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So far as the Dominion police are concerned the law requiring those who may reasonably be supposed to be in class one of the Military Service Act to carry documentary evidence that they are not in class one will be carried out regardless of the fact that thousands of applications for birth and marriage certificates have not been filled and will not be for some days. This is the stand taken by Inspector Tom Flanagan when interviewed Saturday.

"There is no change in the law which came into force today," he said, "and we intend to carry it out to the letter. Everything is working out smoothly thus far."

There was a larger mail received at the offices of the registrar-general, parliament buildings, Saturday morning, than on any previous day during the week, and in all it is figured that some 50,000 letters have been received and answered during the month of May. The demand for birth and marriage certificates does not abate in view of the fact that June 1 is here and that everybody is supposed to be armed with the necessary documents to show that he is not liable for military service in class one.

All day Saturday and all Sunday night the staff was kept at work, and it was anticipated that it would be necessary to keep a staff at work Sunday. Until the work is finally completed there will be no let-up either day or night.

RELIEF OFFICERS REPORT. The city relief officers issued 609 orders last month for admission to hospitals, and received 3877 from those patients who were able to pay partial maintenance charges. The city also, during the month, buried twelve people.

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"The battle was violent also in the region of Chouy and Neuilly (in the centre of the western side of the salient). The French broke up German attacks and maintained their lines immediately to the east of these localities.

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A Great Crop Under Way.

"The country's growing dollar bills at a great rate," said an Ontario farmer, speaking of the crop advance all over the province for the past week. The outlook is favorable in every kind of grain and fodder. There are not many farms that have actually fallen back because of labor, tho' it has been a strain to get in the seed and the ground prepared for corn and roots. But it is all pretty well in and growing in a most promising way. Every one must now turn in to help to do the final planting, and then to start in to get off the hay toward the end of June. The dairy farmers never did as well as they are doing now; so also those raising live stock. It looks as if writing that we're going to have a banner crop. Reports from the Canadian west and from the United States are also encouraging.

BOMBS WERE DROPPED IN REGION OF PARIS

Enemy Airplanes Failed in First Attempt to Bomb Paris, But Succeeded Later.

NEW TROOPS THROWN INTO THE FIGHT.

With the French Army in France, June 1.—The enemy is increasing unceasingly the number of troops engaged in the battle. The general idea when the offensive began appears to have been that each enemy division should occupy a front of only 2000 yards. Since that time the line of battle has been extended, and in order to maintain the density of the attacking army further units have been brought from the rear and thrown into the fight. The time and place of the return blow by the allies seem to be puzzling the German commanders who are endeavoring to secure strong points for pivots. The task of strengthening the retiring divisions of the allies where it is necessary was placed in the hands of local reserves. It has been carried out exceedingly well under the difficult circumstances. The formidable nature of the German effort of May may be gathered from the identification of nearly fifty of their divisions, about 650,000 men. There are a number of other divisions in immediate support. All of them were engaged in the March battle and afterwards were sent to the rear to be fitted out and to receive special training.

VATICAN KNEW NOTHING.

Disclaims All Knowledge of Irish Bishops' Manifesto Against Conscription.

REVOLUTIONARIES DESTROY CROPS.

Washington, June 1.—The Germans are using artillery to put down the peasant revolt in Ukraine, said despatches received here today from the Petrograd telegraph bureau. The revolutionaries are said to be destroying forests, crops and refuse to surrender agricultural implements.

### See the New Comics

The Sunday World today presents to its 100,000 subscribers the best new comic pages on the market. Look them over. The Katzenjammer Kids, Polly and Her Pals, Maud the Mule, and Tom Sawyer make up four pages of "funnies" that are surpassed nowhere and equaled by few. As stated last week, an important announcement in connection with Tom Sawyer is to be made. Look over the back page of the comic section. Read everything you can about the famous character. Get your parents to tell you all about Tom and his chum, Huck Finn. Then read The Sunday World next week and see what you can do with the information you have gathered.

### BRITISH MAKE GAINS

London, June 1.—Field Marshal Haig's report from British headquarters in France tonight says: "In the course of fighting in the neighborhood of Aveluy Wood, reported this morning, our troops advanced their line by successful local attacks and captured over thirty prisoners.

"On the remainder of the British front there is nothing to report but the usual artillery activity on both sides.

"The number of German prisoners captured by us during the month of May is 1,156, including 29 officers."

### COMPARATIVELY QUIET FOR CANADIAN TROOPS

Troops Constantly Harass the Foe and Have Secured Repeated Successes of a Minor Nature Against Enemy, With Resultant Casualties Light.

By Canadian Press Correspondent. Canadian Army Headquarters, June 1.—While the allies are fighting gallantly between the Aisne and the Marne against the second powerful German offensive, comparative quiet continues for the Canadian troops.

Our men have secured repeated successes of a minor nature against the enemy. In raid and patrol operations they have repulsed one German attack in strength, with heavy losses to the enemy, but outside of such infantry operations there is so far only a marked increase in the enemy's bombing and shelling of our rear areas to indicate any increased hostile activity.

In successful minor operations against enemy posts French-Canadian troops captured a number of prisoners and inflicted many casualties on the Boche. After a very effective artillery, trench mortar and machine gun barrage the raiders attacked in four parties. The first two, operating to the right, rushed the enemy post and found the Boche had retired. They continued to advance up a small enemy trench to a large dugout, which appeared to be full of men. Four Germans who came out offered fight and were killed. The fifth was taken prisoner. Between fifty and sixty bombs were then thrown down the dugout entrance. Another prisoner was captured in a shell hole, but afterwards was killed by a shell. A third was captured and brought back to our lines.

Saskatchewan Troops. Other parties working to the left rushed an enemy post, killing two and wounding a third. Six of the enemy who endeavored to run away were caught and killed by our barrage.

### ALLIED RAIDS AFFECT PEOPLE.

Washington, June 1.—Allied air raids on German towns are demoralizing the German people. Advice to the state department today said that the effect upon the populations of cities bombed was far greater than heretofore reported.

### SMALL BOY LOST.

Six-year-old Sydney Comwall has been missing from his home since early Saturday morning. He was dressed in a white blouse and khaki trousers.

### SUNDAY WAR NEWS

In view of the likelihood of special war news on Sunday, The World has made provisions for getting exact information during the day. This news may be received at any time by phoning The World editorial rooms, Main-5308.

### CONTAGIOUS DISEASES SHOWN ON DECLINE

With the Exception of Measles Toronto is Remarkably Free From Dangerous Epidemics.

With the exception of an outbreak of measles Toronto is remarkably free from contagious diseases. During the past month there were no deaths from typhoid. The number of cases of measles reported to the medical health department was 1090, as compared with 274 in the same month last year and 156 cases of mumps as compared with only 42 in May last year. There was a considerable increase in marriages and births, as the following table shows:

|           | May, '18. | May, '17. | April, '18. |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Births    | 1185      | 1080      | 1055        |
| Marriages | 407       | 433       | 450         |
| Deaths    | 523       | 558       | 689         |

### Met Blasting Reception.

While our men have been constantly disturbing and harassing the enemy in such operations, the Boche, under cover of a heavy barrage, has made one attempt to raid our trenches. Advancing in two parties, each approximately forty-five strong, the raiders met with such a blasting reception from our machine guns and rifles that they retired before reaching our trenches.

In retiring they were caught by our artillery, which also swept their supporting companies, and the enemy suffered very heavy casualties getting back. Our casualties were light.

### BRITISH FRONT QUIET.

Quiet prevails on the British front, except for artillery fire, which was most notable east of Amiens and in the Albert region to the north.

London newspapers reflect anxiety in the British capital over the military situation in the west as developed by the new offensive. Stress is laid on the assistance the American forces are expected to give in restoring allied preponderance in numbers, and confidence in the final outcome is expressed.

Paris comment is, as has been the case all along, more optimistic, the military critics, while viewing the situation as serious, regard the indications as more reassuring.

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