



Except for artillery bombardments, ably mark the second phase. It may, and a British gain near Robecq, indeed, mark the height of the German effort.

northwest of Bethune, it was quiet on | the battlefield of the Lys yesterday, On the French front the Germans so the lull has remained unbroken have shown some raiding activity in

the region of Verdun. They attacked and gained a temporary footing in a since Thursday, when the enemy suffered a check between Givenchy and position near and north of Seicheprey, and held by French and Americans, Nieppe Forest. Each day of inaction mphasizes the severity and catasbut were speedily driven out by a counter-attack. One of the German trophic nature of the German defeat, and the British now await the next political objects, settled as long ago as shock with fortitude, confidence and the spring of 1915, was to annex the

equanimity. They have taken the French iron region of Briey, right un-edge off the enemy's offensive power der the guns of Verdun, and hence the and he knows it. In one month of the heaviest fighting yet known in men away for an advance in this part the war, they have foiled the effort of the land. Baffled on the Lys the of the enemy to defeat them in two enemy may turn for a success to the front before Verdun. On the line of of the enemy to defeat them in two weeks, and their resistance has plac-ed them in a stronger instead of a weaker position, for the frightful losses sustained from the failure of attacks leave the enemy weaker in nower, in quality, and in resolution. power, in quality, and in resolution. The news of the frightful impasse

British light naval forces, while reached on the Lys, where Von Lusailing in Heligoland Bight, on Sat-

composed of one Briton, one French

light

"dendorff expected to break thru, is bound to spread thru the German army and imbue the soldier with a sonse of inferiority, for the German forces, since the victory over the Italians at Caporetto and the surrender of Russia, had confidently looked forward to a speedy victory over the

British army. . . . Von Ludendorff, it is said, is willing to pay one and a half million lives as the price for the German occupation of

rumored that the present operation merely forerun big naval events. At the channel ports. Persons at British any rate, a naval threat against the Kiel Cnal would have an important general headquarters affirm that owing to the improved position of the it would take twice that number of lives for the enemy to achieve those ports. The fact, however, that the enemy is prepared for such heavy sacrifices shows that he is not yet finally beaten, but that he will proceed with Russian affairs are again becomthe fighting with even heavier oning a factor in the war, as shown by slaughts than before. The basis for the landing of an Anglo-French force allied hope rests on the recent achieve-

ment of the British army. It has de- of marines on the Mourman layed the enemy one month, it has near Archangel, and on the Arctic even increased its formidability, it Ocean. The allied units are operatgained the necessary time for ing in conjunction with a Bolshevik adequate assistance to arrive. Except-ing the chances of accident, the future railway from Kola to ePtrograd, and fighting will likely continue as a heavy they are operating under a soviet pounding operation.

The alles have received reports already defeated a force of Finlanders about German preparations on the near Kem, 270 miles south of Mour-front between Amiens and Arras, and mansk, on the northern shores, and is not improbable that the enemy are aiming at the protection of the Arras and the Lys salients both the pectation of eventually compelling an evacuation of the British front between Arras and Givenchy. This method gave him results in Russia during the campaign of 1915, and is known as forcing salients. The salient of Arras, which would thus come under attack, presents a strong bestion of the str will attempt to achieve a decision in whole northern region. In the exduring the campaign of 1915, and is known as forcing salients. The salient of Arras, which would thus come under attack. presents a strong bastion against the enemy. He, however, has two wounded fronts, the one south of Arras to the Somme and the one be-tween Givenchy, Messines Ridge and Kennet Kenneng, for the company of the Turks. In central Russia known as forcing salients. The salient of Arras, which would thus come under attack, presents a strong bastion against the enemy. He, however, has two wounded fronts, the one south of Arras to the Somme and the one be-tween Givenchy, Messines Ridge and Mount Kemmel, for his coming opara-tions. The previous fighting is ac-counted the first phase of the cam-paign; the coming fighting will prob-

WET WEATHER STOPS SEEDING OPERATIONS Seeding operations are not proceeding very rapidly thrucut the country, the wet weather of the last two or three days

werk weather of the last two or three days having pratty effectually stopped the work, but in some parts cultivating and sowing were resumed Saturday after-noon. Probably all over the county an average of between 40 and 50 per cent. of the grain has been sown, mostly oats and spring wheat. Fall wheat is showing up yeav poorly small and matchy with up very poorly, small and patchy, with fully 50 per cent. of the crop killed out. In some localities the outook is better

than this, but taken on the average the than this, but taken on the average the fall wheat crop gives little ground for hope. The closed seed looks better and is being greatly helped by the rains of the last week. Farm help, while scarce, is pretty well distributed, and there does not seem, to be any very great shortage

of men.

SUCCESSFUL BOX SOCIAL.

French iron region of Briey, right un-der the guns of Verdun, and hence the enemy has thrown many thousands of of the land. Baffied on the Lys the enemy may turn for a success to the Black, president, was in the chair. Tom

EARLSCOURT WEDDING.

A wedding of considerable local interest took place at Earlscourt Central Metho-dist Church, Ascot avenue, Saturday af-ternoon, when Clara Boucher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Boucher, 126 Nairn avenue, became the bride of Ed-gar Saffrey, Toronto, Rev. Peter Bryce, butter, performed the marriage certe urday had a skirmish with German naval forces before the enemy the message of peace, we may find the next world's trouble in the east." craft took refuge behind their mine field. The British admiralty reports that one German vessel was hit, but services. the British vessels all escaped damage. pastor, performed the marriage cere-nony, and the church was well filled with relatives and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Saffrey will take up their residence on Hope avenue, Earlscourf. No reason is given for the British cruise in those waters, but hints from sundry quarters suggest that the British fleet is engaged in clearing up the enemy mine fields. It is also

SEVENTY-FIVE INITIATED.

A meeting of Ariel Lodge, Internationany rate, a naval threat against the Kiel Cnal would have an important reaction on land; for the enemy would have to provide forces for the pro-tection of this waterway and for the coercion of Denmark should the Brit-ish fleet enter the Balfuc Sea.

MUNITION WORKER DEAD.

The death took place in West Toronto Saturday evening of Owen Burrage, 371 Van Horne street, after a short lilness. The body was taken to Speers' undertaking parlors. He was a munition work-er, and is survived by a widow and three young children.

ISAAC ASHCROFT DEAD.

Isaac Ashcroft, a well-known resident of Mt. Dennis, died on Saturday, after a short illness, at the age of 74 years, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Toft, 12 Guestville avenue, West Toronto.

GOOD WORK BY DEACONESSES. Rev. Gerald Despard, organizing secretary of the Church of England Deacones

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PARCELS POST SALE.

training of women at the home in To-

TWELVE HUNDRED REALIZED. northward over the British roads, and no more magnificent troops have been As a result of the bazaar recently held in cornection with St. Clare's Church, West St. Clair avenue, Earlscourt, the sum of \$1200 was realized, which will be devoted to the church building fund.

MUST EVANGELIZE ORIENT.

NEW TEMPLARS' BRANCH.

GREAT DEMAND FOR COAL.

DIES OF PNEUMONIA.

cut chaps, who make love to the vil-lage lassies like courtiers and fight like devils. It is not amiss to say that they were welcome when they arrived, SPEAKS OF Y.M.C.A. WORK.

for the enemy was pressing the tired British with tremendous forces. They came in good time. They got into action in the region of Kemmel on Dr. J. Oswald Withrow, recently re-turned from the front, delivered an inter-esting address on the military operations of the Y.M.C.A. overseas, at a well-at-tended meeting of the Men's Own Brotherhood in Central Methodist Church, Ascot avenue, Earlscourt, yesterday afternoon. The speaker gave a general outline of the work accomplished since the outbreak of war. Rev. E. Crossley Hunter, president, occupied the chair. the 18th, which was the day of their arrival, and within a couple of hours of their advent, they performed a gal-lant feat which won for them the un-dying gratitude of the British division which was holding the hill.

on the front than these clean-

Hard Time at Kemmel. The British had a severe time at Kemmel on April 17. Some of them were in the defences on the hill and RETURNS TO OLD TIME. It is stated that some of the school sections in Scarboro are contemplating a return to the old hours, and school section No. 6 has already reverted to this plan, after a week's trial of the new order of things. The reason for this is said to be the long distance which some of the younger children have to go in order to reach the school. Otherwise, and in the farming community, every-body is said to be failing nicely into the new conditions, and much of the others had been drawn up about the southern base on an elevation and told they mus thold this line at all costs. \The German hordes swept forward against them in waves, but they dle a less number of patients than clung to their posts throught the bitter hours. The positions about Kemmel have a scheme whereby nine lorries were retained, but a little south of can carry back sufficient equipment the hill the Germans pushed in and surrounded Donegal farm, which was the new conditions, and much of the hostility which at first was directed being held by a subaltern and twelve against the innovation is passing away.

When the French came up on the 18th, Donegal was No Man's Land, and no word had been received conand no word had occar to brit-cerning its little garrison. The Brit-ish were not at the moment in suf-ish were to bring relief. The Rev. R. B. Cochrane, of College Street Presbyterian Church, was the preacher at the morning service in St. Columba's Church, West St. Clair avficient force to bring relief. The French waited only to hear the story of the situation before organizing a big raid. enue, Wychwood, yesterday. He said, "If we do not evangelize the Orient by

Killed Fifty Germans.

It was then about dusk. An attack on Donegal was immediately carried out, and the poilus found the sub-altern and his dozen men dead, and There were large congregations at both FORTY HOURS' ADORATION. about them were the bodies of fifty The forty hours' adoration commenced at the Church of St. Cecilia, Annette street. West Toronto, yesterday morn-ing. Rev. George Bench, superintendent of Catholic charities, delivered an ap-propriate sermon on the "Institution of the Blessed Eucharist" at the evening service. Large crowds were present at both morning and evening services. Germans.

The French came back with word of the situation and brought with them a number of German prisoners from beyond the farm. This piece of chivalry spread among the British and drove the entering wedge for the friendship which followed. The situation last night along the

CORACION OF CORACION front was generally quiet and un-The formation of a branch of the LO. G.T. in the West Toronto district will be discussed at the grand lodge, shortly to be held in Toronto. Arrangements have been completed for a memorial service for soldier brothers killed in action. changed. There was the usual artil-lery firing, but most of the infantry changed. There was the usual artil-lery firing, but most of the infantry actions were small operations. Dur-ing the night the British pushed for-ing the night the British pushed forward and improved their line east of in the next announcement will be good

ward and improved their line cast of Riez du Vinage, and they also car-ried out a satisfactory movement at Hinges Bridge, south of Pacaut For-est.

Stopped at Frezenberg.

Owing to the unprecedented de-mand for fuel in the northwest dis-trict. coal firms are hard-pressed to make prompt deliveries. The West An attempted enemy advance against the British positions on Fre-zenberg spur, northeast of Ypres, Toronto branch of a large coal com-pany has 500 orders for immediate delivery on their books, according to the statement of the manager.

was stopped by artillery fire. East of Arras the Germans tried to rush some gun pits which were cap-tured by the British yesterday, but

the attack was repulsed. Parties of the enemy are continu-ally trying to get over the abandoned Home, was the preacher at the evening service in St. Hilda's Church, Vaughan road, Fairbank, yesterday. He dwelt on the good work accomplished in the

fire this party is to remain in Ireland and The airmen continue to do great The airmen continue to do great damage over the enemy areas. Fri-day night direct hits were obtained with bombs on three trains standing in the Chaulnes junction, and an am-

munition train at Rosieres was blown up.

from the Merville sector. A few days ago a large herd of cows, which had been abandoned, was still grazing in No Man's Land between Nieppe forest and Merville. The British Tommies sat in their defences for a long time,

bassed das, and ve been clean-the vil-df fight say that the correspondent was talking back from the neighboring battle lines. It was only about ten days ago that the correspondent was talking without the the vil-the vil-the vil-the vil-the vil-the vil-the correspondent was talking was talking the vil-the vi

the correspondent was talking with a medical officer in a casualty clearing station in the back area, where only a few wounded had yet arrived. The correspondent was curious at the lack of patients, in view of the great num-ber of men necessarily wounded, and With the French Army in Fr April 21.-German artillery, espe the guns of the heaviest which appear to have reached the fr

made enquiries. "We have few cases from the front in considerable numbers, has extremely active all along the fro as yet, because the advanced stations have been taking care of them," replied from Castel to the south of Noy the doctor simply. Remarkable Work. since the successful French atta

Remarkable Work. It seems inconceivable that this could be accomplished, looking at the great German advance. In ordinary circumstances it requires a hundred motor lorries to move a hospital which accommodates a thousand patients, and few of the main clearing stations hanbetween Thennies and Mailly-Raineval, northwest of Montdidier, Thursday.

The French guns have been 1 ing most vigorously, and have batting the German front lines the concentrations of troops in back areas.

In the vicinity of the River Al large flights of aviators of both for a station with 200 beds. This ma-terial is rushed off to form the nucleus of new quarters further back, to which versaries were occupied both Fri night and today in reco in attacking each other's depots a cantonments. The French airm the remaining equipment is brought, tinually harassed the German su

When the offensive opened the Brit-ish had big advance stations at such places as Noyon, Cugny, Ham, Gre-villers and Achiet-le-Grand. All these olumns. Distinct indications have been served farther north of German parations for some kind of moven almost immediately came under pres-sure as the Germans swarmed swiftly etween Amiens and Arras. ther they will develop into .an forward. Practically the same scenes were enacted at all of these places, as fensive action cannot be fores there seems to be a great po their evacuation was carried out dur-ing the first and second days. that another attempt will b sever the link connecting the Fr and British

Hitherto, thanks to magnific handling and to the bravery of entente allied soldiers entente allied soldiers since the German onslaught, all efforts in direction have failed, and after a month of almost constant attact the Germans, in summing up the sults, can only find that they sacrificed many of their best div without adequate repayment for the enormous losses.

MOSCOW ANARCHISTS QUELLED BY BOLSHEVI

Moscow, April 21, - Soviet in have effectively stamped out the archist organization in Moscow. archist organization in Moscow. members have departed and the c now is quiet. Armoréd cars patroling some streets and gun have been stationed about the den lished palaces and the former besi-quarters of the anarchists. Detailed reports of recent distu-ances show that 1000 were killed wounded, most of them being an-chists. Large quantities of mon chists. Large quantities of more and jewelry have been found in a palaces. The Bolshevik authorities have published notices asking peop who have been robbed recently visit the Kremiin prison and to identhe 200 tify the robbers among th chists incarcerated there.

Failure of Submarine War

success of the submarine ca is pictured as severe in des today from Switzerland, E cism of the admiralty, the de says, has followed the realizat the undersea war is not acc ing what was claimed for beginning.

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Collingwood, ers Glenmount Bay and Atik Fort William : ers Westmour arrived today

Irish M.P.'s to Co-operate With Con-stituents Against Conscription. Dublin, April 21 .- Fifty-five members of the Irish party met here yesterday and, with John Dillon presid-

SCORE'S SPECIAL SHIPMENT OF

Only a fortnight ago Score's were telling you that their British woolens broker had advised them of a special shipment of genuine Irish Blue Serges di-rect from Dublin — they were on the way oversees them — they

overseas then - they have just passed the

WILL STAY IN IRELAND.

ing, unanimously passed a resolution area north of Ypres, but up to the "that in the present crists we are of present all these attempts have been the opinion that the highest and most immediate duty of the members of

A curious incident has been reported pression of which any governm

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sory military service on a nation with-out its assent constitutes one of the most brutal acts of tyranny and op-