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HAIG'S FIERCE COUNTERS GIVENCHY BACK-CAPTURES 800

ENEMY WEIGHT PUSHES BRITISH LINE 4 MILES

"HERE'S TO DEAR OLD TROTZKY!"

Nation Stirred to Core by Gravity of West Front Crisis.

Leonard Wood to Americans: "We are only at the beginning. We can win this war, but it can only be won by the combined efforts of the men and women of America. We must all stand together, sacrificing, suffering, saying little, always patient."

Advice to Irishmen.

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The Times says: "It is worth any Irishman's while who hopes some time to see the Irish people happy and contented to use all his powers of persuasion in favor of a peaceful acceptance of conscription.

The Tribune, arguing for the necessity of speed, says: "We have manpower to give almost without limit. Sending 5,000,000 or even 10,000,000 men to the battle line is an enterprise that involves technical difficulties only."

YOUNG MAN, HIT BY STREET CAR, SERIOUSLY HURT

Came From Behind One Car Directly Into Path of Another.

The young man's condition is regarded whelming vote as extremely critical. This afternoon the was still unconscious at Victoria

He was riding his bicycle, following ap westbound car. Attempting to pass the car at Waterloo street, he turned to the left instead of turning to the right, and crashed into an eastbound Ridout street car in charge of Motorman A. Robinson and Conductor John Taylor. The motorman and conductor looked after the injured young man, calling Dr. Nelson George, who was on the scene in a few minutes, and summoning the acident was removed to Victoria Hospital and his family was notified.

The father of the injured man is out the forth of the accident was removed to the case which is massage, a feature of the

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 42; lowest, 21.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 30; lowest, 23.

WAR WORK, HYDRO ELECTRIC U. S. SLOGAN DOWN ONE HOUR

New Regulations Being Work ed Out by Manager of Utilities Commission To Keep City Consumption of Power Within Limits Permitted by the H ydro Commission.

going without their toast. Manager for an appeal to Americans to speed up all war work, especially ships to transport troops.

America is Stirred.

The World says:

"The daring frankness, characteristic of the great British leader, has not effected the power. At 10:45 until 12 overstated facts. The bitterness, the gravity, the danger orf the German attack have, as he said, stirred the resolution and determination of the Americans can people as nothing until now had done."

The Herald says Premier Lloyd George does not underestimate the gravity of the crisis centrentiation shattle against savagery. His warning runs along parallel lines with that of Major-General Leonard Wood to Americans: "We are only at the beginning. We can be leaded to the industrial regulations, which wild affect every worker in plants operated by hydro, the city is being divided into eight zones. Each of these hours each day.

Can Work Other Hours.

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From 7 to 8 a.m. the whole load can of hydro power available while be taken care of. Four zones will be off dustries continue to use coal.

ADVICE TO THE IRISH

The City of London is on lighting rations today, and in a day or so all industries can make up their nations.

This action is the result of the shortage of hydro. The power was shut off from Niagara four times this morning in half as many hours because the city was exceeding its load. Drastic measures are necessary that all may be treated equally.

This morning the lighting was curtailed. All domestic consumers had light up to 8:15. By that time Manager Euchanan guessed the city would have had its breakfast and that electric stoves and toasters would be shut off. He guessed wrong. There were a few largerity of the military situation and the necessity for additional manpower, for an appeal to Americans to speed up all war work, especially ships to transport troops.

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The policy now being used in other places is to divide the city into six zones as week. Mr. Buchanan discarded this form his morning the lighting was curtailed. All domestic consumers had light up to 8:16. By that time Manager Euchanan heard about it.

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While the downtown section was without it. And when it was shut off the downtown section was without it. And when it was shut off the downtown section was without it. And when it was shut off the other was not of the government wheat which is wanted for overseas immediately. In face of this there was nothing to ab

MAN POWER BILL **BOMBSHELL FOR BRITISH HOUSE**

Heated Exchanges Between Lloyd George and the New Irish Chieftain.

London, April 10.—A political bomb-nell was thrown in the House of Comns yesterday by David Lloyd George.

This was his third attempt.

prime minister, when he announced to conscription would be extended to land, and that the Government innded to extend home rule to Ireland. The scenes in the House during the course of the premier's speech in reference to Ireland were dramatic, approving cheers and cries of protest arising from all parts of the House. During the latter part of his speech The son of a well-known local businessman was struck by a street car and seriously injured this morning on Dundas street in front of the armories.

The young man's condition is regarded.

No Signs of Conciliation.

Irish approval of the proposed measures was not foreshadowed by the atti-He was riding his bicycle, following tude of the Nationalist leaders, nor did

bicycle was demolished as a re- | war and voted to commit the Empire to it. After reading a declaration of the Irish party, approving British participation in the war, the premier continued: "May I also refer to a speech delivered by the late John Redmond at Mansion House, Dublin, when he was addressing a recruiting reactive there." a recruiting meeting there. He said:
'The heart of Ireland has been profoundly moved by the spectacle of the heroism and sufferings of Belgium. The other day in London I met Cardinal Mercler, and I took the liberty of promising him then that Ireland would bring her arms and her strength to average Louvely and

Highest, 30; lowest, 23.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COLD.
Toronto, April 10—8 a.m.
Forecasts.

Strong northeast winds; fair and cold today and on Thursday.

Temperatures.

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

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The high area is now over the Province of Quebec with undiminished intensity, while the Atlantic coast disturbance is dispersing over North Carolina and Virginia.

Mitchell Private Has **Escaped From Enemy** In His Third Attempt

Horace Robinson Sends Word to His Parents That He Is Safe.

Stratford, April 10 .- Pte. Horace M. Robinson of Mitchell, who was taken prisoner in Germany three years ago, has made his escape, according to official word to his parents this morning.

HEAVY LOSS BY FIRE FOR OXFORD FARMER

\$8,000 Damage Done by Destruction of a Barn.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ingersoll, April 10.—A fire loss which will probably reach \$8,000 occurred about 4 o'clock this morning on the farm of John Wilson, West Oxford. A large barn, about 40 head of cattle, one horse,

Washington, D. C., April 10.—The United States Government's aircraft pro-gram is characterized as "gravely disappointing" and a drastic reorganization of production machinery was recom-mended in a report by the Senate mill-tary committee today, which charges Government officials with misrepresentng the situation and misleading the bublic and with "procrastination" and

"indecision."

The prospects for the future, the committee said, look more favorable and the production of the last few weeks promises to get the program under way to such an extent that a sufficient number of places. ber of planes will be furnished later to meet all requirements of the troops in France.

CANADA'S WAR EXPENSE AMOUNTS TO \$207,849,726

Ottawa, April 10.—Up to the end of February Canada's war expenditure on capital account totalled \$207,849,726. For the month of February war expenditure was \$19.494,711, as compared with \$23,-285,988 in February of last year.



believes that this order would be enforced only where there is an abundance of hydro power available while the industries continue to use coal. HOLDS WELLI

With the British Forces in France, April 10 .-The British this morning were holding strongly along the new battle line south of Armentieres, after a night of bitter fighting which was most intense about the all-important Givenchy Hill, on the right

"On the Messines front the enemy's attack today was repulsed," Major General F. B. Maurice, chief director of military operation at the war office, announced this afternoon.

"The enemy has obtained no footing on the high ground anywhere."

"Armentieres," General Maurice went on, "is now little more than a heap of ruins, and its loss would not be a vital matter. It is not lost yet, and we hope it will not be, but it may be."

QUEBEC MOB SNIPED SOLDIERS, SAYS LEADER OF THE TROOPS; STRAY BULLETS CAUSE OF DEATHS

Gun Was Not Turned Directly On Rioters.

Quebec, April 10.—Major G. B. Rogers, Toronto, who had charge of the militia in St. Rochs on the night of the riot, Monday, April 1, was the main witness today at the coroner's inquest into the death of the four civilians killed during

He explained that he had 1,180 men under his command that night, with ten machine guns stationed here and there throughout the riot zone.

He said only one of the machine guns was fired, and that was in St. Sauveur, near Bagot street, where the four civilians were killed. He says it worked barely a few seconds, and that about thirty-six bullets were fired from its muzzle.

Rlot Act Was Read.

Witness also stated that the rlot act was read about nine that night near the Jacques Cartler Market Place by Capt. Haigtins. He says Capt. Haigtins read the riot act by heart, both in French and English.

He said he had received orders to subdue the trouble as much as possible by the simple presence of the troops, and to fire among the crowd at the very latest possible moment, to prevent, if Riot Act Was Read. latest possible moment, to prevent, if possible, any bloodshed. His special mis-

sion that night was to prevent the hold-ing of Armand Lavergre's announced meeting and to prevent any groups from

Major Rogers Says Machine the mob away. He says the machine gun barked a mere second or two firing at the most 36 bullets. at the most 36 bullets.

Hit By Stray Bullets.

The major added that he was positive the machine gun hit no one, that all those who were hit were touched by stray bullets.

Questioned by Armand Lavergne, attorney for families of some of the victims, Major Rogers said that all the soldiers who helped quell the riots in Quebec City were draftees, none of them having seen fire at the front. He said that some of the officers, however, were men returned from the front.

Govt. Plans To Amend Military Service Act The Farthest Point East Yet

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Bill Is in Course of Making and Will Be Ready Shortly.

Ottawa, April 10.-Amendments to the military service act, it is understood are now under consideration by the Government. The full scope of the amendments, it is stated, has not yet been deter- Reuter dispatch from Petrograd. Khairmined, but a bill is expected to be ready kov is 400 miles south of Moscow, and is

AMERICAN HONOR-GUARD FOR THEIR MAJESTIES FATHER DIES AS SON

PRESS THE BRITISH BACK IN FURIOUS FLANDERS FIGHT

tieres to Messines.

POWERFUL TEUTON FORCES

London, April 10.—American reinforcements have appeared in the British battle zone, says a dispatch from British headquarters in France to Reuter's, Limited. Their presence in the fighting line, the correspondent adds, should soon be felt.

THE WAR SITUATION

New German attacks today have carried the fighting in the great battle on the western front into Flanders, and extended the battlefront to a stretch of approximately 130 miles, from near the Belgian town of Ypres, in the north, to the vicinity of Coucy-le-Chateau, on the extreme French right.

Deep Salient Driven.

The fresh German blow, struck yesterday between La Bassee and Armentieres, has already driven a deep sallent into the British lines between Armentieres, and the Armentieres region itself, was reported under attack this morning. The infantry fighting is spreading to the northward, following a heavy bombardment by the German guns which extended as far as the pres-Comines Canal, just to the southeast of Ypres.

Armentieres Pocketed.

Armentieres, already near the tip of a sharp bend in the line, has now been further pocketed and seems in serious peril from converging attacks north and south. The British however, are holding the line of the River Lys, to the southwest of the town, and at the latest reports had prevented an attempted crossing by the Germans at tempted crossing by the Germans at Bac St. Maur, four miles southwest of Armentieres, and another at Estaires, still further to the southwest.

The British Line.

From the vicinity of Estaires the British are holding the line of the River

Eritish are holding the line of the River Lawe southward for a short distance, the front then curving in a southeasterly direction, and coupling up with the original line at or near Givenchy. The maximum depth of the German penetration was apparently about 4½ miles at Esta!res. Givenchy, at one time in German hands during the attack, was retaken by the British in a counter

thrust.

Depends on Givenchy.

The German effort on this new front, if it succeeds to no further extent than it apparently has so far, does not seem likely to have any greater effect than to compel modifications in the British line north of La Bassee Canal. If the British can continue to hold Givenchy. British well Placed.

British was British of the southward would hardly be disturbed and the direct effect of the drive on the greater battle to the south would be negligible.

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There remains the possibility of the attack north of Armentieres developing further importance with relation to the Flanders line as a whole. The British are well placed on high ground at the salient points in this region, however, which they were not in the region south of Armentieres, the Germans holding the advantage of terrain there. The Germans seem to be concentrating their effort on the new Flanders operating the fighting along the line of their great drive to the southward, which was halted before Amiens, having largely died down. Only local fighting, which had no appreciable effect on the situation, is reported along the British part of this front.

The French were more hotly engaged at one point, giving some ground in a heavy attack by the Germans near hangard en Canterre, but pre-establishing their position in a counter-attack. No serious attempts appear to have been made by the Germans to advance at other points on the French front.

KHARKOV TAKEN BY THE GERMANS

Reached by Invaders of

London, April 10 .- The Bolshevik Government announces that it has received news that the Germans and Ukrainians have occupied Kharkov, according to a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd. Kharthe furthest point east yet reached by the Germans.

Treating the second of the sec

Desperate Struggle Which Broke Out Yesterday In Belgium Extended This Morning By Germans, Who Attack From Armen-

ARMENTIERES IN A POCKET; FRENCH STOP HEAVY ASSAULTS

British Troops Standing On L ine of Rivers Lawe and Lys-Battle Now Rages On a F ront of Over Hundred Miles-Brilliant Feat of 55th Div ision.

London, April 10.—"In this morning's attack the enemy entered the British first line trenches between the Rivers Lys and Doube," said Major General F. B. Maurice, chief director of military operations at the war ortice today.

"The attack extended from Armentieres to Messines."

With the British Forces in France, April 10 .--The Germans this morning extended the sector of vesterday's attack to the northward by launching a drive against the British between Armentieres and Messines.

800 GERMANS TAKEN.

Once yesterday and again last evening the Ger mans gained ground at Givenchy, but each time the British threw themselves so fiercely on the invaders that the latter were forced to withdraw, the last time leaving upwards of 800 prisoners behind them.

At its deepest point the German penetration is about four and a half mil es.

FIERCE FIGHTING ALL NIGHT.

London, April 10 .- In their new attack on the front north of the Somme battlefield, the Germans yes terday forced their way in to Givenchy, but the British recaptured the town, the war office announces.

Fierce fighting continu ed during last night on the front north of La Bassee C anal. The British troops are standing on the line of the Rivers Lawe and Lys, and are engaged in heavy fight ing with the Germans at the river crossings at Estaires and Bac St. Mieur.

The 55th Division, which recaptured Givenchy. took 775 prisoners.

FRENCH COUNTER-ATTACK WINS

Paris, April 10 .- Ge rman troops last night de livered a heavy attack on the French lines near Hangar-en-Santerre, which was met by a French counter-attack, preventing the Germans from gaining any advantage, the war o ffice announces.

West of Castel and west of Noyon, German ef. forts to advance failed.

"INSANE BLUNDER," IS O'CONNOR'S VIEW OF IRISH COMPULSION

San Francisco, April 10.-Application n Ireland of military conscription would be an "insane blunder," according to a

be an "insane blunder," according to a cablegram sent to John Dillon by T. P. O'Connor, who is here today. The cablegram follows:

"I must at once record a solemn warning that conscription in Ireland will paralyze its friends and encourage its bitterest enemies in this country.

"This insane blunder would again render fritile the best efforts of Irish leaders everywhere."

MUCH DAMAGE BY GALE ABOUT HAMILTON BAY

Hamilton, April 10.-The high wind of last night and this morning did thousands of dollars damage around Hamilton harbor. On the city front of the water, boathouses were swept away, roads and power poles washed out, and the bay covered with wreckage. The damage along the beach is also said to be very heavy.

NO APPROACH MADE BY RIBOT TO AUSTRIANS

GERMAN ATTACK EXTENDING
London, April 10.—The German
front of attack is extending today.
Early this morning a bombardment
was begun of the British positions
from the Armentieres region as far
north as the Ypres-Comines Canal.
On the southern part of this front
infantry fighting is reported to have
begun.

The announcement follows:

"On the front north of La Bassee
Canal, flerce fighting continued during the night. Our troops are holding the line of the rivers Lawe and Lys and are heavily engaged with the enemy at the river crossings at Estalres and Bac St. Maure.

Gallant Fifty-Fifth.

"On the southern flank of attack Givenchy, into which the enemy at one time forced his way, was recaptured later in the day by a successful counter-attack by the 55th divison, which took 775 prisoners in this area.

"Early this morning the enemy opened a heavy bombardment of our positions east and north of Armentieres, as far as the Ypres-Com-

mentieres, as far as the Ypres-Con Continued on Page Eleven. SOVIETS PROTEST OVER VLADIVOSTOK AFFAIR

Moscow, April 9 .- A protest against the landing of Japanese armed forces at Vladivostok has been sent to the Japanese consul there by a committee representing the all-Siberian Soviets.

GRAND TRUNK BUSINESS SMASHED ALL RECORDS

Montreal, April 10 .- The annual meet Paris, April 10.—Former President Ribot said teday that the French Government, of which he was the head at the time Count Czernin asserts conversations concerning peace had been held between Austria-Hungary and France, never took, directly or through a neutral intermediary, any initiative in such a proceeding as the Austrian official communication asserts.