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GOVERNMENT NEGLIGENCE MAY HOLD UP COMPULSION DEBATE

CABINET BLUNDER SLOWS UP ACTION ON DRAFT MEASURE

Government Whips Failed To Have Quorum On Friday, and Bill Automatically Is Off the Order Paper.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

Ottawa, July 3.—The conscription bill is off the order paper of the House of Commons. Neglect of the Government in preserving a quorum, and the watchfulness of a Nationalist member, who is now opposing the Government, are responsible for this unusual circumstance. In spite of the importance that the Government attaches to the conscription measure, their whips allowed members to leave on Friday, in anticipation of the week-end holiday, in such numbers that a quorum could not be mustered at 10 o'clock Friday night.

Couldn't Get Quorum.

Mr. Boulay of Rimouski, who was elected to support the Government, was the member who called attention to the absence of the quorum. A canvass of the corridors and members' rooms failed to rally the 21 men needed to legalize parliamentary proceedings. There was nothing left for the Speaker to do but close the sitting. Under the rules this removes from the order paper the measure under discussion.

Government Criticised.

Now the Government will have to take measures to restore the bill to the order paper. By unanimous consent this can be done today, but if there is a single objection, the Government will have to give notice, and a day will be lost in the time required to put the measure through. There is a good deal of criticism of this latest piece of Government mismanagement in getting compulsory service enacted.

WHITES AGAIN PUT TORCH TO NEGROES' HOMES

Fresh Outbreak of Race War at East St. Louis.

East St. Louis, Ill., July 3.—Fires, which were started by rioters in three negro quarters at noon today, were fanned by a high wind and spread rapidly, getting beyond control. Troops and police have hurried to the scene, where rioters also were assembled.

GREAT SERVICE IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY FOR CANADA'S DEAD

Impressive Confederation Day Ceremonial at Empire's Heart.

London, July 3—(By Reuter's Ottawa Agency).—The Daily Mail says: "The fiftieth anniversary of the formation of the Dominion of Canada and the memory of those Canadians fallen in battle were honored yesterday by a great service in Westminster Abbey. In all the trials and sufferings of the war it has been a source of constant consolation and pride to the people of this country that the states of Greater Britain and their soldiers have shown such unflinching determination and valor in the struggle. We well know the bitter sacrifices which Canada has made. Ypres salient and Vimy Ridge have been watered with her best blood, as with ours. In death as through all the years of their state's existence, her sons have been at our side, and we are grateful to them."

NEST OF ANARCHISTS RAIDED BY COSSACKS AT RUSSIAN CAPITAL

Petrograd, July 3.—A force of Cossacks acting under orders from the provisional government raided the villa of Former Minister Durnovo, which since the revolution has been the headquarters of Maximilists and anarchists, many of whom were returned exiles. The Government has given orders to arrest criminals among the anarchists, and also persons who helped to release offenders detained in the Kresti Prison. When the Cossacks entered the yard several bombs were thrown by anarchists. The bombs, however, failed to explode. The Cossacks did not reply, but on entering the villa they found the body of a well known anarchist named Afin, whose comrades declared he had committed suicide. Arrests were made and the village is now in the hands of the troops.

NEW COSSACK LEADER.

Petrograd, July 3.—Gen. Kalidenez, who captured about 80,000 prisoners in a forward movement last year, and who is known as the breaker of the Lutz front, has been chosen hetman, or leader, of the Don Cossacks.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 74; lowest, 59.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 56; lowest, 47.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND WARM.

Toronto, July 3.

Forecasts.

Fresh west and northwest winds; fair and moderately warm today and on Wednesday.

Temperatures.

The following the were highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

	High.	Low.	Weather
Victoria	66	42	Fair
Winnipeg	60	48	Cloudy
Pt. Arthur	60	52	Cloudy
Parry Sound	..	48	Cloudy
Pt. Stanley	72	50	Cloudy
Buffalo	64	58	Clear
Toronto	77	54	Clear
Kingston	70	54	Fair
Ottawa	82	50	Fair
Montreal	82	68	Fair
Quebec	62	54	Cloudy
Father Point	58	44	Foggy

Weather Notes.

Light local showers have occurred in Eastern Quebec and the Maritime Provinces also in Northern Ontario and Alberta. While in Southern Ontario and Manitoba the weather has been fair.

SAYS QUEBEC COULD EASILY RAISE 25,000

Sevigny Says Compulsion Bill Will Pass—Intends To Run Again.

Quebec, July 3.—The Hon. Albert Sevigny, minister of inland revenue, interviewed while in Quebec City yesterday said he will again be a candidate in Dorchester County, and that he will be elected. He forecasted that the vote in the House on the conscription bill will be taken by this week-end and passed by a huge majority.

Speaking of his statement that Quebec province could easily raise 25,000 men through conscription, Mr. Sevigny gave figures on the number of men each city, town and parish should be called upon to provide.

SUDDEN HEART ATTACK CAUSED DEATH OF TREE, FAMOUS ENGLISH ACTOR

London, July 3.—According to the morning newspapers, the sudden death of Sir Herbert Tree last night was not caused by a recent operation, but it was a case of collapse so sudden that he died in a few moments. Sir Herbert had discussed business affairs daily with Mr. Dana, his business manager, during the last few days. They were thus engaged for some time Monday afternoon, and when Dana left Sir Herbert was in a cheerful mood, as he expected to be able to leave his bed soon.

Sir Herbert had a slight accident on June 16. He slipped while descending a staircase and strained the ligaments of his right knee. He underwent an operation on June 21, which proved to be somewhat serious, but was expected to lead to his complete recovery.

The surgeons, however, insisted upon the cancellations of all Sir Herbert's engagements, so that he could enjoy complete seclusion and rest.

A friend who visited Sir Herbert yesterday found him, as he described it, "as well as ever." In the evening, however, he had a heart attack, and the end came quickly, the famous actor dying at 8 o'clock.

BERLINERS ARE DRIVEN TO THE SOUP KITCHENS

Copenhagen, July 3.—The food difficulties, particularly the disappearance of potatoes, have driven Berliners in masses to the municipal soup kitchens, where they hope to get better rations than at home. The management of the kitchens reports 21,000 new registrations. The kitchens, however, are badly supplied, and the fare is most scanty and monotonous. The potato ration this week is one pound, but it is admittedly only on paper.

AN IRISH REFERENDUM.

London, July 3.—Sir Horace Plunkett, in a letter urging William O'Brien to reconsider his decision not to participate in the approaching Irish convention, says that while he has no official authority for the statement, he has best reasons for believing that the findings of the convention will be submitted to a referendum if the convention scheme fails to meet with popular favor.

BOY SHOT BY COMRADE IN ACCIDENT AT BERRY PATCH

Harry Fillmore Struck by Bullet and Killed.

ARM STRUCK THE RIFLE

And Weapon Was Discharged by Chance, Instantly Killing Lad.

Harry Fillmore, 13 years of age, residing at 14 Edward street, was shot and killed by a playmate, H. Arbuckle, 5 Brighton street, while picking berries at the Cove about 11:50 o'clock today. Dr. Ferguson, the coroner, was called, but decided that the killing was accidental, and decided not to hold an inquest.

Took Rifle Along.

A party of boys, among them Fillmore and Arbuckle, were down the river. Young Arbuckle took a 22-calibre rifle from his home, unknown to his parents, and carried it with him. On their return, they found a strawberry patch near the creek at the Cove, and the youngster all tumbled down in the grass to get the berries. Arbuckle remained standing, holding the rifle in his hand. One of the boys in dropping down, hit the firearm, and it discharged. The bullet hit Fillmore behind the right ear. He lived but a few moments.

Inquest Not Necessary.

The boys ran for help, and some residents in the neighborhood called Dr. R. Ferguson. When he arrived the boy had been dead for some time. He questioned all the party, and they agreed on the cause of the accident.

He decided that an inquest was not necessary. Fillmore is a son of Thomas Fillmore, a baker at Parnell's.

Young Arbuckle is 12 years of age.

INQUIRY OPENED ON NIAGARA DISASTER; WARNING WAS SENT

Official Rushed Car To Scene, But Too Late To Stop Accident.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., July 3.—An inquiry into Sunday afternoon's trolley wreck in the Niagara Gorge, was begun here today by J. William O'Brien, assistant district attorney of Niagara County. Officials of the gorge route and members of the 74th Regiment of the National Guard, who were on the cantilever bridge close to the scene of the accident, have been subpoenaed.

Warning Was Phoned.

"That warning of the washout was given before the trolley car with its 50 odd passengers and crew plunged into the edge of the whirlpool rapids is now admitted. W. J. Creighton, an inspector for the Great Gorge Route, told the district attorney today that a telephone call giving the warning was received by William Piper, assistant superintendent of the line. A car was called immediately and rushed to the gorge, but it arrived too late to prevent the disaster. About the same time a car crew reported at the barns that the track weakened under their car as it passed the point where the washout occurred.

GEN. PERSHING'S TROOPS NICKNAMED "SAMMIES"

Washington, July 3—Gen. Pershing's fighting men in France have been nicknamed the "Sammies"—Uncle Sam's boys—and the title bids fair to stick.

It will take its place alongside of Tommies for the British, Poilus for the French and Bosches for the Germans.

In connection with temporary training behind the lines, the Sammies will learn more than they have previously been taught as to bomb and grenade attacks, the new British bayonet system, and similar developments of modern warfare.

GIRL WILL NOT TAKE DARE, HOES CORN TO GET ALONG; SOLDIER'S WIFE IN RACE

Advertiser's Great Prize Contest Brings Out Quality of People That This Thriving District Boasts Of—Contest Manager Is "In For" a Kitchen Cabinet — Contestant Soon to Wed.

The race for the $16,000 worth of prizes in The London Advertiser's prize contest is now on in real earnest. Every county in Western Ontario is represented by live, energetic people, who are determined to uphold the reputation of this region by "always being in the lead in doing things."

Hundreds of letters are received at the contest department every day, inclosing new subscriptions, requesting information and receipt books, and telling about individuals' work in the campaign.

"The $1.50-a-day girl" from Ridgetown is not letting the grass grow under her feet in canvassing for subscriptions. Here is how she got a new subscription:

Girl Hoes Corn.

"I have to work hard for my subscriptions. One subscriber said he'd give me a year's subscription if I'd hoe corn for two days. Well, I just took my hoe, and if you ever saw weeds fly it was me hoeing. I put in my two days, and secured his name on my list. He thought it a good way to get rid of me when he made the proposition. But nothing doing! I was game. So if any of the other candidates can beat that for effort, they have more ambition than I give them credit for. I sincerely thank the kind friend that gave me the two-years' subscription from Woodstock. If I had her address I would write and thank her most heartily. I'm forwarding you postal order for the subscriptions I have got."

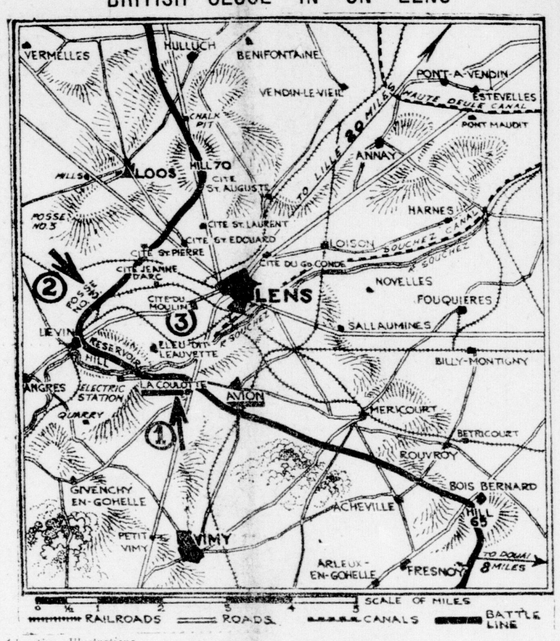
A Soldier's Wife.

Another lady from Sarnia is appealing to her friends to assist her in winning the grand prize. She is not so particular about the automobile, but does want the $1,000 in cash to distribute among the patriotic organizations in her district. She styles herself as "Lambton's Soldier's Wife."

A Bride-To-Be.

One of the candidates in district No. 3 blushingly intimated to the contest manager Saturday that one of the big prizes would come in very handy to her some time the latter part of August. The contest manager in an unconscious moment made the remark that he would present each candidate who got married during the contest with a $50 Hoosier kitchen cabinet. Now, how many cabinets will he have to buy?

BRITISH CLOSE IN ON LENS



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Latest reports show that the British now hold nearly all the high ground surrounding Lens, and are driving the Germans into its eastern end. The drive cleared them out of La Coulette (1). General Haig also took position at Fosse No. 3 (2). The foe is razing Mill City (3) on the western outskirts of Lens, for purposes of defence.

CHAIRMAN AND CONTRACTOR TELL OF "GRAFT TEST" USED TO CATCH ARCHITECT NUTTER; LETTER ON DEAL IS PRODUCED

A. E. Silverwood Says He Directed Putherbough To Pay Five Per Cent "Commission" on Retaining Wall After Contractor Had Spoken of His Suspicions—Mr. Nutter Withdraws Resignation.

Arthur E. Nutter, associate architect of the Technical School, was relieved of his position at a special meeting of the advisory committee of the board of education held at noon today. His suspension is indefinite, and in the interim Trustees A. E. Silverwood and A. A. Langford will consult City Solicitor T. G. Meredith to secure advice as to the best means of proceeding to get rid of Mr. Nutter permanently. The suggestion that a thorough investigation be held before a county judge was made, but the action of the committee will depend on the advice of City Solicitor Meredith.

SAID TO BE LOOKING FOR GRAFT.

Chairman Silverwood, of the committee, stated that as a great deal of publicity had been given the affair it was the duty of the committee to go thoroughly into the matter.

He reviewed what had transpired at the last meeting of the committee, when the facts were developed. There were suspicions carried to the committee that Architect Nutter was looking for graft.

Contractor Putherbough had mentioned this also, and Mr. Silverwood authorized him to lay a trap for Mr. Nutter, and get the evidence. Mr. Nutter asked for 5 per cent commission on a retaining wall. Mr. Silverwood told Mr. Putherbough to pay over the money, and report to the committee. Two tenders were received for the work, Mr. Putherbough being low. Mr. Putherbough sent a check for the amount, $40, and the check was cashed by Mr. Nutter.

CLAIMED IT WAS FOR PRIVATE WORK.

"I felt that we had to get Nutter off the job, and we tried to do so," said Mr. Silverwood. "At first he denied point blank that he had received any money, but finally admitted that he had received the check. His explanation was that it was for private work done for Mr. Putherbough. No immunity was promised Mr. Nutter, but the committee did not feel like hounding him to death. The members wanted to give him as much protection to his family as possible."

"Could this be construed as an extra, for which he might argue that he was paid by the contractor?" asked Thomas Treleaven.

CONTRACTORS SAID HE HAD TO BE "GREASED."

"No, not at all," answered Mr. Silverwood. "This was an extra, of course, but he would get a percentage from the board of education, not from the contractor. He was engaged by us, not by Mr. Putherbough. When his bill for this work was presented to us we would have passed it. I have found that there are many contractors in this city who refused to tender for work, and who said that they would not tender for any work in the future, with which Mr. Nutter was connected, as he had to be greased. The contractors have told me that, and I determined to get rid of Mr. Nutter. He could not remain as architect with me on the committee."

CONTRACTOR TELLS ABOUT 5 PER CENT.

Contractor Putherbough reviewed the situation and explained the matter. He had been asked by Mr. Nutter to tender for the retaining wall. When he asked Mr. Nutter for the plans he went to his office, and Mr. Nutter asked him to add 5 per cent for the architect. He stated that he had not received enough from the building, and he thought he should get more. On consultation with Mr. Silverwood he decided to send a check for the amount $40. His stenographer, in sending the check, had written a letter in which she said that the money was the amount agreed upon, "In the deal regarding the technical school." There were some other deals that he had heard about, in which Inter-Provincial Brick Company paid Mr. Nutter some money, but he had no proof of that.

DEAL WITH OTHER MATTERS ON PROOFS.

"We have treated Mr. Nutter fairly," said Mr. Silverwood. "He never made

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ARTILLERY BOMBARDMENT HEAVY ON WEST FRONT

Berlin, July 3—Via London.—The artillery bombardment on the western front yesterday reached considerable strength in the Ypres salient, says the official statement issued today by the German war department.

LABORITE APPOINTED TO FOOD DEPARTMENT

London, July 3.—John Robert Clynes, representing northeast Manchester in the House of Commons, has been appointed parliamentary secretary to the food control department, replacing Capt. Charles Bathurst. Mr. Clynes is a Laborite.

Wilson Sends Word of Congratulation To Canadian Nation

Ottawa, July 3.—President Wilson's confederation message to the governor-general reads:

"At this time, when the ties between the Canadian people and my countrymen are made even stronger by association in the common cause of human freedom, I offer cordial congratulations on this half-century of the anniversary of the foundation of the Dominion of Canada."

RUSSIANS DRIVING AT TOP SPEED IN SOUTHWESTERN OFFENSIVE CAPTURE 6,000 MORE TEUTONS

HELPLESS AGAINST BRITISH TROOPS

London, July 3—(By Reuter's Ottawa Agency).—Reuter's correspondent at the front gives extracts from a German letter found at Messines Ridge, dated from "a shell hole in hell." It depicts the feelings of the German troops:

"We have been fourteen days under a hellish fire day and night," states the writer. "We crouch together in holes awaiting our doom with the dead piled up here. All night we lie with gas masks on, as the British fire gas shells. Hundredweights of aerial torpedoes thrown at us make trench work impossible. So far our division, composed of three regiments, has lost 3,400 men in barely three months. We are quite helpless against the British. We cannot sit or lie down. These big British shells would break the heart of a lion. Our artillery dare not fire in the daytime, owing to the great activity of the British airplanes. We all hope to be taken prisoners, otherwise we shall go mad.

FEARS FOR SAFETY OF TWO LONDONERS WHO WENT TO FALLS

Mr. Shaw and Mrs. Whibley Left With Motor Party and Have Not Returned.

Serious fears are entertained for the safety of Edward Shaw, superintendent of the cut sole department of the Murray Shoe Company, and Mrs. Whibley, of 394 Oxford street, who left the city with a wedding party for Niagara Falls and have not been heard from directly since that time.

The Londoners were expected today, but did not arrive, and as they were at the Falls when the gorge disaster occurred, friends immediately began inquiries.

The Londoners who went with relatives from Montreal, who came to the city on their wedding tour, sent a postcard back to the city on Sunday, which was delivered here this morning. The card was marked 8 p.m. and bore the postmark of Niagara Falls, Ont. As the accident occurred at 3:30 on Sunday afternoon, this might indicate the safety of the two Londoners. At the same time it is felt that the card might have been posted early in the day and not collected for some time.

U-BOATS START WAR ON SWEDISH MARINE

London, July 3.—German submarines have opened a campaign against the Swedish merchant fleet along the Norwegian northern coast, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen today.

Newspaper reports state that four vessels were attacked and sunk yesterday outside the blockade zone, the crews being compelled to take hastily to the lifeboats.

BRITISH RECRUITING WEEK IN MANHATTAN

New York, July 3.—The week of July 16 will be British and Canadian recruiting week in New York, when efforts will be made to get "the last available man eligible among British subjects in this city to do his share in support of the war." This announcement was made by Brigadier-General W. A. White, head of the British recruiting mission in the United States.

LAST SITTING OF WAR PRISONER CONFERENCE

The Hague, July 3.—The war prisoners' conference between representatives of Germany and Great Britain held its last sitting yesterday. A protocol was signed, and the points on which an agreement was reached will be submitted to the British and German governments for confirmation.

LAW MAKES CONCESSION TO TOBACCO DEALERS

London, July 3.—Bonar Law's concession in halving the proposed increased tax on tobacco, announced by him yesterday, is the result of strong representations made by the trade against such a heavy increase, which meant an addition of 2 pence per ounce to the retail price. The chancellor of the exchequer also announced concessions of a similar nature in the tax on entertainment tickets, the proposed increase on which had caused heartburnings in the theatre and concert world.

Brussiloff's Great Drive In Galicia Developing Rapidly and Satisfactorily, Petrograd Reports—Zlochoff Now Threatened.

Berlin, July 3.—Via London.—Russian troops have broken forward across the heights on the western bank of the Stripa in Galicia, and succeeded in extending northward the gap they made in the Teutonic lines the previous day, army headquarters announced today.

The Russian progress was halted with the assistance of German reserves, the statement adds.

Petrograd, July 3.—The new Russain offensive has resulted in the capture of 6,000 more prisoners. The Russians are advancing towards Zlochoff, Galicia, the war office announces.

Twenty-one guns and several mine-throwers were captured. Prisoners continue to be brought in.

The number of prisoners taken in the fighting southeast of Brzezany on Sunday is given as 53 officers and 2,200 men.

OFFENSIVE DEVELOPING.

Petrograd, July 3.—According to news received by the Government, the offensive on the southwestern front is developing in an absolutely favorable manner.

THREE VILLAGES OCCUPIED.

Petrograd, July 3.—Russian troops have occupied the Galician villages of Presovce, Zboroff and Korshiduv. The Austro-German forces have retreated westward across the little Stripa River.

MANY GUNS TAKEN.

Petrograd, July 3.—The Rissians captured positions to the westward of the Narayuvka River. Many guns were taken and turned against the enemy.

BOY EMPEROR IS NOW ON THRONE OF THE CHINESE

Manchu Dynasty Ousts Republic, and Is Again in the Saddle.

Peking, Sunday, July 1—(Delayed).—Early today Hsuan Tung, the boy emperor, was taken into the imperial palace under the protection of Gen. Chang Hsun and placed on the throne. The legation quarter of the city is under a heavy guard, and the troops of Gen. Chang Hsun are intermingling freely with the Peking soldiers.

Gen. Chang Hsun is maintaining the strictest order, and no trouble in Peking is feared.

It is expected that President Li Yuan Hung will resign tomorrow.

THE NEW EMPEROR'S EDICT.

Peking, July 1.—(Delayed).—The imperial emblem is everywhere displayed, marking the restoration of the Manchu monarchy. There has been no disorder. In a long edict the emperor, who was restored to the throne today, explains how, being youthful, he was forced to relinquish sovereign power to Yuan Shih Kai, late president of the Chinese Republic.

"The country, being threatened with disintegration and party strife, and the people appealing to him to take over its administration to save the people from suffering, the young emperor says he was compelled to take action. China's future government will be based on the following:

"The country shall be administered according to the constitutional laws promulgated by the late emperor.

"Expenses of the imperial household shall remain the same as those fixed by the republic.

"Blood princes shall not be allowed to interfere in politics.

"There shall be no difference between Manchu and Chinese. Marriage between them is allowed.

"All foreign treaties and contracts shall remain in force.

"The stamp tax and other petty taxes are abolished.

"The republican criminal civil code is abolished and that introduced the first year under Hsuan Tung's Government is reinstated.

"Political offenders are pardoned.

"The wearing of queues is optional."

A hundred Japanese have arrived to strengthen the legation guard. There is no news of President Li Yuan Hung's expected resignation.

Petrograd, July 2.—Up to the time of telegraphing, the advance of the Russian army in Galicia was still in progress. A dispatch received by the war ministry but unpublished, says that the staff of the Russian army in Galicia is more than satisfied with the progress made.

JOY AT PARIS.

Paris, July 3.—The Russian offensive shares with the American army in France the honors of the day in the French newspapers. The splendid news from Gen. Brusiloff's headquarters, coming on the heels of the arrival of the American vanguard, fills France's cup of joy to overflowing. The temporary wave of despondency and impatience which found an outward manifestation in two dozen interpellations of the Government in the Chambers of Deputies has vanished.

A FINE CLEAN-UP.

Petrograd, July 3.—Details from an authorized source of the victorious Russian attack on Galicia state that a Finnish division participated in the victory at Koniuchy.

All enemy trenches on the slopes of Mount Sredniaya Coura, east of Koniuchy were occupied.

Besides the village of Koniuchy, the forest west thereof as far as Kolf was taken. All German trenches south of Koniuchy and the wood west of the village of Schibalirm were occupied. Three lines of enemy trenches near Schibalirm, also two lines of trenches northwest of Zolotukhi, and similar positions southwest of Potoutory and east and southeast of Nitchischou fell into the hands of the Russians.

BOSCHES THRUST BACK BY PETAIN'S POILUS, ABANDON ALL ATTACKS MADE THROUGH NIGHT

French Repulse German Offensive Along Aisne and at Verdun.

Paris, July 3.—The Germans made repeated attacks last night on the Aisne front, on both sides of the Ailles-Paissy road. The most violent fighting continued throughout the night. Today's official announcement says the Germans were thrown back each time and finally abandoned the effort this morning.

The French also repulsed German attacks on the Verdun front, between Hill 304 and Avocourt Wood.

FOOD SUPPLIES GOT THROUGH NEUTRALS TO THE CENTRAL POWERS

New York, July 3.—The suggestion that food supplies from the United States have been taken through to the Central Powers is given added weight by a circular issued by the foreign department of the National City Bank, which shows that the export trade to Norway for the ten months ending with April, 1917, there was an increase of 800 per cent over that of 1913.

Exports of wheat to neutral Europe in the ten months were 39,000,000 bushels. For the ten months ended with April, 1914, all of which preceded the beginning of the war, wheat exports to the same countries were 20,000,000 bushels. Flour exports to neutral Europe in the same period were 2,650,000 barrels, against 1,428,000 in the same months of 1914.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT PLANNING MONOPOLY OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC; INTERESTS ASKED FOR PRICES

New York, July 3.—A special cable to the Sun from London dated yesterday, says:

"The Government [illegible] showed its hand today and [illegible] a disposition to establish a [illegible] monopoly of liquor traffic [illegible] pointing [illegible] to investigate and report on [illegible]

"The [illegible] one each [illegible] and Scotland [illegible] and Wales [illegible]

"The Government, being of the opinion that it may be necessary shortly as an urgent war measure, to assume control of the supply and manufacture of intoxicating liquors during the war and demobilization after the war, and as such control involves the purchase after the war of the interests involved, you are [illegible] authorized to appoint a committee to inquire and report on the [illegible] which the interests should be [illegible] and the financial arrangements [illegible] be made."