

YESTERDAY'S Late Messages

Russian Assault To Be Assumed

BERLIN, Jan. 11.—According to every indication the lull in the Russian attack on the Bessarabian front during the last 24 hours, is only temporary despite the enormous losses which are estimated as far exceeding fifty thousand dead or wounded. New forces are known to be moving with the purpose of reinforcing the attacking columns, and the resumption of the bitter assault of the last few days is hourly expected.

Many Caucasian groups are reported as being sent to the front. Captured Russian officers declared that the Russian visited Tremblowa, Galicia, on the evening of the offensive, with the object of giving heart to his troops, and delivered an order to break the Austrian line at all costs. The officers were assured that there were sufficient troops to accomplish this.

Turks Prevent The Jews From Leaving Palestine

PARIS, Jan. 10.—The Midi declares that only five or six thousand Jews in Palestine have applied for naturalization as Turkish citizens, notwithstanding the pressure exerted by the Ottoman Government. The Midi explains that the Turks hoped to oblige thousands of Jews, who were mostly Russian subjects, to become subjects of Turkey. It says that many Russian Jews have turned to leave Palestine, but were forbidden to do so, and will be put in concentration camps.

Correspondence of the Frankfurter Zeitung from Jerusalem, given out by the Overseas News Agency at Berlin last November said that twenty thousand Russian Jews had requested Turkish citizenship, which was granted them by the Government without the payment of the ordinary taxes.

Greeks Make More Protests

PARIS, Jan. 11.—The Greek Government is making a protest to the Entente Allies against the arrest of the Consular representatives of the Central Powers and their allies on the island of Mytilene, says the Temps' Athens correspondent.

The protest is in the same form as that made against the arrest of the Consuls at Salonika.

Weather Impedes The Progress Of British Forces

LONDON, Jan. 11.—The British force in Mesopotamia, under Gen. Aylmer, proceeding up the Tigris to the relief of Kut-el-Amara, is still halted at Sheik Said, some 20 miles from Kut-el-Amara, according to the latest advices received by the Government, but the halt is due to weather conditions, and the necessity of removing the wounded by river.

This announcement was made in the Commons this afternoon by Austen Chamberlain, Secretary for India. A British cavalry force have located the Turks six miles eastward of Kut-el-Amara, Chamberlain added. This is the position from which the Turks were originally driven by General Townshend in the battle of Kut-el-Amara.

French Official

PARIS, Jan. 11.—The French official report of this afternoon states that the German offensive, undertaken on Sunday in Champagne by at least three German divisions, was a complete failure, the Germans being driven out of all the positions which they had seized, with the exception of a small rectangle to the west of Maisons de Champagne.

The statement says the latest information received from Champagne confirms the fact that our artillery fire, our trench defences and our counter-attacks completed set at naught an important attack undertaken by the enemy, in which at least three German divisions, about sixty thousand men, took part.

Will Have Effect On Mohammedan World

ROME, Jan. 10.—As the supreme commander of the Quadruple Alliance has decided to abandon the Dardanelles enterprise, unhappily begun and more unhappily conducted, says the Tribune, we must have hope to counteract by some positive successful action.

The newspaper adds that the Allies' withdrawal from the Dardanelles causes political damage, owing to the enormous effect throughout the Mohammedan world, and military damage, since Turkish troops, defending the Dardanelles, now can be taken elsewhere.

Music and Mars

VIENNA, Jan. 10.—Freedom from military service for the duration of the war, has been granted Franz Lehr, the composer.

Austrians Force Montenegrins Back

PARIS, Jan. 11.—Austrian advances on all frontiers and evacuation by the Montenegrins of the towns of Berane, and Kouk Rhitz, are officially admitted in a statement given out to-night by the Montenegrin Consulate, the statement follows:

"The Austrian offensive was pushed furiously on all fronts, the Montenegrins evacuated Berane, and have fallen back on the left flank of the River Lim, the Austrians occupied Kouk Rhitz, on the Loviene, after a gas attack."

Trouble in China

LONDON, Jan. 11.—Reuter's Hong Kong correspondent sends word that on Jan. 5th a band of revolutionists attacked and looted another Custom House at Kacheung, near Yintin.

A reported from Hong Kong, last Saturday, told of a raid by about 100 revolutionists on the Custom House at Yintin, a town about five miles from Shatokok. At that time the foreigners began to leave Yintin and they arrived safely at Hong Kong.

Bulgarian Official

PARIS, Jan. 11.—The official statement issued by the Belgian War Office to-night says, there have been vigorous artillery engagements today, especially in the section of Dixmude in that part of the Belgian front, more to the south.

Promotion For Popular Officer

It affords us much pleasure today to heartily congratulate the parents and friends of Lieut. Quartermaster M. F. Summers on his promotion in the Newfoundland Regiment to the position of Honorary Captain. The promotion we learn is of an unusual character for under ordinary conditions it could not have been earned without 10 years of service. It was awarded to Lieut. Summers owing to the efficiency and ability exercised by him in difficult and trying circumstances while in action and speaks well for the bravery he displayed in face of the enemy. The young Captain is a son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Summers, Water Street West, and a popular officer of the C.C.C.

Another "Page" In the Correspondence Book

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Ambassador Page, at London, to-day advised the State Department that he had delivered to the British Foreign Office the American Note regarding detention and censoring by British authorities of mail from the United States to European countries. The text of the communication will not probably be given out until arrangements have been made for its publication simultaneously in this country and Great Britain.

It is understood that the Entente Powers are acting in conformity with policy in regard to treatment of mails on the high seas, and it is consequently inferred that the British Government will confer with the French, Russian and Italian Foreign Offices before making an answer to the American protest.

Others Escaped A Similar Fate

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Ambassador Gerard, at Berlin, has been authorized by Secretary Lansing to investigate the unofficial charges against American Consul Edward Higgins, at Stuttgart, alleging he is pro-British and objectionable to the German Government.

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Documents Seized Disclose Treachery

PARIS, Jan. 12.—Numerous extracts from documents seized in Salonika when the Consuls of the Teutonic Allies were arrested there recently, were printed in this morning's papers. Among the papers, according to published statement, were copies of daily reports telegraphed to Vienna by the Austrian Consul-General, giving numbers and description of Allied troops that were landing at Salonika; reports of spies on the movements of the Allied forces into the interior; records of payments of spies and local newspaper's system of espionage, of which account state also were extended to Greece. Among published papers there are what purport to be copies of reports made by agents at Greek military centres by Port officials. "Good friend of Germany can be trusted" is a sentence printed as being taken from one of the reports made regarding a certain Prefect while a certain officer was classed a doubtful one.

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The Prospero left Westport, coming this way at 8.10 this a.m. and is due here Saturday.

Others Escaped A Similar Fate

By the Susu to-day we get confirmation of the drowning accident to which we referred exclusively a few days ago. It seems that Mrs. Darius Harvey of Valleyfield, B.B., who was up with her husband and friends who are logging, left Indian Bay to cross the ice to go to a shop opposite to make some purchases. It was Christmas Day and the woman wanted to go and return quickly. Another man with a child accompanied her. The ice in places was very thin and in one spot Mrs. Harvey went through and was quickly carried by the current under the ice and was seen no more. The other woman and the child also went through and after battling some time for life managed to beat their way through to shoal water and crept ashore and exhausted from their terrible experience. They were found and looked after by friends. Two other women who were about to accompany Mrs. Harvey across the Bay did not like the appearance of the ice and returned home.

The S.S. Bloodhound, which came off the dry dock yesterday, is now in fine trim, having received a new propeller and shaft, while the hull needed thorough repairs. It is rumoured that Capt. Randell will command her at the seal fishery.

NOTICE

THE First Annual Convention of the Conception Bay District Council of the F.P.U. will be held at BAY ROBERTS on MONDAY, the 18th instant. The Convention will open at 4 p.m. at the F.P.U. Hall. All Officers of District Councils and Local Councils of the F.P.U. in the Districts of Harbor Main, Port-de-Grave, Harbor Grace, Carbonear and Bay-de-Verde are members of the Conception Bay District Council and should be present at the Convention. Any such Council through its Delegates, may by resolution bring any matter before the Convention. A Permanent Official, to attend to Union matters in Conception Bay will be selected.

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