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GERMAN WAR SHIP MADE RAID ON THE COAST OF ENGLAND

Shells Thrown Into Suffolk Town Did Little Damage

**An Official Statement Given Out in Regard to the Incident
---Germans Suffer Severe Losses In Fighting on the
Verdun Front Last Night.**

LONDON, Jan. 26.—An unidentified German vessel shelled the Suffolk coast of England last night. There were no casualties. The following official announcement was given out today: "A small unidentified German vessel approached the Suffolk coast last night and fired a number of shells, only a portion of which reached the land. There were no casualties and only insignificant damage was done by the firing."

PARIS, Jan. 26.—On the Verdun front last night the Germans made attacks at four points between Avoncourt wood and Dead Man's Hill. Today's announcement says that the German's were driven back with severe losses, although they penetrated advanced trenches near Hill 304. In Upper Alsace the Germans left their trenches at two points to attack, but were checked by the French artillery fire, and withdrew.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—The Morning Post correspondent at Amsterdam says that he learns from well informed sources at the Hague that the German government intends to issue a statement with reference to President Wilson's speech in the American Senate, but that neither the nature of the statement nor the manner in which it will be made public is yet known.

AMSTERDAM, via London, Jan. 26.—A Reuter despatch from Vienna says that Emperor Charles, accompanied by Foreign Minister Czernin Von Chudenitz, left for German headquarters on Thursday night to be present at the German Emperor's birthday celebration on Saturday.

The Result of the Recent Naval Conferences

Said to Have Been Entirely Satisfactory

LONDON, Jan. 25.—It is officially announced that the conferences held in London on recent days "to discuss and determine the questions relating to the naval policy of the Allied fleets in the Mediterranean," were attended by Sir Edward Carson, First Lord of the Admiralty, Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, First Sea Lord, Rear Admiral Lacaze, French Minister of Marine, M. Lebon, former Minister of Commerce in the French cabinet, the Italian Minister of Marine, Admiral Corbi, the Italian Minister of Munitions, General Dallolio, in addition to other experts of the three powers.

The proceedings were opened by Premier Lloyd George, who indicated the British government's views for closer co-ordination and unity of action of the Allied fleets in the Mediterranean.

"The results of the conference," says the announcement, "were entirely satisfactory. Important discussions have been reached, affecting not only naval operations, but the use of shipping, control of trade routes and other problems."

Spain Will Continue to Maintain a Loyal

Neutrality in the War, Says Spanish Premier

MADRID, via Paris, Jan. 26.—Whatever may happen, Spain will not intervene in the European war and will continue to observe loyal neutrality, according to a statement made by Count Romanones, the premier, in a speech at a luncheon given by the mayor of Madrid to the provincial mayors who came here recently to offer the grand cross of charity to King Alfonso.

Referring to the situation created by the war, the Premier expressed the hope of seeing King Alfonso one day act as mediator. He added that intervention "will only take place at the opportune moment, and not before."

A. McKim, Advertising Expert Met Tragic Death

Montreal, Jan. 26.—Anson McKim, tawa and got off the train at Coteau Junction and in some manner was struck and killed by another train near the station.

The body was brought to Montreal and a coroner's jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

ENORMOUS DEFICIT ON VALLEY RY.

"The problem confronting the people of New Brunswick with respect to the Valley Railway is a very serious one," remarked Mr. E. S. Carter, Opposition organizer, in an interview with a representative of the Mail today.

"I notice that officials of the Canadian Government Railway gave evidence before Chief Justice McKeown in the Gould arbitration proceedings at St. John yesterday, and what they said in regard to the earnings of the Valley Railway should furnish the people of this province with food for thought."

"The railway has been completed from Centreville to Gagetown, a distance of 120 miles, and is now in operation. This road cost the province \$35,000 a mile, or a total of \$4,200,000 for the 120 miles now in operation. The annual interest charge to the province will not be less than \$200,000, which is a pretty tidy sum. Now we have the statement of Comptroller Shannon that the gross receipts of the road during the first year of its operation were \$16,142, and for the second year \$21,571, a total of about \$38,000. Under the terms of the agreement by which the road is operated, the province receives forty per cent. of the gross earnings, which means that its share of the \$38,000 earned in two years will be \$15,200. The interest on the bonds for that period will amount to \$400,000, which leaves a deficit of \$385,000 for the province to make up. I think that a glance at these figures ought to convince anybody that the situation is a very serious one."

Mr. H. E. McManemin, of St. John, is a guest at the Barker House.

Mr. H. W. Woods, M. P. P., of Welsford, arrived in the city last night.

A NEW PEACE PROPOSAL EXPECTED FROM GERMANY

**The Kaiser May Make a Move on His Birthday---A
Paris Newspaper Gives Currency to a Curious
Story About Peace.**

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—There is a reported disposition in Washington diplomatic circles to expect an important development in the next few days in the direction of peace. No details are obtainable, but it is believed to be of German origin. President Wilson is rumored to have knowledge of it.

PARIS, Jan. 25.—L'Oeuvre publishes a curious story regarding a new peace move by the Kaiser. It is vouched for by a friend of the author of the famous German war book, "Jaccuse." "It is known," says L'Oeuvre, "that this anonymous writer has reliable sources of information in Germany. He asserts that the Emperor's letter to the Chancellor regarding peace proposals was written subsequent to the Chancellor's proposal, and did not refer to it, but to a new peace move which the Emperor contemplated making shortly, possibly next Saturday, on the occasion of his birthday. The Emperor's proposal would take the following lines:

His Love for Peace.

"The Allies are posing as future organizers of world peace. My note was to prove my love for peace. Since the Allies rejected my offer, though all adhere to the idea of universal peace, I will be their first promoter of this peace, and propose that all parties meet forthwith to discuss this primordial article of wars ends, namely the reorganization of future peace."

"The Emperor, it is alleged, will on this occasion cite Emmanuel Kant, who said: 'One day a powerful, enlightened nation will establish a basis of federal union, and by the adhesion of other nations will extend this union to other civilized nations.'"

FRANCE TAKES PRECAU- TIONS TO PUT A STOP TO WASTAGE OF FOOD

**Meals in Restaurants to be Greatly
Restricted in Future---The Bill of
Fare Must be Submitted to the
Police Each Morning.**

PARIS, Jan. 26.—France today followed the example of England and Italy in restricting meals in restaurants. Diners in restaurants are hereafter restricted to hors d'oeuvres or soup, two other dishes and cheese or dessert. In regard to the two main dishes the bill of fare, instead of the 60 or 70 items usually presented, is confined to a maximum of nine. The nine consist of one egg dish, two fish, three meat and three vegetables.

The restrictions have been drawn up in conjunction with the representatives of the provision trade, and have been taken in good part by both the public and the restaurant proprietors. Public opinion generally recognizes the importance of stopping the waste in food.

New Decree Printed in Official Journal

And Goes Into Effect on February Fifteenth

The decree was printed in the official journal today, but it does not come into effect until February 15th. It is applicable to all establishments where meals are served to the public, including clubs, hotels, boarding houses and canteens.

Managers must submit bills of fare for luncheon to the police authorities not later than ten o'clock on the day for a dinner not later than five o'clock, and must hang up a copy of the regulations in a conspicuous place.

Food Situation Not Grave, but Authorities

Are Providing for Future Emergencies

The restrictions include an absolute prohibition of puddings, and an order to economize flour, milk, eggs, sugar and vegetables. Salads count as courses, unless served on the same plate with meat.

Albert Cleveille, under secretary for national subsistence, said in regard to the decree: "We have got to think of the future. The food situation is not grave at present; but importations may be subject to delay and our home production may meet unforeseen accidents. It is a question of holding out. That is why we are taking at once precautions which, without incommencing the public will enable us to realize appreciable economy."

OLD JOHN BARLEYCORN TO GET ANOTHER KNOCK

**Food Controller Will Place Drastic Restrictions on the Output
of Beer and Whiskey in Great Britain This Year---There
Has Been a Sharp Advance Already.**

LONDON, Jan. 26.—The British public this year will be allowed to drink only half as much beer and whiskey as they consumed the year before the war began, and each drink probably will cost them twice as much as it did then. This will be the result of the food controller's drastic restrictions on the output of beer and whiskey, according to the representatives of the licensed trade defence league.

Brewers and distillers have not yet had time to decide what action they will take with regard to the restrictions, but informal conferences already have been held from which sufficient information has leaked out to give the public to understand that an advance in price will take place some time before the new regulation is effective at the beginning of April.

In expectation of this, whiskey has advanced sharply in price among the wholesale dealers at Glasgow. A mass meeting of the retailers there has been summoned to determine what they will charge consumers.

The price, it is predicted, will be double the present rate.