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Canadians Lost Only Eight In Latest Fight With Huns

**Worked a Clever Ruse on the Enemy With Great Success---
The Fighting Was a Hand to Hand---The Enemy Left
Hundreds of Dead in the Trenches.**

OTTAWA, Feb. 18.—While no details have been received regarding Canadians successfully repulsing the German attack on their lines, further advices which came to the Militia Department today confirm the report of yesterday.

The battle began with a severe artillery fire, in the face of which the Canadians temporarily evacuated the front line trenches. They took to their dug-outs for the time, quietly awaiting the invasion of their trenches by the enemy.

Elated by the supposed evacuation of the Canadian defences, the Huns rushed forward and occupied the trenches, only to be met promptly with the well-directed machine gun and rifle fire of our troops. The combat to a large degree appears to have been hand-to-hand. As stated in the earlier report, there are hundreds of Germans in the Canadian trenches, but they are dead Germans.

That the Canadian losses were very slight is indicated by the fact that only eight casualties were reported to the department yesterday. The reports from the front repeatedly indicate that the spirit and morale of the Canadian forces are splendid and that they are fully prepared either to repel attack or join the anticipated advance of the early spring.

GERMAN AGENTS FINANCED A NATIVE PLOT TO OVERTHROW GOVERNMENT OF MADAGASCAR

PARIS, Feb. 18.—The Paris Journal's correspondent at Antananarivo says that German agents financed and otherwise encouraged a native plot to overthrow the government of Madagascar on Dec. 31 last. The seat of the conspiracy was at Fianarantsoa, and it was planned to poison the French officers and soldiers on New Year's eve and either gain the native troops to the cause of the conspirators or obtain from them their military weapons. The white officials and colonists were then to have been massacred. The plot was revealed to the authorities and already over 200 persons have been arrested and other arrests are expected as the investigation is still proceeding. The great bulk of the population remains loyal to France and has not been affected by the seditious propaganda.

The correspondent adds that documents discovered at the German consulate show that plans were made for fomenting an insurrection even before war broke out.

MR. TENNANT ADMITS THAT FOKKER AEROPLANE WAS OFFERED TO THE ALLIES AND REJECTED

LONDON, Feb. 16.—The Fokker aeroplane, which is now making so much trouble for the Allies on the western front, was offered to the British War Office in 1913, but was rejected.

Under Secretary Tennant made this admission in the House of Commons today.

"The Fokker Machine at that time," Mr. Tennant stated, "was inefficient and dangerous. The late Fokker design, of greater horse-power, was not offered to the British. The Germans are now using this design."

A BIG VOTE OF CREDIT.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—New votes of credit amounting to approximately £400,000,000, will be asked by Premier Asquith in the House of Commons on Monday.

The votes will bring up the total of war appropriations to £2,062,000,000.

THE LONDON TIMES PRAISES PRESIDENT WILSON AND DEPRECATES ATTACKS ON HIM

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The Times in an editorial today concerning Germany's recent memorandum as to the status of armed merchantmen after February 29 says:

"England learns with gratification but with no surprise that America declines to recognize Germany's monstrous pretension to the right to sink armed merchantmen at sight. It was inconceivable that under any precedent America should acquiesce in such a policy."

The article then proceeds to a general defence of President Wilson and declares that the British people fully understand and make allowance for the grave difficulties besetting him and his administration. The Times incidentally deprecates such attacks on President Wilson as that made by Punch this week.

A RUSSIAN SUBJECT IS FOUND GUILTY OF CONSPIRACY CHARGE IN ENGLAND

LONDON, Feb. 18.—Nof Joachim Altans, otherwise known as Altschuler, who was arrested on Jan. 18 on a charge of conspiracy, was found guilty today.

Altans, who is a Russian subject, was charged with having co-operated with James Dallas, chief clerk of a department of the Home Office dealing with aliens, in connection with passport frauds.

Dallas already has pleaded guilty to the charge of having accepted money to commit acts in violation of his public duty. It was alleged that many aliens were enabled to leave England by the use of permits obtained with the assistance of Altans and Dallas.

SUMMARY OF TO- DAY'S WAR NEWS

Military operations figure but scantily in the news from belligerent countries today. The Russian War Office has officially announced, in its regular bulletin, the capture of Erzerum from the Turks, but has furnished no details of the number of prisoners captured or guns taken.

In the major fields of war, west and east, there has been no activity of an important nature, so far as the official reports show.

Much speculation regarding the probable further course of events in the campaign about Erzerum is being indulged in, but there is little positive information regarding the numbers and positions of the opposing forces. One report says the Russians have pushed a force northwest from Erzerum, and that this body of troops already has reached Baiburt, 75 miles away, on the road to Trebizond, the important Turkish port on the Black Sea.

THE WHEAT MARKET SHOWING STRENGTH TODAY

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Sympathy with high prices at Liverpool brought about an advance today in the wheat market here, it being reported that offerings in Great Britain were exceedingly small and reserves dangerously low.

After opening a shade off to $\frac{1}{4}$ up, the market receded a little, but then rose all round to well above yesterday's finish. Initial prices for May were 129 to 129 $\frac{1}{2}$ and for July 122 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 122 $\frac{3}{4}$.

Judge Grimmer is registered at the Queen.

KING GEORGE CONGRATULATES CZAR ON LATEST VICTORY

London, Feb. 18.—On the receipt of the news of the capture of Erzerum by the Russians, King George despatched the following message to Emperor Nicholas:

"My heartiest congratulations upon the splendid achievement of your gallant troops in capturing Erzerum after such hard fighting, which I trust will have far-reaching effects."

Despatches from Bucharest state that the capture of Erzerum by the Russians is crystallizing the decision of Roumania to intervene at an early date, says the Rome correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company.

Roumanian Sympathy.

In Roumanian official circles in sympathy with the Entente, it is said that in March there will be a concentration of Russian troops in Bessarabia for the purpose of permitting Roumania to transfer troops to the Bulgarian frontier. This transfer already is in progress.

"In the meantime the Allies are hastening the transportation to Saloniki of the Serbian, Albanian and Montenegrin armies which, with the French and British troops, will make possible an offensive movement simultaneous with the intervention of Roumania."

Fined For Insult To British Soldiers

(Canadian Press.)

London, Feb. 18.—The proprietors of the weekly Journal Bystander were fined £100, the former editor Vivian Carter, £50, and Lieut. Bernard, cartoonist, £50, today for publishing a cartoon depicting a British soldier lying intoxicated beneath a tree and clasping a bottle of rum. Beneath the cartoon were the words: "Reported missing."

The charge was brought under the "Defence of the Realm Act," on the ground that publication of the cartoon was prejudicial to discipline and recruiting. An appeal was entered.

Novelists Letters Brought High Price

(Canadian Press.)

New York, Feb. 18.—If Robert Louis Stevenson could have sold his letters in his life-time, at such prices as they brought at their sale here this week, he could have spent his later years in more comfort, without having to depend on his literary efforts. The total sum derived from the sale of Stevenson's letters, books, manuscripts and paintings was \$33,116. They were the property of Mrs. Salisbury Field, of Santa Barbara, California. The sale was concluded yesterday.

One letter, describing Stevenson's visit to the Shetland Islands, written when he was 19 years old, brought \$387.

The U. S. Wants As- surance From Austria

Washington, Feb. 18.—The submarine situation with its new developments was discussed at today's cabinet meeting. Secretary Lansing went to the White House before the cabinet assembled and discussed the question with President Wilson at some length. It was indicated today that Austria, too, will be notified of the assurances the United States is asking for the future, so that the position of this government may fully and uniformly be known to the Germanic allies.

German Report Tell Of Success

Berlin, Feb. 18.—The army headquarters statement says:

"In the western theatre the English again attempted to recapture their position to the south of Ypres, but were repulsed with sanguinary losses."

"To the northwest of Lens and to the north of Arras we carried out successful mining operations."

"A small German detachment returned from a nocturnal expedition against English positions near Fonquelliers, to the north of Arras, with a few prisoners."

CALM ALONG WESTERN FRONT LAST NIGHT

Paris, Feb. 18.—The following statement on military operations was issued this afternoon by the War Office: "The night was calm along the entire front."

FEELING OF UNREST PRE- VAILS IN IRELAND AND ENLISTMENTS FALL OFF

**Anti-Government Campaign Being Carried
On With Headquarters at Dublin---
Irish Regiments May Have to be
Recruited In England.**

TORONTO, Feb. 18.—A cable to the Toronto Globe says: With a freedom that is regarded as unusual, the censor is allowing the publication of certain facts pointing to deep unrest in Ireland. An anti-Government campaign apparently has its headquarters in Dublin, from which city the activities are directed.

The police have raided a number of houses and have suppressed at least ten newspapers within the past few weeks.

Enlistments in Ireland have fallen off to such an extent that the Times expressed the fear that the famous Irish regiments will have to be recruited in England and Scotland in a short time.

Already considerable drafts from English and Scotch regiments have been put into some of the Irish battalions. More than one hundred English cavalrymen are now serving in one of the most famous of the Irish regiments of the line. Another great Irish battalion which has distinguished itself in past wars is 300 men short of its full complement.

TIDE OF EMIGRATION TO UNITED STATES BECAME SO GREAT IT HAD TO BE STOPPED

Although Ireland has a male population of 2,192,050, fewer than 85,000 men have enlisted since the outbreak of the war, and the tide of emigration to the United States became so great the government had to stop it. The following telegram was received from Dublin today:

"Members of the Sinn Fein organization have become so bold in the dissemination of the propaganda that it has been decided to adopt a sterner policy towards them. It is learned that when the home of Countess Markievicz, in Dublin, was raided recently, letters were found which led to the discovery of an arsenal. In Great Brunswick street, Dublin, the police searched a number of houses, securing a great supply of rifles, pistols and ammunition, as well as two machine guns, which had been secreted in defiance of the Defence of the Realm Act."

THE "GOTT STRAFE ENGLAND" SENTIMENT IS NOW SAID TO BE DYING OUT IN GERMANY

LONDON, Feb. 18.—A Scandinavian correspondent of the London Times writes:

"I recently had a visit from an old university friend, belonging to a neutral country who has lived in Germany since the beginning of the war, and who has associated with well-informed industrial circles and consequently has acquired some inside knowledge."

"According to him the most striking fact is the change of tone which has taken place in Germany. The 'Gott strafe England!' sentiment is a thing of the past. The pre-arranged declamations in the Reichstag about the Baralong affair do not really count."

"Many university men who signed the various mad declarations about German innocence and British perfidy at the beginning of the war now feel positively ashamed. They excuse their foolishness in putting their names to them by saying they did not know the exact wording."

"The Liberals also begin in private to admit that the German versions of the diplomatic prelude to the war tragedy will not stand close examination, and they even recognize Germany's responsibility towards Belgium."

THE KAISER SAID TO LOOK UPON AIR RAIDS AS SENSELESS AND OF NO MILITARY VALUE

"The intercourse of the Von Tirpitz party has been and still is a danger cloud threatening the Chancellor. Admiral Von Tirpitz has been inclined to retire, but his staff has so far persuaded him to remain. His inspired press campaign against the Chancellor is not only carried on by Count Reventlow, but various foreign newspapers have been furnished with insidious articles. It is reported, however, that the Kaiser shares the views of the diplomatists and disapproves of the Zeppelin raids on England, which in his opinion are senseless, being of no military importance and only calculated to make friendly relations with Britain more difficult after the war."

SIR THOMAS LIPTON'S YACHT ERIN IS NOW AN AUXILIARY CRUISER IN THE NORTH SEA

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Sir Thomas Lipton's steam yacht the Erin, which has often been seen in American waters as a tender to Sir Thomas' challenger for the America cup, is now an auxiliary cruiser in the British navy, attached to the fleet that is guarding the North Sea against submarines. This information was contained in a letter received here from Sir Thomas in which the yachtman stated that he is recovering from a long illness and intends soon to leave England for the United States and Canada. Sir Thomas was taken ill after returning from Serbia, where he took part in the organization of relief work during the typhus epidemic.