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carcely a moment's respire. Germans Lose Heavily. It is increasingly evident that in carrying out their retirement in the carrying out their retirement in the carrying out their retirement in the carrying out their sector the invaded in general retreat from the invaded originered the output toward their own border, invaded the output toward Arras and Somme areas the Germans best soldiers. Carefully selected from various regiments, they were given certain posts with instructions to hold ment is calling on Persia to reoccupy the towns already evacuated. against all odds, a majority of

The Turkish retirement is attributed them having no idea that they were here to the British success at Kut-elighting a rearguard action. Prisoners Amara and the rapid advance toward taken represent the highest type of Bagdad, which threatens the Turkish the German army. It was not until their repeated "S. lines of communication with Persia. The Times, describing the Turkish op. O.S." rocket signals for artillery as-sistance went completely unanswered lapse, nevertheless warns the people that these men suspected the position

fficers. that these men suspected the position in which they had been placed—that they formed a sacrificial screen cover-of the general operations against against exaggerating the prospects of they formed a sacrificial screen cover-ing the retreat of the main body of the Turks in Asia The Times says that their comrades. The prisoners still altho the campaigns in Armenia, Perprofess belief in a German victory, frankly saying that they base their related there is no early prospect of the front.' confidence largely in Germany's sub- bringing them in closer touch. The confidence largely in Germany's sub-marine campaign, which they and all the rest of the army have been told is sure to bring peace within three months. Letters found on prisoners and dead men also show the extent northward of the city. Moreover, it adds, the flood season is near. Neverunrestricted submarine warfare has theless the belief is expressed that

been disseminated thruout the empire. Gen. Maude's successes have already Keep U.S.- Break Secret. brilliantly restored British prestige in On the other hand, great pains seem the middle east. to have been taken to prevent the men

* WAR SUMMARY *

THE DAY'S EVEN IS REVIEWED

trench, raid yesterday near Biaches, however, and they captured two ma-

ment of the German positions night and day. As its fire is cutting off

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communications between the German trenches and the German rear, the

The German high command has revived, to some extent, the morale

of the German army and people by promising that unrestricted submarine

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veyed little news in the past two days, and with good reason, for

a blizzard has raged in the past 48 hours. The storm has prevent-

Mysterious U-Boat Is Seen at the front learning the details and the possibilities entailed in the break with the United States. The prisoners Heading for American Coast

know virtually nothing of that situaton, altho one had a letter from home Boston, March 9 .- Capt. W. C. Nick erson, of the steamer Indian, which arrived here today from Philadelphia,

"I hope you are keeping well. One reads of British attacks daily. What say you about America? Our situareported that while passing 25 miles the war to a speedy finish, or else we shall make more enemies." The British artillery houses we have a speed as being 150 fort the southout the left bank of the Meuse, were re-was described as being 150 fort the monoding on the remainder of the this order was not carried out and the shall make more enemies." The British artillery having made painted black, and carrying a small painted black, and carrying a small front.' The British artifiery having made painted black, and tarrying a charter the bringing up of asphysiating gas cylinders to points of vantage too peared to contain two periscopes. Officers of the steamer were called to ficers of the steamer were called to the bridge and agreed that the craft

the unrestricted employment of gas the bridge and agreed that the craft shells, gas bombs and gas jars did not look like an American vessel. did not look like an American vesse

who was obliged to withdraw, leaving a large number of dead on the ground.

porting the withdrawal of the Turks the course of these actions we took

"On our side we made prismers By overrunning orders, the north-during the course of the day and took bound Grand Trunk passenger train further trenches to the north of the No. 41, engine 404, crashed into a road running from Butte du Mesnil to southbound freight train, engine 1283, Maisons de Champagne. The total in a head-on co'lision about one mile Maisons de Champagne. The total number of prisoners taken in this region has reached 170, including four officers.

"There has been artillery fighting of ing one woman passenger. The dead a rather spirited character in the neighborhood of Bois de Sepoy, Malan-court and in the Bois Caurieres. The the the state of the stat day was quiet on the other points of mail clerk.

Beigian statement: "The day was calm."

Ont., and he roomed at 48 Carlton The announcement of today follows: street, Toronto. He was unmarried supplemental information has been received showing that the attack made His friends say he was one of the best yesterday by our troops between Butte railway clerks in the employ of the du Mesnil and Maisons de Champagne postoffice, and in a recent case was a brilliant success. Notwithstand-ing the snow, which rendered the ing, being credited 10% per cent. effi ination he won unusually high stand

operation difficult, our troops blew up cient. enemy positions on a front of 1500 Charles Gilbert, 531 College street metres, varying in depth from 600 to 890 metres. Late in the day the Germans delivered a violent counter-offensive on the left of this sector. After a furious combat with hand ously injured. The only passenger re grenades, we repulsed the adversary, who suffered heavy losses. The num-

ber of prisoners taken by us was 136, The passenger train was in charge "Attacks by the enemy on one of of Conductor Bidwell, and he had our trueches at Avocourt Wood, on orders to meet the southbound freight

Huge Store of Grain Burned In Spectacular Detroit Fire off the track. Gilbert was found pinned

Detroit. March 9 .- A spectacular fire, caused, it is believed, by spon-taneous combustion, today destroyed the grain elevator of the Detroit Railroad Elevator Company. Adjoining buildings and valuable railroad property also were damaged. The total loss has been estimated at \$1.000.000. The grain which was destroyed was about to be exported. A Detroit newspaper declares that it is probable 700 000 bushels were consumed. THE official British communications from the western front have con-

ed infantry action, except on a small scale. The British carried out a lapse. The British artillery is now keeping up an immense bombard- Russians Offer to Persia

Towns Evacuated by Turks

Twenty-five firemen had a narrow

escape when the elevator began to col-

tiring off a great many shells and glass jars filled with gas from his guns and trench mortars. vice J. E. Marrs was notified and left Barrie.

Instead of shortening their front and improving their defensive posi-tion, the Germans, it appears, have merely made their conditions worse by their retirement up the Ancre Valley. They have made the Arras salient sharper than ever. It was dangerous before them with the Arras was suffering from severe snaking up and bruises about the legs. Gilbert is 30 years of age and his wife resides at 531 College street. He had been on the run to North Bay with Barclay for two years. His father, who lives at 1790 Dundas street stated to a re-

ported hurt is Mrs. James, who was

traveling from Utterson to Huntsville.

baggage car derailed. Both engines

1790 Dundas street, stated to a reporter from The World that relatives in Barrie had informed him that it was not necessary for him to go there.

mediately to take charge of operations.

warfare will bring peace within three months. The effect of this promise in strengthening the German courage shows in strong light the intellectual limitations of the Germans. It also explains the new British policy of the German courage shows in strong light the intellectual of India, has sent to the government the anti-submarine £100.000 for use in the anti-submarine

about 20 prisoners. "In the sector of Malsons de Cham-pagne the Germans launched three violent attacks on the positions we re-conquiered yesterday. Our barrage fire and the fire of our machine guns broke down the attacks of the enemy, who was obliged to withdraw, leaving warning that the U. S. could not curred off the Isle of Wight. The of-tolerate attacks on American ships and ficial announcement says: citizens in violation of international "Prevente Defent Says:

a.w. ' Preparations Completed.

war with Germany the action was ken by President Wilson only after were landed safely in France) coilided The Cana Fraught with the grave possibility taken by President Wilson only after

Long before the order was given rescued by passing vessels. Twelve roun the White House all necessary European officers and 191 natives were Barclay was aged 28, and had been running on that line for nearly five years. His home was at Camperdown, preparations for the arming of mer-saved. Ten Europeans and 615 na-chantmen had been completed at the tives were lost. Difficulty in obtain-

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POWERFUL ARAB TRIBES UNITE AGAINST TURKEY near of the passenger train, are now lying in Barrie hospital, the latter sert-

> Strong Arabian Forces Join British in Mesopotamia in Pursuit of Defeated Turks-Four Million

> > New Allies.

of Turkish rule.

The example of these two emirs, this

"The British advance in Mesopota- venient central base "somewhere" New York, March 9 .- The Associated munition of the latest type. Their venient central base "somewhere in

were extensively damaged and four nia, which has covered more ground cars of the freight train were thrown in a short period than almost any other movement of the war, has been down beneath timbers in the mail car in which he and Barclay were workassisted materially by extensive defections of the native tribes from Turkish rule, according to private mail advices received in New York from Asiatic ing. The two men had been engaged in the mail service between Toronto and North Bay for the past two years. Turkey. Last month the Turks apparently were entrenched securely on the Tigris below Kut-el-Amara, where After the accident one of the mail clerks was reported missing, Norman they had held the British since the capture of Gen. Townshend's army at Guinane, 163 Beaconsfield avenue. To ronto, was the Canadian Express mes senger on the train and a telephoned The new offensive on the Tigris Kut. message to his home late last evening has developed with such speed that enant of peace means the union of two tribes which have been bitter enesince the recapture of Kut on Feb. 26 stated that he was badly shaken up. the British have advanced nearly 100 Doctors were sent from Huntsville mies for hundreds of years. Now the emirs are studying modern warfare toand Gravenhurst to give medical atmiles, and are now within a few miles tention to the injured, and the most of Bagdad. This has been made posserious of these were removed to Barrie Hospital. The Grand Trunk auxiliary sible, it is now reported, by the fact that the Turkish troops are menaced at Allandale was despatched to the scene, and P. J. Lynch, superintendent not only by the British, but by strong forces of Arabs, organized by the Briof the Allandale division, left imtish as their allies, who are harassing man I., king of the Hejaz, announcing

the fleeing Turks. Bedouins Unite.

Superintendent of Railway Mail Ser that as a result of the action of the that an offensive and defensive treaty Gand Sherif of Mecca several months ago in declaring his independence of Ottoman rule, various Bedouin tribes have put away their old enmities and will rally to this movement tribes united. Peace has been made between the Emir Arab or Rowleh from near Damascus and Hakim Ibn Mahid Hakim, emir of the Great Anzeh tribe in the vicinity of Aleppo. These two powerful men have convenanted to unite in assembling for one thing a troop of horsemen to fight the Turks, and have issued a proclamation to their followers calling for men and equipment. In preparation for actual

An offer for the purchase by the im-

icial announcement says: "Premier Botha stated to the South wheat crop of 1917 has been made and African Parliament today that the is row under advisement by the execu-transport Mendi, carrying the last tives of the Canadian Council of batch of the South African native la- Agriculture and the Grain Growers

The Canadian Council of Agriculture The Canadian Council of Agriculture taken by President Wilson only after he was convinced that Germany actual-ly was proceeding with her campaign of ruthlessness, and had made efforts to plot with Mexico and Japan against the territorial integrity of the United States.

> WHEAT SHORTAGE SERIOUS PROBLEM

French Parliament Discusses Big Gap Between Requirements and Supplies

BIG CUT IN ACREAGE

Paris, March 9.—France and her al-lles and neutral countries this year must economize or replace with othe cereals from 34 to 48 per cent. of their requirements of wheat, according to estimates made in the chamber of deputies today by Victor Boret, president of the agricultural committee.

In an important debate on the eco nomic policy of the government during

The example of these two emirs, this nomic policy of the government during communication says further, has been the war. M. Boret produced expert estimates for the wheat crop of 1917 extending "the live coal of the move-ment from the borders of Syria to Egypt." Especially are the promoters of 000 to 190.000.000 bushels; require-of Arab union anxious to "light the fire" in the Irak and between the Euinvaded territory, 317,000.000 bushels, phrates and the Tigris. The importance of the union of the leaving a deficit of 127,000,000.

The requirements of the allies of two powerful Anzeh and Shamr tribes is in the fact that they number not fewer than 4,000,000 souls. This cov-France and neutrals abroad are from 560 000 000 to 570,000.000. The surplus available from overseas countries is from 360,000,000 to 370.000,000 bushels. leaving a deficit for the entente allies and neutrals of from 190,000,000 to gether that they may rid their land 216,000.000 bushels.

Grow Manitoba Wheat.

This was the third day of the debate It is also asserted that the great and powerful Sheikh Khazal Khan has sent a deputation to the sherif. Suleiduring which Fernand David, who was minister of agriculture Viviani's cabinet, and Anatole Monzie, former under-secretary his co-operation and submission, as well as his readiness to respond to a state for merchant marine, and other A communication from Irak states call for men and money. It is believed deputies sharply criticized the gov-that as a result of the action of the that an offensive and defensive treaty ergment's action on economic prob-Gand Sherif of Mecca several months has been made between him and the lems during the war. It developed during the debate that the wheat acreage of France was reduced about 800.000 by the invasion, out of a total will rally to this movement inaugur-ated by these two really powerful men. That the new order is producing of 16.250.000, while the deficiency for 1917 is estimated at 5.500 000 acres. of which 500,000 at least is expected results is shown in a surprise attack some 1500 horsemen of the new forces made on the soldiers guarding the cart 15 the Turkish Government had

canters the function diovernment had purchased menaratory to the attack on the Suez Canal as well as to had it: putting down the Arab revolt. The attacking party had been led to beheve there were large forces of the an equivalent of \$1.85 to \$2.25 per Turks near but instead the guard was bushel and also to intensify the use of The next parcel post mail for Eng-land will close at the general post-office at 5 p.m. Saturday, March 10. a great quantity of arms and am-

Half-Million to Fight Subs. London, March 9 .- The Nizam of

salient sharper than ever. It was dangerous before they withdrew; it has become a greater trap than ever in the estimation of General Maurice. The enemy now holds the ridge from Bucquoy to Bapaume, and once the British cross this ridge they expose Cambrai to their assault and ther British cross this ridge they expose Cambrai to their assault and they compel the Germans to fight on inferior ground and therefore at a great Nizam, of Hyderabad, Gives

campaign.