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## GERMANS REGAIN FORT DOUAMONT IN FURIOUS BATTLE

### BRITISH AND RUSSIANS ARE SOON TO JOIN MAIN FORCES IN MESOPOTAMIA

#### Von Buelow Is Reported Bound for the U.S. on Peace Mission

### RUSSIAN LINES TO EXTEND TO BRITISH FORCE

Real Union of Allied Forces to Come in Mesopotamia.

### FILL GAPS IN FRONT

Our's, Armies Present Connected Wall Enmeshing Turks.

PETROGRAD, May 24, via London, 10:45 p.m.—No news has yet been received from Russian sources regarding the junction effected between Russian cavalry and Lieut.-Gen. Sir George Spring's force below Kut-el-Amara in Mesopotamia and except as a present forerunner of a real union of the main Russian and British forces in Mesopotamia which is expected in the near future by military observers, the event is not regarded here as of especial importance. It furnishes, however, an interesting indication that the activity of the Russian forces in Persia is by no means confined to points mentioned in the official statements.

The Russian cavalry band which joined the British probably set out from Kermanshah along the difficult mountain roads paralleling the western border of the Persian Province of Luristan and succeeded in crossing the Mesopotamian frontier somewhere east of Kut-el-Amara.

### MACNEILL GUILTY OF SHARE IN REBELLION

Sentence Upon President of Sinn Fein Volunteers Not Yet Announced.

DUBLIN, May 24.—(Via London, 3:22 a.m.)—John MacNeill, president of the Sinn Fein Volunteers, was found guilty by a court-martial of complicity in the Irish rebellion. His sentence will be promulgated within a day or two.

## WAR SUMMARY

### THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

WHILE the struggle in Italy has lessened in intensity, the fighting went on yesterday with, if anything, increased ferocity before Verdun. It will be noted that when the conflict in France became more violent, the Austrian efforts against Italy diminished, but they did not altogether cease. This seems to add confirmation to the observation that the enemy can fight a heavy engagement only at one point in one theatre at one time. This inability is probably due to the direction of the German and Austrian campaigns by only one man, Von Falkenhayn, chief of the German general staff.

At any rate the fighting before Verdun has lessened the pressure on Italy for the time being, and has enabled the Italians to effect withdrawals to stronger defensive positions and to bring up additional reinforcements.

It is the prolonged nature of the struggle of Verdun, now in its 94th day, that has made it so wearisome. The French latterly have been forcing the Germans to fight by threatening attacks and by regaining ground lost during a combat. It is evident that the situation has assisted them for the part that they are playing. When offered British assistance General Joffre refused for the reason that France had adequate reserves to cope with the enemy. The lengthening of the struggle, which has been partly owing to French threats to retake the territory lost in the initial stages of the battle, probably indicates that the French, in especially refraining from striking at the Germans in some other sector of the front, are fighting Germany for exhaustion. This is probably one of the reasons for the assertion that the war will be decided in the west.

Before Verdun, where the fighting has been as furious as the fighting at Inkerman, the French were pushed back by sheer weight of numbers from Fort Douaumont and from Cumieres Village, east and west of the Meuse yesterday. They rallied and regained some of the trenches on the southern outskirts of Cumieres Village, which is after all but a group of houses on a single street. Three divisions were brought up by the enemy to storm Le Mort Homme during the night and the fighting raged with great fury. In general the attack was repulsed and the gain at Cumieres Village is of slight importance, else the Germans would have immediately

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### ORANGE YOUNG BRITONS MEETING AT OTTAWA

Capt. Kidd, Returned Soldier, Will Likely Become Grand Master.

OTTAWA, May 24.—The grand lodge of the Orange Young Britons of North America opened its 36th annual convention here today. Grand Master S. A. Moffatt of Toronto is presiding at the sessions, and in his address referred to the great number of members of the order who are serving in the ranks of the Canadian expeditionary forces.

Today's sessions were of a business nature and a reception was held tonight. It is likely that Captain T. A. Kidd of the 2nd Battalion, C.E.F., who recently returned from the front, will be selected as next year's grand master.

### GERMANS ALMOST STARVED CAPTIVES

Many Would Have Died But for Parcels Sent From England.

### NO REPRISALS PLANNED

Tennant Points Out That Such Course Would Have Grave Effect.

LONDON, May 24.—Replying to questions in the house, Harold J. Tennant, parliamentary under-secretary for war, said it had been learned thru information received from men who had been prisoners in Germany that, if it had not been for parcels sent from England, prisoners in many instances would have starved. The German scale of rations, he added, had been disregarded in many cases with serious consequences to the prisoners affected.

Urged by members to treat German prisoners in England in a similar manner, Mr. Tennant appealed to the house to consider the grave effect which might be produced if such a course were followed. "If the Germans choose to treat our prisoners in the way described," he said, "it could not be argued that we should do as they do."

Admiral Sir Hedworth Meux, Unionist member for Portsmouth, suggested that the facts be brought to the personal notice of Emperor William.

### PEACE CANNOT BE CONSIDERED GREY DECLARES

German People, Fed With Lies, in No Mood to Yield.

### MUST SUPPORT ALLIES

Firm Answer Given Critic Who Complained of War's Prolongation.

LONDON, May 24.—The recent interview of Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, in which he said there could be no end to the war until the Prussian idea of peace—an iron peace imposed on other nations by German supremacy—was defeated and renounced, and the peace talk that has followed the interval, was brought up in the house of commons today by Arthur Ponsonby, Liberal member for the Strirling division of Scotland.

Mr. Ponsonby argued in favor of countenancing peace possibilities and against prolonging the war merely for the sake of obligations to Great Britain's allies. The speaker said if the war had to be continued until Constantinople fell, or until the unknown obligations to allies were fulfilled, the country ought to be told what those obligations are, and if there were no essential differences between Germany and Great Britain and no such obligations, the government ought to take the earliest opportunity to press for a termination of the war.

Time Not Arrived. Sir Edward Grey in replying, pointed out that his interview contained no new declarations. He had no prepared speech or statement to make, but he said if he thought the German Government or German opinion had reached the point where the allies' governments could bring a peace compatible with their desire nearer by making a dozen of them, he would make ministerial added, that time had not yet arrived and the allies were bound by common obligations not to put forward any terms of peace except by mutual agreement.

### STIRRING APPEAL BY ITALY'S KING

Order Addressed to Forces on Anniversary of War Declaration.

### NEW EFFORTS NEEDED

Victors in a Hundred Combats Must Make More Sacrifices.

ROME, via Paris, May 24.—King Victor Emmanuel has addressed the following order of the day to the army and navy: "Soldiers of land and sea: Responding with enthusiasm to the appeal of the country year ago, you hastened to fight, in conjunction with our brave allies, our hereditary enemy, and assure the realization of our national claims."

"After having surmounted difficulties of nature, you have fought in a hundred combats and won, for you have the ideal of Italy in your heart. But the country again asks of you new efforts and more sacrifices. I do not doubt that you will know how to give new proofs of bravery and force of mind. The country, proud and grateful, sustains you in your arduous task by its fervent affection, its calm demeanor and its admirable confidence. I sincerely hope that fortune will accompany us in future battles, as you occupy my constant thoughts."

The order was issued from the general headquarters of the army today. In all the leading Italian towns demonstrations in celebration of the anniversary of Italy's entrance into the war assumed imposing proportions. In Rome those taking part in a big demonstration acclaimed the queen and royal family, as well as the ambassador of the allies.

HAD BATTLE WITH SOLDIERS. John Molish, South street, New Toronto, had his nose and forehead gashed in a fight with two soldiers at the corner of Queen street and University avenue yesterday afternoon. He was taken to the General Hospital in the police ambulance.

### LADYSMITH HERO'S SON ARRESTED IN ENGLAND

Capt. White, D.S.O., Tried to Incite Strike to Assist Sinn Feiners.

LONDON, May 24.—Capt. James R. White, formerly of the First Gordon Highlanders, and a son of the late Field Marshal Sir George White, the defender of Ladysmith, was sentenced today to three months' imprisonment at Aberystwyth, Wales. He was convicted under the Defence of the Realm Act of having attempted to induce coal miners to strike in order to compel the government to show leniency toward the leaders of the rebellion in Ireland.

After leaving the army, in which he won the Distinguished Service Order for his services during the Boer war, Capt. White became a Socialist. He went to Ireland to live and took part in the riotous Larkin strike in Dublin in 1914. Later he joined the Sinn Fein Society.

### SIR DOUGLAS HAIG SURE OF SUCCESS

British Commander Sends Empire Day Greetings to Ottawa.

### JOFFRE PAYS TRIBUTE

Brilliant Deeds of Canadians Excite Much Admiration, He Says.

OTTAWA, May 24.—The Duke of Connaught on the occasion of Empire Day has received messages from Gen. Sir Douglas Haig, commander-in-chief of the British armies in France, and from Gen. Joffre, generalissimo of the armies in France, to which the latter added to his cable, expressing full confidence in the ultimate victory of allied arms and greetings to the people of the Dominion. Gen. Joffre adds a word of admiration for the fighting qualities of the overseas forces.

Gen. Haig's cablegram follows: "All ranks under my command in France join with me in greetings on Empire Day to our fellow subjects throughout his majesty's dominions—representatives of every part of these dominions bound together not only by ties of blood, but by similarity of ideals and loyalty to one crown and one flag. Our armies are united heart and soul in this great fight for freedom and justice, the old watchwords of our race. Confident in ourselves, in the ungrudging help and support of our kin throughout the world and in our gallant allies, we look forward to certain victory."

### AUSTRIANS HALT DRIVES ON ITALY

Preparations Made to Resume Heavy Fighting in Trentino.

### ALLIES TO ATTACK FOE

Enemy's Furious Efforts Designed to Tire Out Western Powers.

SPECIAL Cable to The Toronto World. LONDON, May 24.—The fighting on the Italian frontier has suddenly slackened, only a few isolated attacks being reported and military observers at Rome assert that it has been necessary for the Austrians to replace their losses and to bring up fresh troops for a stronger offensive. It is believed that the Austrian commanders are planning to extend the line of attack, for large assemblages of reinforcements continue to be reported on the northern banks of Lake Garda. These troops intend, it is believed, to attempt an invasion of Italy along the northern province of Brescia.

### BRITISH ATTACK FOES ALONG RIDGE OF VIMY

Situation in Flanders Reported as Generally Unchanged.

SPECIAL Cable to The Toronto World. LONDON, May 24.—The Germans still occupy the 1500 yards of front line trenches which they captured on the Vimy ridge the other day. They were accompanied by a large number of British troops, which pushed parties of the enemy back to the trench. The usual artillery activity prevailed about Boelencourt, the Houtzagerre redoubt, Wytschaete and St. Eloi.

THE DAY'S BEST TIP. Lend dignity to the crowd. Go to the races wearing a Dineen hat. Every successful man wears a really good hat. Even when a man loses his money at the races he still looks prosperous and satisfied if his hat came from Dineen's, 140 Yonge street.

### BUELOW GOING TO WILSON AS KAISER'S AGENT

Such is Report in London, But Washington Shows Skepticism.

### TO OUST BERNSTORFF?

Prince Frequently Mentioned of Late as Germany's Peace Negotiator.

LONDON, May 24, 11:55 p.m.—A rumor that Prince Von Buelow is to visit the United States as a peace delegate is current in diplomatic circles here, but up to the present hour it has not been possible to obtain confirmation from any authoritative source.

The rumor, however, attracts much attention in consideration of the fact that Prince Von Buelow was lately summoned to see the German emperor, and that, as he has not been in office during the war, he can disclaim any share in the conducting of the war.

The Exchange Telegraph Company says it learns from diplomatic circles that Prince Von Buelow, former German chancellor, is proceeding to Washington, charged by Emperor William with a special mission.

The Exchange Telegraph Company also says it understands Prince Von Buelow will become ambassador to the United States. This information is said to have been obtained from diplomatic circles in London.

Prince Von Buelow, one of the foremost statesmen of Europe, has been referred to frequently in the last few months as the man who might be selected by Emperor William to conduct preliminary peace negotiations should they be undertaken. He had been mentioned in this connection not only on account of his experience and recognized ability but because he has occupied rather a detached position so far as actual conduct of the war is concerned.

Late in 1914 the former chancellor was sent to Rome by the emperor and succeeded in delaying Italy's declaration of war on

### ENEMY REWON BATTERED FORT FROM FRENCH

In Renewed Assaults, Germans Regained Douaumont Fortress.

### CUMIERES ALSO FELL

Teutons Got Into Village, But Later Lost Some Ground.

SPECIAL Cable to The Toronto World. LONDON, May 24.—In the fighting which continued with great fierceness before Verdun today, the Germans brought up reinforcements and gained Cumieres Village and the interior of Fort Douaumont, but the French clung successfully to the approaches of the fort and they also rallied. Towards midnight they retook trenches situated on the southern outskirts of the village.

The German success at Fort Douaumont was due to the arrival of two new divisions of Bavarians who were sufficiently numerous to overwhelm, by nightfall, the French forces in the fort. The enemy repulsed the bombardment this morning in the region of this fort, which he particularly set out to gain. Furious attacks were made in succession with the fresh troops throughout the day and the enemy was repeatedly driven back with enormous losses. But the weight of numbers launched against this particular position told at last.

The Germans simultaneously made an attempt to outflank the French positions in the Callette wood and they were completely checked by the French gun and infantry fire.

The Germans undertook a powerful offensive against the French positions to the east of Le Mort Homme in the night but generally failed. The attempt was unsuccessful, but after a fierce hand-to-hand struggle they made their way into a portion of Cumieres Village. Over three German divisions confronted the French at this point. They also attacked Fort Douaumont with great determination and failed after a desperate all night struggle. The sacrifice of men by the enemy round this position has been appalling. The Germans assert that their troops occupied Cumieres Village.

### LEADING CITIZEN R. J. SCORE DEAD

Was Identified With Many Organizations Pertaining to City's Welfare.

### A LOVER OF HORSES

Ex-Alderman, Member of the Board of Trade, Conservative and Great Traveler.

The death of R. J. Score, president of the R. Score & Son, Limited, one of Toronto's leading citizens, occurred at his late residence, 612 Huron street, yesterday morning. He was born in Toronto in 1842, and during the greater part of his life had been actively associated with various organizations and had always been keenly interested in the welfare of the city.

He was a man of irreproachable character, an earnest worker in the church, being formerly a member of the old Elm Street Methodist Church, and was superintendent of the Sunday school for twenty-five years. Latterly he attended the Timothy Eaton Memorial. He had been president of the Sabbath School Association of Ontario and was chairman of the executive committee for years.

He was formerly first vice-president of the National Exhibition and was connected with this organization for years, being one of the oldest directors. As a reward for his valuable services he was made an honorary director and was presented with a gold medal.

The late Mr. Score was a member of the Toronto Board of Trade, St. George's Society and of Ionic Orange Lodge. For many years he was associated with the old Toronto Hunt Club, and attended the first meet of the hounds fifty years ago. He was a lover of the kindly sport and rode regularly every morning for the past forty years. He was a clean sport and a great lover of horse racing, but never made a bet in his life.

When a young man he was lieutenant in the Q.O.R., and when the late King Edward, then Prince of Wales, visited Toronto in 1860, he was one of the marshals who led the procession on horseback. He traveled widely, his business calling him to visit the different countries of Europe and he had crossed the ocean 68 times. In politics he was a Conservative.

During the majority of the late Edward Clarke, Mr. Score visited Ottawa several times and was the means of getting the minister of militia to provide for the present adequate rifle ranges.

Still he found time to attend to other duties in his busy career. He represented St. John's ward as alderman for years, was chairman of the parks and gardens committee and was president of the Ontario Ladies' College at Whitby. He was also a justice of the peace.

He is survived by his wife, three sons, Tom W. Score of St. Paul, Minn.; Frank M. and Fred L., of Toronto, and two daughters, Mrs. R. Taylor Shillington, Halleybury, and Mrs. J. E. Potts of Toronto. The funeral will be held on Friday.

### DINGHY CAPSIZED WHEN STRUCK BY FERRY BOAT

Occupants Thrown in Bay But Were Rescued by Gasoline Launch.

Colliding with the Bluebell ferry boat in charge of Captain Enright, about midnight, between Centre Island and the Toronto shore, yesterday afternoon, a dinghy owned by W. G. Whitehouse of 889 Lake Shore road, Centre Island, capsized, Mr. Whitehouse and his companion being thrown into the water. They were rescued by the gasoline launch Beaver. The dinghy was later recovered by Captain Chapman and taken to the life-saving station.

### ARE MARRIED IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, May 24.—The marriage of Godfrey Duckworth Armitage, headquarters artillery, to Joan Foot, daughter of Lady Drummond, is announced. Col. Noel Marshall of the Canadian Red Cross has arrived in London.

### ITALIAN SHIP SUNK.

Orealls Came to Grief Off Barcelona. LONDON, May 25, 12:51 a.m.—The Italian ship Orealla has been sunk off Barcelona, according to Lloyds.

The last record of the Orealla was when she sailed April 17 last from Norfolk for Ravenna, Italy.

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