brother killed and another one wounded, while his father has been wounded and three brothers are still fighting for the Empire in different theatres of the war.

Private Hill was wounded early in November while the 26th Battalion were near Kemmel. He was shot in the leg by a sniper while engaged in carrying rations to the trenches. After spending over two months in an English hospital he was invalided home and arrived at St. John this week. He is now on three months convalescent leave and if he recovers sufficiently will return to the front. Pte. Hill enlisted here last February with the 56th Battalion and was with that unit at Sussex, being transferred to the 26th Battalion shortly before that regiment left St. John.

The wounded hero is a son of John Hill, an English reservist, who was himself wounded in the hip while fighting with the 2nd Royal Warwickshire in France. The wound was of such a nature that the father will be unable to return to the front. Pte. Charles Hill, a brother, was a regular in the Second South Buffs and met his death at the front early in the war.

\$2,000,000 A MONTH GOING TO SOLDIERS' DEPENDENTS

Over 1-3 of Men Enlisted Are Assigning Part of Pay and Nearly Quarter Total Number Are on the List for Separation Allowance.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—The monthly payments of assigned pay or separation allowances to relatives or dependents of the men under arms now aggregates over \$2,000,000. Over ninety thousand cheques are made out each month by the branch dealing with this part of the work. Over one-third of the soldiers who have enlisted are now giving part of their pay to friends or dependents at home, and about one-quarter of the total force, representing approximately the married men, are on the list for separation allowance. It is

BOMB EXPLOSION ON A BRITISH FREIGHTER?

Str. Strathelyde Which Left Philadelphia Jan. 18 Towed Into Queenstown Badly Damaged.

New York, Feb. 23.—A news agency despatch from Queenstown, Ireland, today says:

The British freight steamship Strathelyde, 4,417 tons, was towed into Queenstown today, badly damaged. No one was allowed on the ship, but it was rumored that a bomb explosion had occurred on board.

The Strathelyde, built in 1906, was Glasgow-owned and her skipper is Capt. Watt.

The shipping register shows the vessel left Philadelphia for Manchester on Jan. 15.

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SHE DARKENED HER GRAY HAIR

A Kansas City Lady Darkened Her Gray Hair and Stimulated Its Growth by a Simple Home Process.

She Tells How She Did It.

Well-known resident of Kansas City, Mo., who darkened her gray hair by a simple home process, made the following statement: Any lady or gentleman can darken their gray or faded hair, stimulate its growth and make it soft and glossy with this simple recipe, which they can mix at home. To half pint of water add 1 oz. of bay rum, 1 small box of Orlin Compound and 1/4 oz. of glycerine. These ingredients can be purchased at any drug store at very little cost. Apply to the hair every other day until the gray hair is darkened sufficiently, then every two weeks. This mixture relieves scalp troubles and is excellent for dandruff and falling hair. It does not stain the scalp, is not sticky or greasy and does not rub off. It will make a gray haired person look 10 to 20 years younger.

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P. E. I. MAN IN KAMERUNS CAMPAIGN

Hugh Warburton in Engagement Against Germans in West Africa—Dr. Jardine Elected Mayor of Charlottetown.

Charlottetown, Feb. 23.—Dr. Jardine has been elected mayor of Summerside by acclamation.

At the annual meeting of the Provincial Dairymen's Association held here today reports showed gross value of cheese \$328,000, an increase of \$15,000 over last year, butter \$151,000 a decrease of \$13,000. The total yield of milk for butter and cheese was nearly thirty-eight million pounds, an increase of thirty-seven thousand.

There were 2,500 patrons to factories an increase of seventy.

Among speakers at meeting was W. A. McKay, superintendent of dairying for Nova Scotia.

Hugh Warburton, one of the Island's Rhodes scholars, who has been at his home here for the last six weeks, left today on return to Nigeria, West Africa to resume his work in the civil service there. An assistant commissioner while in Africa he took part in the campaign against the Germans on the Bann river between Nigeria and Kameruns.

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CHATHAM GIVES ROYAL WELCOME TO RETURNED HEROES

Ptes. McCully and Allen Back from the Front to Take Commissions in the 132nd Battalion.

Special to The Standard.

Chatham, N. B., Feb. 23.—Not since the early days of this great war, when Chatham's first volunteers left their native hearts to do and die for the Empire's cause, has such a patriotic demonstration been seen here as that which was accorded our returned heroes, Ronald Allen and Cass McCullay, today. Flags were flown from the public buildings, the stores were literally covered with them and many private residences displayed a well-

A Most Extraordinary Cure of Epileptic Fits

Mother Had Appealed to Three Doctors in Vain—Cured Four Months Ago by Use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food.

This letter from Mrs. Noxell is endorsed by Dr. H. J. Mahaffy, druggist, Port Colborne, Ont., as being true and correct. While it reports a most remarkable cure of epileptic fits by use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, it only goes to corroborate similar cures reported by others.

Mrs. Henrietta M. Noxell, R. R. No. 1, Humberstone, Ont., writes: "I cannot help writing to you, as I want you to know what a blessing Dr. Chase's Nerve Food and Kidney-Liver Pills have been to my boy. He was taken with very violent fits, would twitch all over, his eyes would turn towards his nose, his face set and his lips turn almost purple. He would clench his fists tightly, become unconscious and then go into a long sleep. After several hours he would wake up shivering and so weak he could not stand. I was afraid he would die and took him to the doctor, who pronounced his case epilepsy. As his medicine was not effective and the fits continued, I took him to another doctor at Port Hill, but his medicine seemed to make him worse.

"As the boy's nerves were in such a state that he could not sit down or lie down, and the fits continued, I took him to a third doctor, who said that

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