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# The Omineca Miner

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## INCREASE IN B. C.'S MINING PRODUCTION

A preliminary estimate of the value of the mineral production of British Columbia in 1915 makes it appear that it was the third highest yearly total in the history of the province. The estimated total is $29,703,000. If the revised figures, after the returns for the year shall have been received from the various producers of mineral, shall prove that this estimate is not too high then the position will be that the value of last year's output of minerals was larger by about $3,314,000 than that of 1914. but smaller than that of 1912—the year of high record—by $2,737,000.

The production value of various mineral products in 1915 was as follows:

Placer gold, $690,000; lode gold, $5,326,000. Total gold, $5,016,000. Silver, $1,734,000; lead, $1,727,000; copper, $9,909,000; zinc, $1,395,000. Total metalliferous minerals, $20,731,000. Coal, $5,432,000; coke, $1,490.500; miscellaneous products, $2,000,000.

### Hospital Meeting

The annual meeting of the patrons of Hazelton Hospital will be held in St. Andrew's Hall next Tuesday evening, Feb. 8, at 8 o'clock. An interesting report will be presented. Every person who contributes $5 or more in cash, or who purchases hospital tickets to the same amount, is registered as a patron and is entitled to vote for a representative on the advisory board.

Rev. J. H. Arnup, assistant general secretary for foreign missions in the Methodist church will attend the meeting. Mr. Arnup is now visiting the various missions of the district.

Judging from the interest taken in the forthcoming production of "What Happened to Jones" by amateur players, there will be a big crowd in attendance at Assembly Hall on Feb. 25th, when the famous comedy is to be presented. The performance will be an enjoyable one, and all who see it will get their money's worth, while the fact that the proceeds go to Hazelton Hospital should be an added inducement to the people of the district to take in the show. The actors are working hard to ensure a smooth performance, and nothing will be left undone to make the play a success.

London: Parliament will be opened on Feb. 15 by the King in person.

# PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BURNED

## *GERMAN PLOTTERS' DASTARDLY ACT--- SEVEN LIVES LOST -- $3,000,000 DAMAGE*

Ottawa, Feb. 4:—An explosion in the parliament buildings at 9:30 last night, while the house was in session, started a fire which destroyed a great part of the buildings. Two women, guests of the speaker's wife, were burned to death, and four men are missing and believed to have been crushed by a falling wall while removing records and pictures. Hon. Martin Burrell, minister of agriculture, was badly hurt, the flesh being burned from both cheeks. He is certain of the incendiary nature of the fire, as he smelt chemicals. Premier Borden escaped without hat or coat and directed the work of rescue, but there was little to be done in that direction.

The library, the finest in Canada, was saved, but the house of commons and the senate wing were gutted. The property loss is $3,000,000, on which there is no insurance.

The house of commons is meeting today in a theater building.

Ottawa (later): While the cause of last night's disaster is not definitely known, it is believed to have been the work of German agents. A high official of the house of commons is authority for the statement that complaints had reached him concerning four Germans said to have been working during the last few days on repairs. Only the library is left intact.

B. B. Law, member for Yarmouth, N. S., is believed to have perished in the fire. Premier Borden's escape was narrow.

Providence, R.I.: The Journal states in its issue of today that it notified the U. S. department of justice three weeks ago of information obtained from a member of the German embassy, who said the embassy had decided to stop operations against American munitions plants for a while "and give the people of Canada a few things to think about" by destroying the houses of parliament and the large munitions plants of Ontario, in the order named.

Ottawa: Victims of the parliament buildings fire number seven including B. B. Law, M. P. for Yarmouth and Deputy Clerk Laplante. The bodies of Mesdames Morin and Bray have been recovered. Two others are lying in the ruins of the small tower.

A thorough inquiry has been instituted. The inquest will open on Feb. 17. Fire Chief Graham states that he heard five distinct explosions. It is suspected that the fire extinguishers were tampered with and filled with inflammable oil, as they seemed to increase the flames.

Charles Stroney, aged 28, pianist for Madam Edwina, was arrested on suspicion as he was leaving for the United States. He is a German and when taken to Windsor had photographs of the buildings in his possession.

Ottawa. Another incendiary outbreak occurred this morning, when fire destroyed the factory of the Grant, Holden, Graham Co., engaged in the manufacture of tarpaulins and clothing for the army. Eight employees who were trapped by the flames escaped with difficulty.

Military commanders throughout the country have been warned to protect public buildings. Other attempts are expected.

## TODAY'S WAR BULLETIN

London: There is a panic on the Berlin Bourse today, as a result of rumors that a break between Germany and the United States over the Lusitania case is imminent. It is thought here that President Wilson's speeches this week indicate the probability of a serious outcome to the controversy.

The Associated Press in Berlin was informed today that under no circumstances will the German government admit that the sinking of the Lusitania was illegal.

Washington: Von Bernstorff had a five-minute conference with Secretary Lansing on the Lusitania dispute today. No information was given out.

Washington: Ambassador Spring-Rice today presented a formal demand from the British government for the return of the Appam to her owners. A controversy is foreshadowed. The United States has practically decided to hold that the steamer is a German prize, taking the Prussian - American treaty as covering the case.

London: A heavy artillery duel is in progress along the entire western front from Belgium to the Vosges. Grenade fighting and sapping operations are general. The British are shelling enemy trenches along the rivers Ancre and Somme. Our trenches to the northwest of Ypres are being heavily bombarded.

Rome: Austrian reinforcements are leaving for the Saloniki front.

London: Naval vessels, after a thorough search, report no trace of Zeppelin L-19. The airship is believed to have gone down.

### Canadian Patriotic Fund

In addition to $160.10 received from monthly subscribers the following amounts have been received since Dec. 31:

Smithers Patriotic Fund $190.00.
New Hazelton " " $175.50.
Bulkley Valley District Patriotic Fund $200.00.

"Prospector," 5.00; Hagwilget Indians, 32.50; W. Blackstock, 5.00; E. H. Fagerlund, 1.00; E. Barnes, 1.00; J. Donohue, 1.00; R. C. Ewing, 1.00; D. Smith, .50; R. Checkley, .50; T. H. McCubbin, 5.00; Shel. Robinson, 5.00; Norman McKenzie, 5.00; P. Nielson, 3.00; Employees of the "Chicago Group" Mineral Claims, 14.25.

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| Subscriptions to date, | $4,552.28 |
| Remittances to H'dqu's, | 4,449.96 |
| Balance on Hand | $ 102.32 |

Three parties left Hazelton for the Ingenica placer district during the week. On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. McClair and J. C. Rineley, with their Indian packers, started on the journey; Marius Pederson, Charles Fredrickson and Peter Nielson left on Thursday, and Peter Jensen, the pioneer of the district, accompanied by Fred Hagen, Barney Moe, Charles Sterrett and Peter Barney, left today with several toboggan loads of supplies.

E. G. Spalding and George Walker are spending a few days on Rocher de Boule mountain preparatory to beginning the development of the Highland Boy, a promising property which is held by the Butte & Rocher de Boule Co., in which Mr. Spalding is largely interested.

Victoria: The provincial legislature is to assemble on March 2.

## LOCAL AND DISTRICT NEWS PARAGRAPHS

Rupert hockey team may come up later for a series.

N. J. Cox came down from Telkwa on yesterday's train.

R. E. Allen returned yesterday from a visit to Edmonton.

A. W. Corner, the Kispiox rancher, was in town on Monday.

T. G. Wall, representing McClary & Co., was here on Monday.

Dr. Badgero, the dentist, will remain in Hazelton until the middle of next week.

D. V. Joinville, who has been spending a few days at Burns Lake, returned to Hazelton yesterday.

Owing to unfavorable weather, the carnival which was scheduled for last night was indefinitely postponed.

The Hazelton hockey players only succeeded in winning one game of the three played in the coast city last week.

The people of New Hazelton wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Reid for their able assistance with the music at the Patriotic dance on Feb. 2.

S. W. N. Saunders, of the Hazelton government office, has been transferred to Prince George He and Mrs. Saunders will leave for that town about the end of this month.

Constable Lavery, of the provincial force, who has been in charge of the New Hazelton office, has been transferred to district headquarters here, Constable Mead going to New Hazelton.

D. L. Purvis, who is working on his Four-Mile claims, brought in some splendid samples of ore the other day. One specimen shows a great deal of molybdenum, which is now in great demand.

Arthur L. Ford, inspecting engineer, was here this week, looking over recent work at Sealy Gulch bridge, where the railway company has had drainage tunnels run to drain the pier foundations.

### W. A.

The fortnightly working party in aid of the Patriotic Fund will be held at the mission house on Thursday, Feb. 10, at 3 p.m.

### Coming Events

**Feb. 7**—Working meeting of the Red Cross. St. Andrew's Hall at 8 p. m.

**Feb. 8**—Annual meeting of patrons of Hazelton Hospital. St. Andrew's Hall, 8 p.m.

**Feb. 10**—Working party of W.A., Mission House, 3 p.m.

**Feb. 25**—Comedy, "What Happened to Jones", by amateur players, in aid of Hazelton Hospital.

**Feb. 29**—Leap Year Ball, in Assembly Hall, under the auspices of Hazelton Athletic Association.

**March 17**—Grand Concert for the benefit of the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

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Though the Germans, by underground means, are trying to create dissension among the Allies, there is little prospect that they will meet with any success. The weakening or defection of one of the great nations arrayed against the central powers would, they think, force the Allies to negotiate for peace—a peace which would leave matters much as they stood before the war broke out, with Germany free to reconstruct her militarist machinery, in readiness for the day when she might, under more favorable auspices, make her great attempt against Britain. For there can be no doubt that the ultimate object of Germany is the subjugation of England and a breaking up of the British Empire, which stands as the great obstacle to the fulfilment of the Prussian dream of world-domination. To us it is unthinkable that our enemies should succeed, and we are well assured that no effort and no sacrifice will be considered too great by the British people to ensure freedom from the rule of the Hun.

The King's strong words at the prorogation of parliament are seconded by Hon. David Lloyd George, who said a few days ago:

"I think that for us the war is only beginning, but I am absolutely confident of victory because, although we all have made mistakes in the past, England and her allies are now taking counsel together and will be stronger because they are united. By next spring we shall have for the first time more munitions than the enemy, and our superiority in men is unquestioned. Besides this, Germany's financial position is growing worse daily."

The minister of munitions admitted that the Entente Allies were all caught unprepared and had to organize armies. England, he said, had to create one. Asked if he thought the war would end in a deadlock, the minister said such a thing must not be thought of for a moment.

"It may take a long time," he said, "but we must crack the nut before we get at the kernel. Wearing down the outside by attrition is too long and wouldn't be a smashing, pulverizing victory. Pressure on the enemy is becoming greater. They are spreading their frontiers temporarily, but are becoming weaker in a military sense, and the process of strangulation will squeeze them more and more.

"We woke up slowly to it," said the munitions minister, "but I am now perfectly satisfied with what we are doing. We have now 2500 factories, employing 1,500,000 men and 250,000 women. By spring we shall have turned out an immense amount of munitions. We have 3,000,000 men under arms; by spring we shall have 1,000,000 more.

"Make no mistake about it, Great Britain is determined to fight this war to a finish. It was the obstinacy of England that wore down Napoleon after twenty years of warfare. Her allies broke away one by one, but Great Britain kept on. Our allies on this occasion are just as set and determined as we are."

### The Dairy and Cold Storage

It is doubtful if any subject, excepting only the war itself, at this juncture in the world's history commands more attention than the products of the dairy, with which cold storage is intimately allied. Therefore, the report of the dairy storage commissioner for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1915, recently issued, and which can be had on application to the Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, will doubtless be received with more than ordinary attention. The commissioner, J. A. Ruddick, briefly records his experience on a visit to Europe as Canadian government delegate to the sixth international dairy congress held in June, 1914, at Berne, Switzerland. Returning, via England, he found that Canadian cheese stood in the highest possible favor, commanding even a better price than that of New Zealand, where special and unremittent efforts are being made to capture the British trade in dairy products, and where the cheese factories have recently greatly increased in number. Canadian cheese, Mr. Ruddick testifies, has become the standard for all importations. He paid a visit to the centers of the Cheddar cheese industry in Cheshire, Shropshire and Flintshire, and was surprised at its extent. An interesting account is given in the report of the extension of marketing facilities and of the operations of the Finch and Brome dairy stations. Other matters dealt with are the dairy herd and cheese, the activities of the precooling and experimental fruit storage warehouse at Grimsby, Ont., cold storage progress publications and meetings. An exceptionally full appendix covering ninety-six pages and divided into twelve sections deals historically with the twenty-five years' work of the assistant dairy commissioner, J.C.Chapais, with the work of the chief of the markets extension division, in connection with which a quantity of valuable information is furnished regarding the needs and methods of the British and French markets, with tables of prices of every variety of farm and garden produce and stock at each month in the year; and with dairy herd records and tests in different provinces. Reports in full are also furnished, as parts of the appendix, of the cold storage inspector, of the chief inspector of dairy products, of the fruit, cold storage and transportation investigations division, and of the inspector of weighing of butter and cheese, the whole concluding with statistics of the total Canadian exports and imports of butter and cheese for the last 35 years, for the last seven years of the Canadian exports of cheese, butter cream, condensed milk, casein and fresh milk, and for the last eleven years of the total exports of cheese and butter by all countries.

### Valley Farmers' Meeting

There will be a general meeting of the Bulkley Valley Cooperative Farmers' Institute at the Telkwa Hotel, Telkwa, on Feb. 12, at 2 p.m., for the purpose of changing the name of the organization and transaction of other business. Every farmer interested is invited to attend.

The marketed production of sulphur in the United States last year, 327,634 long tons, was the greatest in the history of the industry.

To give fruit trees the air they need, yet protect them from animals, an Arkansan has patented a ventilated box to surround their trunks.

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### NOTICE.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the matter of the Administration Act and in the matter of the Estate of William McAvoy, deceased, intestate.

TAKE NOTICE that by an order of His Honour Judge Young, dated the 12th day of January, 1916, I was appointed Administrator of the Estate of William McAvoy, deceased, intestate, who died on or about the 20th day of August, 1909.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby requested to forward the same, properly verified, to me before the 2nd day of February, 1916, and all persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay the amounts of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

Dated at Hazelton this 17th day of January, 1916.

STEPHEN H. HOSKINS,
Official Administrator.

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# The World's Doings in Brief

**News Notes from Many Sources**

Seattle has twenty inches of snow.

In Toronto 1204 men enlisted last week.

"Uncle Jerry" Kugler is dead in Seattle.

Sugar is $1.25 a pound in Constantinople.

The Kettle Valley railway is to be finished by June, 1.

Toronto is raising $2,500,000 for the Patriotic Fund.

A serious flood occurred last week at San Diego, Cal.

Alaska's mineral production last year was $32,000,000.

Portland is isolated by the worst snowstorm for years.

Alberta proposes to give women the vote at all elections.

Western universities will raise a battalion for overseas service.

Cold weather in Montana was responsible for seven deaths last week.

Kentucky's prohibition act was defeated in the state senate by 20 to 14.

The C. P. R. will re-lay 150 miles of track with heavier rails this year.

Hungarian despatches tell of severe earthquake shocks in Transylvania.

Boy bandits who robbed a bank at Chicago, securing $12,000, were captured.

German breweries are now restricted to 45 per cent of their peace production.

Chinese rebels are reported to be making steady progress in Yunnan province.

Von Bernstorff is to receive further instructions concerning the Lusitania case today.

Washington reports that the American cotton trade with China has been captured by Japan.

Manitoba's prohibition act has passed the legislature, and is now to be referred to the people.

Villa, with a mule-load of looted gold bullion, is now reported to be making his way north to the U.S.

The King yesterday signed a proclamation bringing the military service act into force on Feb. 10.

On Thursday Vancouver reported the heaviest snowfall for many years. All traffic was stopped.

The recruiting league of Hamilton has asked for a special census of all men of military age in Canada.

At Great Falls, Montana, the temperature dropped from 30 above to 4 below zero in thirty minutes.

One of the worst storms in the history of California caused damage estimated at $1,500,000 at Coalinga.

Three of the much-discussed Fokker aeroplanes were routed by a single British airman several days ago.

Replying to a prohibition delegation, Sir Robert Borden asked that a statement be prepared to show the extent to which provincial enactments had been enforced. There was no worse possible example to the people, or no more evil lesson than an unenforced law, he declared.

Canada's first suffrage bill, granting votes to women over 21, has been passed by the Manitoba legislature.

It is reported from Victoria that the provincial law providing for loans to farmers will pass at the next session.

Six lives were lost in a warehouse fire at Seattle. Damaged hemp, which was being dried, caused the blaze.

The Austrian Emperor, who has lately suffered several strokes of apoplexy, is reported to have recovered his speech.

All transcontinental railways in Washington were tied up on Thursday by the heaviest snowfall recorded in thirty years.

France has given a contract to American distillers for $25,000,000 worth of alcohol products used in artillery ammunition.

From the beginning of the war to Jan. 1, the total casualties of all belligerents were 14,650,000. Of these one in five was killed.

Copper is now quoted at 27 cents a pound in New York, silver is 57 cents an ounce and zinc is quoted at 15 cents a pound.

Australia has declared a boycott on German trade and a commercial war on German influence after as well as during the war.

Speaking in St. Louis yesterday, President Wilson told an audience of 15,000 that the U. S. should have the largest navy in the world.

Capt. Harwood Steele, son of General Steele has won a competition open to the world for an Imperial national anthem. Capt. Steele is at the front.

Captain Joseph Bernier, the Canadian explorer, will make another two years' exploration trip to the far north, sailing in his own ship, the Guide.

While reports that the government is to take over the G.T.P. have been characterized as unfounded, there is a belief in Ottawa that such action will come.

Police statistics in Portland show an eighty per cent decrease in drunkenness under prohibition, and it is stated that more money is available for legitimate trade.

Vancouver directors of the Dominion Trust, sued under misfeasance proceedings, have been found liable for millions of dollars lost to the company through the illegal acts of Arnold, the manager.

Storms and floods in the middle western states have caused loss of life and great property damage in several places. Thousands of acres have been inundated in Arkansas and hundreds have lost their homes.

At the prorogation of the British parliament, which has adjourned until Feb. 13, King George said: "We shall not lay down our arms until we have vindicated the cause which carries with it the future of civilization.

The American tank steamer Silver Shell and the Japanese steamer Takata Maru were in collision 200 miles off Cape Race. The Takata is believed to have gone down. The Silver Shell is badly injured.

Thomas McMeehan, an aeronautical authority, says he has information that the German fleet, armed with the new 17-inch guns and escorted by Fokker aeroplanes and Zeppelins armed with pneumatic armor-piercing guns, will soon appear in the North Sea to give battle to the British fleet.

Restrictions by Great Britain of imports of tobacco, fruit and wood pulp, to free shipping for the carriage of foodstuffs and munitions, is regarded in some quarters as a hint to neutrals that interference with the blockade policy of the Allies may be answered by the cutting off of some of their chief exports by their best customer.

### Britain's Sea Losses

London, Jan. 31:—Since the outbreak of the war to the end of last Oct. 254 British merchant steamers, aggregating 542,648 tons, were lost "through enemy action," according to a White paper issued last night. Of these 172 were sunk by submarines, 46 by warships and 37 by mines.

Nineteen sailing, ships of a tonnage of 15,542, were sunk. The fishing vessels sunk numbered 227, of which 158 were steam and 69 sailing. Their aggregate tonnage was 14,104.

In the same period 167 steamers, aggregating 143,992 tons, were lost "by ordinary marine casualties, of which 14, of a tonnage of 24,133, were returned as missing."

The loss of some of these, says a footnote, was "probably due to mines or other enemy action."

Sailing vessels to the number of 229 and of a tonnage of 31,253 also were the victims of ordinary marine casualties.

### Synopsis of Coal Mining Regulations.

COAL mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of $5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of $10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

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# THE MINER WAR BULLETINS

## MONDAY, JAN. 24

### Zeps Over Paris

Paris: Twenty-four persons were killed and and twenty-seven injured in a Zeppelin raid over Paris on Saturday night, according to an official statement issued today. Ten of the wounded were placed in hospitals.

### Russian Advance In South

Petrograd: The Russian Caucasus operations are widening fanlike to the westward, southwestward and southward, with the possibility, according to a semi-official report, of a junction being formed with the British Mesopotamian expedition. The Russian advance pushing west of Melazghert, where the important town of Khynyskala, fifty miles south of Erzerum, was captured, has been completed.

At the same time, progress is reported in the direction of Van and likewise toward Urmiah, where it is officially announced that the Turks were repulsed with heavy losses. Further to the southeast, in the region of Kandalanski Pass, southeast of Hamadan, another Russian victory is reported.

### Erzerum Beleaguered

Athens: The Russians are surrounding Erzerum, from which city the Turkish authorities have fled, according to reports reaching here. A strong Russian column is advancing to the Tigris valley, the advices add.

Russian forces are moving in three directions to effect a junction with the British army.

### Germans' Futile Attacks

Paris: The war office states: "Yesterday evening the Germans delivered an attack on our positions south of the Somme, opposite Dompierre. The enemy's infantry was twice repulsed and thrown back into their trenches by our rifle fire and curtain of fire."

### Fleets Are Active

Christiania : Extraordinary British and German naval activity has been in evidence along the Norwegian coast for the last few days, according to the Stavanger correspondent of the Morgenbladt, who adds that a clash is possible at any time. A number of British warships and German submarines have been observed just outside territorial waters.

### French Land on Mitylene

Paris: Following the action of the Allies in taking the position at the entrance to the Gulf of Saloniki suspected of being a German submarine base, French troops have occupied the island of Mitylene.

### Indians In Mesopotamia

London: The Indian troops which left Flanders several weeks ago are now with the British advancing in Mesopotamia.

## TUESDAY, FEB. 1

### Armies Nearing Each Other

Petrograd: Although a broken, mountainous country intervenes, the Russian positions are not now far removed from the head of the British column in the vicinity of Kut-el-Amara. The Turks evidently fear a junction, this being indicated by their retreat towards Mush. A large part of their army was recently reported to have been routed. The evident purpose of the Turkish move is to cover Bulis and Diarbeker.

### A Submarine's Prize

Norfolk (Va.): The British steamer Appam, of the Elder Dempster line, which was reported lost with her crew and passengers, numbering 500, arrived here today, flying the German flag and manned by a German prize crew. En route from Dakar, West Africa, to Plymouth, with 200 German prisoners in addition to her passengers and crew, the vessel was overtaken by a German submarine. The prisoners were released and a prize crew under Lieut. Berg took charge of the vessel and sailed for Norfolk.

The crew will be interned and the passengers released.

### Siege of Erzerum

Rome: Field Marshal von der Goltz, in command of 80,000 Turks, is besieged in Erzerum. They are reported to have only two weeks' provisions.

The Russian Black Sea fleet is supporting the Russians, whose right wing is now marching on Trebizond.

### Another Aerial Raid

London: Six Zeppelins made a raid last night on the northeastern and midland counties, dropping bombs. The war office states no considerable damage has been reported.

Chicago: President Wilson has not changed his stand on the question of the right of Americans to travel on merchant ships of belligerent nations. A statement that the president now favored the passage of a bill barring American citizens from such vessels, published today, was denied by Secretary Tumulty.

Munich: An explosion occurred in a private powder factory at Rosenheim, Bavaria, on Saturday. Material damage was done, according to an official report. A small number of lives were lost.

London: The British casualties published during January total 1709 officers and 19,624 men.

### Revolution In China

London: The number of Mongolian insurgents has been increased by 20,000, according to a Mukden despatch, says Reuter's Petrograd correspondent.

They are marching toward Pekin.

## WEDNESDAY, FEB. 2

### Complications In Greece

Saloniki: There is great unrest in Greece, and the unsettled condition of internal affairs gives rise to many remarkable rumors which, while they must be received with caution, show plainly that political complications are of a far-reaching character. German intrigue is an active factor throughout Constantine's realm and German money is being freely spent to affect popular feeling favorably to the German and Austrian side.

### Aerial Warfare

Amsterdam : Twenty-seven Allied aeroplanes are attacking Ghent, which is used by the Germans as a distributing base.

One of the Zeppelins which raided Paris was forced to descend at Laon, as the result of the gunfire of a French aeroplane.

A Zeppelin was sighted off Ameland, Holland, and was bombarded by coastguards, fifty shots causing the aircraft to disappear northwards.

### Many Killed By Zeps

London: In Monday night's Zeppelin raid bombs were dropped in rural districts of Derbyshire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire and Staffordshire. Fifty-four persons were killed and 67 ininjured. Some damage was done to property.

### Roumania May Join

Petrograd: It is believed here that Roumania is now ready to form an anti-Bulgarian alliance. Four-fifths of the army are under arms, being concentrated on the Bulgarian and Hungarian frontiers.

### Ridiculous Hun Rumor

London: An official denial is published today of the report, attributed to German sources, that Great Britain intends to abandon her allies and has made peace overtures to Germany. Germany is evidently making desperate attempts to cause dissension between the Allies.

### The Captured Steamer

New York: The steamer Appam brought up in Hampton Roads yesterday, in charge of a German prize crew of 22. She was captured four days out of Dakar, British West Africa.

The British consul-general here has warned British shipping to be on the lookout for German submarines in American waters.

## THURSDAY, FEB. 3

### House on Peace Mission

London: Under orders from Berlin, Von Bernstorff suggested to Secretary Lansing that President Wilson send an envoy to the belligerent capitals to secure a basis for proposals of peace. This explains the recent departure of Col. E. M. House, who has since conferred with Lloyd George, Balfour, Von Bethmann-Hollweg, Von Jagow and Premier Briand. He is due in London from Germany on Monday, after seeing the Kaiser, and will interview Premier Asquith before leaving for the States.

### Hun Cruiser at Large

Norfolk, Va.: Passengers on the Appam say the steamer was taken by the German cruiser Roon, a 21-knot, 9000 ton warship, the first enemy warship of size to break through the North Sea blockade. The Roon's operations are directed by wireless.

The Appam has aboard $500,000 in gold bullion, which the Germans will probably claim as a prize. The passengers are proceeding to England by the Dominion line. The question of the status of the Appam, whether pirate, prize or warship has not yet been determined by the authorities. The British ambassador has asked for the return of the vessel to the British owners, under Article 21 of the Hague agreement. Consideration is being given the request.

### May Attack on West

London: There are indications that the German general staff is preparing for a great offensive in Flanders. It is believed the plan is to attack the left wing of the Allies with strong forces of infantry, supported by enormous masses of artillery. The object of the projected offensive is to force a way to Calais and Dunkirk.

### Another Saloniki Story

Athens: Information has been received that German and Bulgarian troops, supported by 150,000 Turks, are prepared to begin an attack on the British and French forces at Saloniki.

Early this morning Zeppelins raided Saloniki and dropped bombs which killed nine persons and injured fifty.

### In Mesopotamia

London: There has been more fighting in Mesopotamia. General Aylmer's forces hold a strong position on the Tigris, but the recent floods have rendered a forward movement impracticable.

It is reported that Yussuf Izzedin, heir to the Turkish throne, has committed suicide.

A rumor says Greece and Roumania have signed a neutraliiy agreement.

### Germany Seizes Wool

Berlin: By the most far-reaching war measure yet taken, the German government has confiscated all stocks of wool and textiles of every description suitable for the use of the army or navy.

### U.S. President Speaks

Topeka: President Wilson, in a speech, gave warning of possible war, saying the United States must vindicate the rights of Americans citizens everwhere if the nation was to enjoy the rights of international law.

## FRIDAY, FEB. 4

### Hun Subs Active

Hook of Holland: Renewal of German submarine activity in the North Sea is evidenced by the torpedoing of the Dutch motor vessel Artemis near Noordhinder.

### Zeppelin in Distress

London: The collier Franz Fisher was sunk by a Zeppelin, which dropped a bomb near the engine room while the steamer was at anchor. Thirteen of the crew of sixteen were drowned.

The captain of the trawler King Stephen reports that on Wednesday, in the North Sea, he saw Zeppelin L-19, with its cars and part of its body submerged. Twenty of the crew were clinging to the envelope and crying to be taken off. More men appeared on the platform on top of the envelope, and as the crew of the trawler only numbered nine, the captain refused to take the risk of being overpowered. The envelope of the airship was not sinking.

### Turks Abandon Fortress

Petrograd: The Turks have evacuated Erzerum, their principal stronghold in the Caucasus, which the Russians have besieged for some days.

### The Appam Case

Washington: It has been decided that everybody aboard the Appam may land whenever they desire, only the prize crew and officer being interned. This releases twelve British officials whom the Germans wished to hold as military prisoners.

### Australian Loan a Success

Sydney: The second Australian war loan was a magnificent success. The government asked for fifty millions and the response was overwhelming. Australia is heart and soul in the war.


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