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SENDING MORE TROOPS TO SERVIAN BORDER

BROCKVILLE PEOPLE ARE SEEING AIRSHIPS

Three Said to Have Passed Over That City on Sunday, Heading in the Direction of Ottawa---Mysterious Craft Came From New York State---Rideau Hall, the Parliament buildings and the Royal Mint Have Been Darkened---Report Creates Excitement at Ottawa.

Ottawa, Feb. 14—Sir Robert Borden, the prime minister, received a telegram from Brockville, Ontario, tonight, stating that three aeroplanes had passed over Brockville at ten p.m. flying in the direction of Ottawa. The aeroplanes came from New York State over the St. Lawrence river.

Colonel Percy Sherwood, chief of Dominion Police, told The Standard tonight that he had had a telephone message from the Chief of Police at Brockville who informed him that three or four aeroplanes had crossed the river St. Lawrence about ten o'clock tonight from New York State and had passed over Brockville, travelling in a northeasterly direction, presumably towards Ottawa. He said that one of the aeroplanes while crossing the St. Lawrence had dropped some fire balls or light balls. He was not sure what they were exactly. However, he understood that they fell into the river. A searchlight on the roof of one of the local theatres is scouring the sky, watching for the invaders.

LIGHTS PUT OUT.

The news spread quickly amongst the members of parliament and a number of them made their way to the roof of the main building to watch for the reported visitors. Brockville is about sixty miles south of Ottawa and if they are really making for the capital they can hardly arrive before midnight for they have to travel against a head wind. Rain is falling slightly and the air is not clear. About 11.15 o'clock orders were issued to darken the parliament buildings. Every light in the grounds was extinguished and every blind drawn.

DARKEN RIDEAU HALL.

Orders have also been given by Col.

Sherwood to darken Rideau Hall, the official residence of the governor general of Canada, and the Royal Mint.

The Duke of Connaught, the governor general, has gone to Winnipeg to inspect the troops of the garrison there, but the Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia are at Government House.

The Royal Mint here is a branch of the Royal Mint at London, England. In it is minted the gold coinage of the dominion as well as a portion of the British gold coinage chief sovereigns.

This is the first time since the Royal Mint was opened here that it has been in darkness. It has always been kept brilliantly illuminated.

EXCITEMENT AT CAPITAL.

Sharpshooters have been tolled off to various points of vantage on Parliament Hill; all the picked shots of the dominion police are fully armed. The greatest excitement prevails and the premier and cabinet ministers are being informed from time to time as to the situation. The Duchess of Connaught is also being kept informed.

The only lights in Rideau Hall or the government buildings are those in rooms which have heavy blinds and shutters.

Notices have been sent out to Smith's Falls, Perth, Kemptville, Merrickville and other towns in Eastern Ontario to keep a sharp lookout and report at once if any of the aeroplanes are seen.

Later communication with Brockville elicits that the aeroplanes passed over Morristown, N.Y., on their way over the St. Lawrence.

A few months ago an order was issued by the government and notices posted that any aeroplanes flying over Canadian territory without authority would be dealt with as enemies.

Men From Garrison in the Interior of Germany Are Being Rushed Forward for Another Invasion---More Reports of Wounded Germans

ANOTHER INVASION OF SERVIA

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

Amsterdam, Feb. 15--New bodies of German troops from Garrisons in the interior of Germany are being sent to Tamasvar and southeastern Banat in Hungary, according to private advices received from Berlin. The despatch of these troops to the Servian border is accepted as an indication that Germany and Austria have not abandoned the plan for another invasion of Servia. But will force the fighting with the reorganized Servian army which is gathering south of the Danube.

MANY WOUNDED GERMANS

(SPECIAL CABLE TO THE MAIL.)

Amsterdam, Feb. 15--The reports of large numbers of wounded Germans being transported across the Rhein from the Battle lines in the west continue to reach Amsterdam. On last Friday 1800 wounded soldiers were taken through Cologne in tramcars from the Yser.

NOT THINKING OF PEACE

London, Feb. 13--"The recent public utterances in Germany give no reason to suppose that the purpose in view will be promoted by adopting the course suggested" was the answer of Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign Secretary to a Question in the House of Commons asking whether with a view to ending the terrible loss of life in the war, Great Britain prepared to declare publicly the basis whereon the Allies were willing to discuss terms of peace. The members of the House greeted Sir Edward Grey's answer with cheers. In connection with his recent statement to the effect that the British casualties in the western fighting Zone aggregated 104,000 officers and men, Premier Asquith explained in Parliament this afternoon that approximately 60 per cent of wounded already had recovered and were fit for service.

AUSTRIANS SHORT OF FLOUR

(Special to The Mail.)

Paris, Feb. 15--A despatch to the "Temps" from Basle, Switzerland, declares that the Austrians are now compelled to use a mixture of Chestnut flour in their bread using fifty percent wheat flour twenty five percent potato meal and twenty-five percent chestnut meal.

London, Feb. 14--Two big battles, it is believed, have already begun, or will soon begin, on the Russian side of the East Prussian frontier, and on the River Serth in Bukovina. The Russian forces have withdrawn both in East Prussia and in Bukovina, in the face of superior German and Austrian armies, so that they might be enabled to concentrate and come into closer touch with the lines of communication.

The official reports make only the briefest reference to the operations at these two extremes of the eastern front, but what they do say indicates that the Russians have already reached the lines on which Grand Duke Nicholas has decided to give battle.

The rest of the campaign in the east, even the fighting in the Car-

pathians, which is proceeding under the worst weather conditions, is overshadowed by these greater events, on the result of which both sides are staking so much.

The Germans claim to have won a big victory over the Russians in East Prussia, and the Austrians announce the Russian retirement in Bukovina, with elation, but apparent in Petrograd views these incidents without misgiving.

In the west there has been a continuation of heavy artillery bombardments, in which Rheims has again suffered, and several infantry attacks on different parts of the line in which both sides claim to have been successful. From unofficial sources comes the news that Saint Mihiel, on the Meuse, which the Germans have held for so long, has

come under fire of the French guns, which shows that the French have either made an advance in this region or have brought up heavy guns in an effort to dislodge the Germans.

In Egypt, the Caucasus and Mesopotamia there has either been no fighting, or engagements which the belligerents do not consider worthy of mention in the official despatches.

At sea the weather has been such that naval operations are out of the question with the result that a number of ships have been wrecked and consumed with tremendous seas for two or three days.

A good deal of interest is being taken in the coming week's proceedings of the British parliament, for tomorrow David Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchequer, will make a statement on the financial arrangements between Great Britain, France and Russia, and Winston Churchill, first lord of the Admiralty, will review the naval situation.

Later in the week the debate will be continued on the increased cost of the necessities of life, in connection with which a number of meetings held throughout the country on Saturday and Sunday have urged the government to take steps to con-

trol the supplies of food and the means for their distribution. At Mosolaborch, the Russians are reported to have begun an offensive movement.

Chas. V. Pickard of Millville is at the Barker House.

MAJOR JAS. PRINGLE HONORED BY COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS

Guest of Honor at a Banquet Held at Windsor Hall--Presented With Signet Ring and Set of Pipes--A Very Pleasant Function.

Major James Pringle, who resigned his position as traveller for Jas. S. Neill & Sons, Limited, to become quartermaster of the 26th New Brunswick Battalion for overseas service was fittingly honored by the local commercial travellers Saturday evening. He was the guest of honor at a most enjoyable banquet and was presented by his fellow Knights of the Grip with a gold signet ring and a set of valuable pipes. It was a well deserved tribute to a most worthy man who embodies in his makeup the very best type of the citizen soldier.

Mr. R. L. Phillips, ex-president of the Maritime Commercial Travellers Association, made a most capable chairman. He had the guest of the evening on his right and Rev. Dr. Smith on his left. Mr. W. S. Thomp-

kins held down the vice chair, with Mr. J. D. Palmer, president of the Board of Trade, on his right, and Ex-Ald. W. G. Clark on his left. Others present included Mayor Mitchell, F. P. Folinson, M. Atkinson, Bryon Brewer, W. T. McLeod, John M. McLagan, Wm. Thurett, A. F. Rierstead, H. S. Hatfield, H. W. Collwell, C. D. Galloway, R. Perry, F. L. Cooper, John Edn y, C. D. Forder, R. P. Allen and J. D. Black. After the guests had been seated, Miss Dorothy Phillips, a young daughter of the chairman, was called upon and treated the company to a patriotic recitation which was vigorously applauded. Rev. Dr. Smith said grace, and the company fell to work on a splendid repast served in a

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