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## CONSTANTINE QUIETLY MOBILIZING ARMY

GREEKS MAY JOIN GERMANS AT MONASTIR--BUCHAREST HAS FIGHTING CHANCE

### CONSTANTINE PLANNED TRAP FOR THE ALLIES

Greek King May Join Forces with Mackenzen—Greeks Now Advancing on Port of Piraeus.

London, Dec. 5.—Lord Robert Cecil stated in the House of Commons last night that the recent fighting in Athens against the Entente troops was the result of a deliberate trap treacherously prepared by King Constantine and the Greek government. The Entente Allies are expected to take action immediately to arrive at a solution of their difficulties in Greece.

According to reports from Piraeus, Constantine is quietly mobilizing his forces and preparing to make war against the Allies, intending to co-operate with a section of Von Mackenzen's forces on the Monastir front by attacking General Sarrail's flank. The Greeks are reported to be advancing upon Piraeus.

**Athens Calm.**  
Paris, Dec. 5.—Calm prevails in the city of Athens although armed reservists are moving about the streets.

### MINERS REFUSE TO OBEY INSTRUCTIONS

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Fermie, Dec. 5.—The men in the coal mining camps have resumed work, excepting those at Taber, Diamond City and Drumheller. The miners' organization has threatened to use coercive measures to enforce the men in the latter camps to obey the order issued by the union secretary.

### HIGH COST OF LIVING

At the city council last evening, Ald. Casey raised the question of the position of municipalities in regard to the high cost of living. He understood that the order-in-council recently passed at Ottawa gave certain powers to the municipalities in the matter. He moved that the city solicitor report on the matter at the next council meeting, with a view to taking up the question in Prince Rupert. This was seconded by Ald. Montgomery.

### DEPOT SHELTER

At the city council last evening, Ald. Dybhavn, seconded by Ald. McClymont, moved that the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Co. be asked to provide a shelter at the depot for the protection of passengers or those who have occasion to meet trains. The resolution passed unanimously.

Fancy china, French Limoges and Nippon. Xmas prices at Geo. D. Tite's.

Christmas designs in Waterman's fountain pens. Bulger & Denike.

### VON MACKENZEN COMMANDS THE UNITED ARMIES

Russian Troops Have Changed Situation—Bucharest has a Fighting Chance—Big Scrap in West.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Petrograd, Dec. 5.—The timely arrival of fresh troops before Bucharest has changed the Rumanian situation. According to military experts, the arrival of Russian reinforcements gives the defenders a fighting chance of saving the Rumanian capital.

**Berlin Report.**  
London, Dec. 5.—A Berlin report on the Rumanian situation indicates that the Teutonic armies operating in that country have been incorporated under the command of General Von Mackenzen.

**Western Front.**  
Paris, Dec. 5.—There is artillery activity in the region of Dixmude, and severe fighting is in progress on the Somme front and also in the Vaux and Douaumont districts on the Verdun front.

Berlin reports that, following mine explosions, several British patrols succeeded in entering the German trenches on the Belgian front but were unable to maintain their advantage, being isolated from their main supports.



**Where British Gains are Piling up**  
In this big action the British went ahead so fast that the wounded were collected while the action was still under way, many being able to walk to the rear unhindered.

### SENATOR KERR DEAD

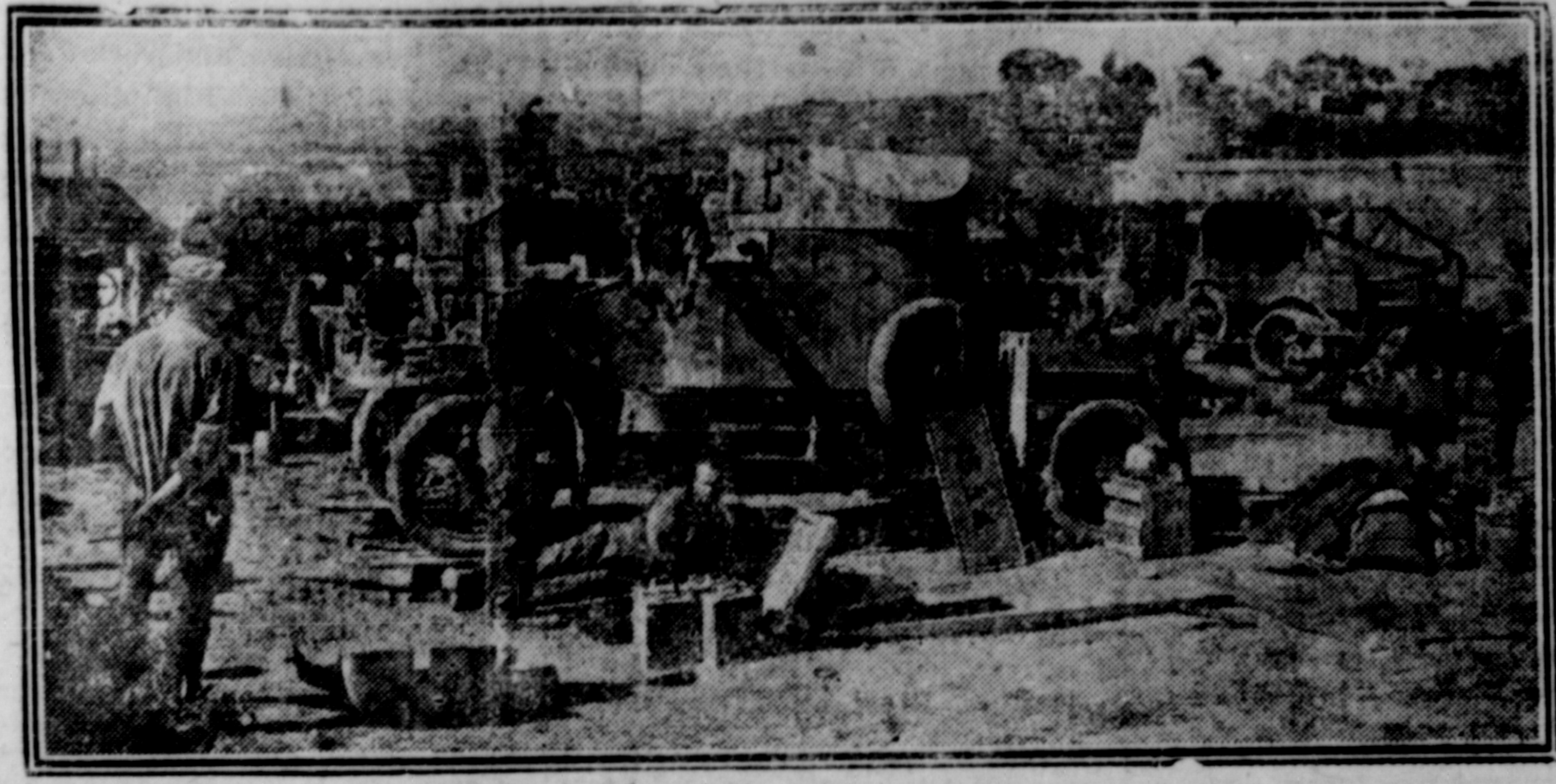
Toronto, Dec. 5.—Senator J. K. Kerr died here last night. He had for years been very active and prominent in financial circles in Toronto and was a director of many large corporations.

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BRITAIN'S MODERN "SHIPS OF THE DESERT".—The photograph shows a fleet of armored motor cars in the desert in Asia Minor being groomed before going into action. This type of vehicle has been found very effective against the Turks.

### OPEN LEADS CAUSED THE WIRE TROUBLES

At the city council last night, Superintendent Kennedy made a further report on the interruption in the light and telephone service. He pointed out that the storm which caused the trouble was the worst ever experienced in the district, so far as its effect on the wires was concerned. He stated that the great damage done was to the open wire leads, the maintenance of which had been rather neglected during the past two years, the idea being to spend as little as possible on the maintenance of the system, with a view to putting in a new system, for which the cable was purchased two years ago or more. He considered that the city got off very lightly in the way of damage, considering the circumstances.

He referred the council to his report last May when he took over the system, when he stated that the outside telephone equipment was in very bad condition. At that time, he was advised of the situation and that the light committee of 1914 and 1915 had contemplated the remodelling of the system, and that very little maintenance work had been done and that there was no money available for the work.

Realizing the condition of the plant, he had caused a large amount of maintenance work to be done during the last six months. Some districts had held up against the storm but others had become completely demoralized. He referred particularly to the open wire leads in the downtown district. The superintendent produced specimens of this wire showing that it was so badly rusted that it was impossible to make joints with it.

It had been suggested that lack of help had been a cause in delaying the complete resumption of the service. He pointed out that the outside crew had not been reduced during the year and that there were as many men available as in 1915. The reductions made had been inside the telephone office and at the steam plant and these had no bearing whatever on the situation which had arisen.

Following the storm of Nov. 20th, he found that of our 400 odd lines, constituting some 800 telephones, 185, or from 350 to

400 telephones, were out of order. This number was reduced during that week to 50 and on Saturday last to 17. The high winds and rains which followed the snow had caused intermittent trouble through the wires swinging together.

The chief cause of the delay was the clearing away of the live wires connected with the light and power systems, in order to avert any danger to the public, and particularly the clearing up of the fire alarm system.

Superintendent Kennedy submitted a financial statement showing that \$2,624 had been spent on maintenance for the nine months ending September 30th, while for the whole of 1914, a total of \$2,499.72 had been expended, showing that this council had not been cutting down on maintenance of the system but had actually increased it. He said that an analysis of the figures would show that the bulk of the sum spent this year had been spent on outside work and that a considerable reduction had been made in inside expenditure.

The report showed that there had been no complete cut-off in power or lighting and that the trouble in these departments was purely local, resulting from contacts with foreign wires. Had the telephone system held out, they would have come through the storm without any interruption.

The superintendent submitted a financial statement showing that the light and telephone departments are in a very healthy condition financially and that the year will be completed with a good surplus, in spite of the fact that a reduction of 42½ per cent had been made in the amount charged up for street lighting.

Ald. Montgomery said that the report should be given all the publicity possible. There had been criticism and an attempt made in certain quarters to show that an attack had been levelled at municipal ownership. He thought the public should know the true state of matters, as municipal employees were debarred from defending themselves in public and had to depend entirely upon the council.

Ald. McClymont said that he had not heard of any direct attacks, though there may have been statements made on the street. If any attacks had been

### POWER STAKED FOR PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

The city solicitor, at the city council meeting last evening, brought in a report regarding the enquiry of Ald. Casey regarding the staking of a certain water power in the name of G. R. Naden & Company. Mr. Peters stated that, at this stage, it was impossible for the city to do anything in the matter. The company had a legal right to stake the power and, if it showed a disposition to encroach upon the rights of the city, then steps could be taken to prevent its doing so. The company would be obliged to file plans showing its intentions and to advertise notice of same in a local paper and also in the B. C. Gazette, and, until this was done, the city could do nothing. If there were any sign of its interfering with the city's rights and power, it would then be up to the city to take action.

Ald. Montgomery said that his object in seconding the motion of Ald. Casey was to find out the intentions of the company. He thought it was unfair that the company should be allowed to go ahead and spend money on development work if the city were to step in and raise objections at the finish. He understood that Wark Channel provided ample auxiliary power for the city.

Ald. Casey wanted to know just how much power the Wark Channel rights represented to the city. Ald. Montgomery said that he did not think that this had ever been properly surveyed, though he believed that at certain seasons it would be about 30,000 h. p. while in winter it would only be about 2,000 h. p. It all depended on the putting in of the proper dams.

Ald. Nelson said that he did not think the city should worry about the power staked as it lay anywhere from sixty to a hundred miles south of here. He believed that it had been staked with a view to the putting in of an industry which would be of benefit to the city and with no intention of ever bringing power here. The report of the city solicitor was received and filed.

For every two dollars cash purchase you have a chance for three prizes. See Tite's window display.

### HIDDEN BOMBS PLAYED HAVOC AT ARCHANGEL

Russian Agent Says Bombs Were Placed in Cargoes at New York—General Turner in London.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
New York, Dec. 5.—The commercial agent of the Imperial Russian Embassy charges unknown persons with placing bombs in the cargoes of ships loading at the Bush Terminal Company's piers as the cause of the recent explosions at Archangel, resulting in the loss of several million dollars worth of munitions and supplies.

With the object of hiding the evidence, extensive thefts were made at the point of loading and a Brooklyn junk dealer has been arrested for having in his possession stolen articles which have been identified as part of a shipment of binoculars.

**Turner in London.**  
London, Dec. 5.—Major-General Turner has arrived from the front to assume command of the Canadian forces in England.

**Reconstruction.**  
Premier Asquith announces that he has obtained the King's approval of the reconstruction of the government.

### THE CRADLE

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George A. Sweet, 727 Fifth Avenue, West, a son, this morning.

### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

We, the undersigned shoemakers of Prince Rupert, beg to inform the public that, owing to the abnormal rise in price of all materials used in shoe repairing, we are compelled to raise the prices of all shoe repairs as follows:—

Men's shoes, full soles & heels, sewn	\$3.00
" " full soles & heels, nailed	2.50
" " half soles & heels, sewn	2.50
" " half soles & heels, nailed	2.00
" " half soles, sewn	2.00
" " half soles, nailed	1.50
" " heeled	.50
" " Rubber heels	.65
" " new heels	1.00
" " toe caps	1.00
" " Hungarian nails	.50
Men's gum boots, full soles, heels and insoles	2.75
Women's shoes, half soles and heels, sewn	1.75
Women's shoes, half soles and heels, nailed	1.40
Women's shoes, half soles, sewn	1.35
" " half soles, nailed	1.00
" " heeled	.40
" " rubber heels	.50
Boys shoes, 3 to 5, half soles and heels, sewn	1.75
Boys shoes, 3 to 5, half soles and heels, nailed	1.50
Boys shoes, 3 to 5, half soles	1.15
" " 11 to 2, half soles and heels, nailed	1.25
Boys shoes, 11 to 2, half soles, nailed	1.00
" " toe caps	.65
Girls' shoes 2 to 4, half soles & heels	1.15
" " 2 to 4, half soles	.90
" " 11 to 1, half soles & heels	1.00
" " 11 to 1, half soles	.75
Children's shoes, 6 to 10, half soles and heels	.85
Children's shoes, 6 to 10, half soles	.65
Children's shoes, toe caps	.50
Dyeing shoes, men's or women's	.50

(Signed) M. McArthur, D. McLeod, E. Banner, O. Hill, and L. Trommer.

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