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## Bombardment By German Artillery In West Flanders Continues

### Also Further Infantry Attacks on Allies East of Ypres — Striking Comment in New York Herald Cable

Paris, Dec. 4.—The official announcement says—"The Germans are continuing their bombardment of the allies' lines in West Flanders. Further German infantry attacks are being launched against the Anglo-French positions of Ypres. A full has fallen on the greater part of the center.

"In the Argonne region several attacks of the German infantry were repulsed by the allies, notably the attacks made against the northwest corner of the forest of Lagrange. In Lorraine and in the Vosges there were some artillery engagements. In Alsace there was nothing to report."

**STRIKING COMMENT.**

New York, Dec. 4.—Under the caption of "An air raid on Krupp's" the Herald says editorially—

"The daring and skill of the aviators in the service of the allies again has been demonstrated, according to the despatches, this time by an attack from the air on the Krupp gun factory at Essen.

"Even Dr. Bernhard Dernburg may be able to detect a difference in the methods pursued by the opposing forces in the western theatre of war as applied to fighting from the sky. To damage the great war factory of the German empire, is one thing; to hurt bombs on the women and children of cities without possibility of obtaining military advantage, is another. It will be interesting to note what parallel the apologists for the Kaiser will be able to draw between Essen and Antwerp."

**THE KING AT THE FRONT**

London, Dec. 4.—The Daily Mail correspondent in Northern France telegraphs—

"King George inspected the British troops yesterday in the region of Bailleul and Armentieres, south of Ypres. He had a great reception from the soldiers, especially from those in the trenches, and the bomb proof shelters which he inspected. He spoke to the officers and men, expressing his admiration of the splendid fighting they had done. A desultory German cannonade is going on in the district the king inspected."

"King George in the inspection of the allied troops on Tuesday was accompanied by President Poincare, King Albert of the Belgians, Lord Kitchener, General Joffre and Sir John French."

## DESPERATE EFFORT TO CROSS YSER

### FROSTRATED; GERMANS LOSE HEAVILY

London, Dec. 4.—Before dawn yesterday a large force of Germans crossed the flood waters of the Yser by means of big broad rafts, says the correspondent of the Daily News in Northern France under date of December 3. The venture was a desperate one for not a man who set out on it could have been ignorant of the fact that shallow water was almost certainly awaiting him. The rafts were punned through the shallows in dead silence and in utter darkness. Each carried fifty or more men and some machine guns. In preparation for dawn a further fleet of rafts drawn by motor boats was waiting on the German side of the muddy water, but before dawn came the plot was discovered.

When daylight did arrive the artillery of the allies met the advancing Germans with devastating effect, despite their losses, the Germans, braved even to madness, still essayed the crossing until mid-day. Several rafts were upset in mid-stream by the fire of the French guns and a great number of Germans were drowned, while others were shot.

**LANDING TROOPS AT ANTIVARI**

London, Dec. 4.—A Central News despatch from Berlin gives a rumor that several transports, escorted by British and French warships, have reached Antivari, Montenegro and the Austrian ships guarding the coast retired before them, but Austrian aeroplanes are active making disembarkation unsafe.

**GERMANS ARREST BELGIAN DOCTORS**

Amsterdam Dec. 4.—A Flushing correspondent says that Belgians are impatient because German have arrested fifty-five Belgian medical men, who believed that they had been granted safe conduct. They have been imprisoned in Heildberg. The Germans say it is retaliation against the French.

Burgomaster Max of Brussels complains that he has been transferred from a fortress to a convict prison and treated like a desperate criminal rather than a military prisoner. He had declined to pay part of the indemnity levied on his city by the Germans.

**BODY NOT YET FOUND**

There is still no sign of the body of the painter who fell from the new bridge into the falls and was drowned. The Dominion Bridge Co. have cabled the chief of police in St. John's, Nfld., where the man is believed to have a sister. Nothing more is known about him, as there was no information found among his effects. His death was purely accidental and due to losing his balance. There was no breakage of gear.

**NEW PARTNERSHIP**

The Royal Gazette this week contains notice of the formation of a partnership between Patrick J., and Philip Fitzpatrick as general directors to continue the business for so many years carried on successfully by their father, P. Fitzpatrick in Waterville street. The new firm is to be known as Fitzpatrick Bros.

**WEATHER BULLETIN**

Phelix and Pherdinand

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Sharp, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—A depression now developing over the east gulf states is likely to become important and cause stormy conditions from the Great Lakes eastward. The weather is now fair over Canada and for the most part moderately cold.

Fair and colder

Maritime—Northwest shifting to northeast winds, fair and colder.

New England—Forecast—increasing cloudiness tonight, probably followed by rain or snow late tonight and on Saturday; fresh to strong northeast winds.

## CARVELL DECLINES THE LEADERSHIP, WOULD STAY IN FEDERAL POLITICS

### Strong Address at Conference in Fredericton Today—Committee to Select Chieftain and Report This Afternoon

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 4.—Another step towards good government for New Brunswick was taken this morning when the same representative gathering which last night acclaimed Messrs. Carvell and Dugal as men who had blazed the trail by exposing corruption rampant in the administration of the province met in convention and discussed plans for a platform for the new "Abolish the Bag" party and appointed a committee which will report this afternoon on the choice of a leader.

C. J. Osman of Albert was chosen chairman of the convention, which met at 10:30 in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, and P. J. Higgins, secretary. On being called upon, Mr. Carvell made it plain that he wished to remain in federal politics, and represent the combined constituency of Carleton-Victoria after the next election. "I am old enough now not to mind what might be said about my running away if I were to forsake the federal field," he said, "but I do not consider it my duty or a necessity at the present time for me to enter provincial politics as leader. The province does not want an orator or a shining light in the political firmament, but a plain business man who has made a success of his own business. We have seen the result of making premier a man who was a failure in life before he entered politics; a man who did not have two co-pessers to resist against each other, and who now leaves the financial affairs of the province in a hopeless condition. I must say I feel ashamed this morning to acknowledge that I am from Carleton county, where such a man as the premier of New Brunswick was nominated as a candidate for House of Commons."

Mr. Carvell spoke of the importance of formulating a new policy for the administration of crown lands and of the highways of the province. In referring to the proposal to issue bonds for \$5,000,000 to expend on permanent roads, he said: "Lord forbid that this policy be carried out if the present crowd is to handle the money, for there would be another carnival of boodling, besides which the Valley Railway grant would pale into insignificance."

"But we need not worry. In the eyes of the financial world with this government in power New Brunswick is bankrupt. They could not raise \$50,000 in the markets of the world. Remember, New Brunswick is not bankrupt; she has immense resources and can pay a reasonable expenditure, but we must have a change in the men in charge of affairs, and I assume that a change will come at the first opportunity."

A committee, consisting of the following, was then chosen to consider the choice of a leader and report in the afternoon—S. S. Ryan, A. B. Copp, Geo. W. Uplam, Geo. M. Bryon, O. M. Turgeon, M.P.; A. T. Legg, L. A. Dugal, Dr. C. A. Murray, A. T. LeBlanc, R. T. Hayes, Amadote Anderson, J. E. Porter, Geo. F. Burden, M. A. Smith, E. S. Carter and Geo. H. King.

Hon. Dr. Pugsley spoke briefly, and the discussion on crown land policy and other matters was continued by John Dickie of Restigouche, P. J. Vesiot, W. F. Todd, of Charlottetown, J. E. Porter and others.

## NO INTENTION OF TAKING ACTION AGAINST BERRY

### THE GOVERNMENT

What Will Follow The Stepping Out of Premier Flemming?

The announcement by Premier Flemming that he has resigned his office and his seat in the legislature in order to accept the nomination in Victoria-Carleton opens up another interesting situation in the Conservative party.

It is expected that Hon. George J. Clarke, who has been acting premier, will be asked to accept that office and form a government of his own. To do so he will need another member and this is supposed to be the time when J. B. M. Baxter will be rewarded with a seat in the cabinet. He would be expected to take the portfolio of attorney-general, become minister of lands and mines.

There is one difficulty in the way of this arrangement and that is the claims of other politicians and other sections of the province, who feel that to the appointment on the ground that others are more entitled to recognition, as well as because St. John already has one member of the cabinet, for instance, is not represented, and there is liable to be strong opposition from that source.

When asked about the government situation this morning Hon. George J. Clarke, acting premier, said that he knew nothing of the change except what he had read in the morning papers. He did not know when the resignation of the premier was forwarded to the lieutenant-governor but he had not received any official information on the subject.

"Whatever the government will do it will do right, as it has always done since 1911," he smilingly remarked.

## NEW VICE PRESIDENT OF C. P. R. ONLY 37

### Appointment of E. W. Beattie is Announced Today

Montreal, Dec. 4.—E. W. Beattie, general counsel of the C. P. R., has been appointed chief counsel and vice-president. He is only thirty-seven years old.

**HOME FOR INCURABLES**

At the monthly meeting of the board of governors of the Home for Incurables, held last evening, a bequest of \$5,000 from the late Robert Thompson was acknowledged. It was reported that during the month two patients had died and three had been admitted. As there was only one vacancy before December 1, the house is now filled. It was reported that the new electric lighting system had been installed and was proving very satisfactory. Much credit was given to F. Neil Brodie, who superintended the work free of charge and the thanks of the meeting was extended to him.

## THE WHEAT MARKET

Chicago, Dec. 4.—After opening 1-8 to 8-8 higher, the wheat market hesitated somewhat, but then scored a moderate new upturn.

## REAL ESTATE NEWS

Transfers of real estate have been recorded as follows:

St. John County

Eastern Trust Company to R. D. Patterson, \$48,000, Assault Soup property, in Lancaster.

Samuel Linton to A. W. Lingley, property in Lancaster.

Evelyn Mawhinney and J. W. Mawhinney to C. W. Thompson, property in Musquash.

R. M. Rive to J. E. Stocker, property in King Square.

B. H. Simonds to J. R. Campbell, property in Strait shore road.

Kings County

J. S. Gregory to Frederick Burns, property in Springfield.

N. A. Land to Marion G. and Elizabeth Murie, property in Rothesay.

## POLICE COURT

Four men charged with drunkenness were disposed of in the police court today.

## Twenty Thousand Canadians Still Under Canvass But They Will Be Housed by Christmas

### Newfoundland Contingent at Salisbury Plain Sent to Garrison Duty in Scotland — Severe Gale Overturns Many of the Tents

Salisbury Plains, Dec. 4.—The Newfoundland contingent has been ordered to Fort George, Inverness, Scotland, to do garrison duty there.

Two hundred Canadian horses have been stolen from the lines. Twenty thousand Canadian troops are still under canvass, but it is expected that all will be housed in huts by Christmas.

One thousand men are engaged daily in the construction of railway to serve the needs of the camps stations here.

In the severe gale of Wednesday night that swept over the greater part of the country, hundreds of tents of the Canadian contingent were blown down.

## DIVIDED IN OPINION AS TO ITALY'S STATUS

### Many Think Premier's Statement Means Readiness For Declaration of War

Rome, Dec. 4.—Many members of parliament consider that the statement of Premier Salandra in parliament, in which he advised that Italy maintain an attitude of watchful and armed neutrality and made a reference to what he termed the just aspirations of Italy, together with a demonstration by the members, means that Italy is now ready to declare war.

Deputy Labriola summarized his opinion by saying that "one word more from Salandra would have meant a declaration of war."

Others think the phrase regarding the aspirations of Italy was misunderstood, and that he might instead have alluded to the existence of an Italo-Austrian agreement delimiting the Italian frontier by the peaceful annexation of a portion of the province of Trent. A few express the fear that Austria may interpret the events in parliament as a challenge. A committee of deputies has been formed, and its members are endeavoring to induce their colleagues to refrain from speaking on the premier's statement in order to give the vote of confidence in the government greater solemnity.

## CELEBRATION WHEN NEW DOCKS OPENED

### Hon. Messrs. Hazen and Rogers and Sir Thos. Shaughnessy to be Here

Arrangements for the formal opening of the new government docks in West St. John were discussed at a meeting of the council of the Board of Trade at noon today.

The opening will take place on December 10 and Hon. Robert Rogers, Hon. J. D. Hazen and Sir Thomas Shaughnessy have promised to be present. They will arrive at noon on that day and will be met at the station by a delegation from the board of trade, a procession of the men from the works on the West Side, and one of the city bands. They will be escorted to Hon. Mr. Hazen's residence and afterwards will be the guests of the Board of Trade at luncheon in the Union Club.

In the afternoon the public exercises will be held at the docks which will be decorated with flags and bunting and speeches and music will form the programme. A special C. P. R. train will run from the Union station to convey those who wish to be present.

The ministers will return by the C. P. R. train on the same evening.

The council this morning also considered a communication from the secretary of the Inular S. S. Company giving the reasons why they were forced to withdraw the steamer Westport. As several communities will be left without communication the secretary was instructed to take up the matter with the department of trade and commerce to see if any arrangements can be made to continue the service.

The Maritime Forward Movement was discussed and approved and the board decided to send representatives to the Amherst meeting.

## BOY FINDS HUMAN HAND AND FOOT AND STRANDS OF HAIR

Montreal, Dec. 3.—Mystery surrounds the finding of a human hand and foot by a Polish boy in the foreign quarters of Point St. Charles yesterday. It is a left hand and left foot, with strands of a woman's hair attached. Though cleared they appear to have been torn from the body of some person, probably a corpse. They were wrapped in brown paper.

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

A pleasant time was last night enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bernies in Union street when several friends called to congratulate them upon the first anniversary of their wedding. They were the recipients of many pleasing remembrances. Refreshments were served and a delightful time had in games, speeches and music.

## CITY LABORERS PAY

The city laborers received their forty-ninth pay envelope today. The amounts were as follows:

Water and Sewerage	\$2,929.10
Public Works	4,046.16
Harbor	1,460.18
Ferry	287.61
Total	\$8,723.05

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