

LOOKING BETTER IS REPORT FROM BRITISH FRONT

Distinct Improvement as Result
of Withdrawal in North

RETIREMENT BY NIGHT

Statement of Situation on Wednesday—Haig Continues to Expect
Terrible Toll From Germans
but Further Mighty Blows From
Prussian Machine Expected

With the British Army in France, April 17.—(By the Associated Press)—Things looked distinctly better today from the Allied standpoint as a result of the British withdrawal in the north, which eliminated the great salient that bulged out over the Passchendaele Ridge system. The defending troops this morning were sitting in snugly prepared positions along a line running a little east of Ypres, after a secret and orderly night retirement, with which the enemy interfered in no way.

In the meantime the British were more than holding their own in the fierce struggle in the Wytschaete-Baillieu sector, where the progress of the German troops had threatened the defenses of the wide-swinging salient to the north. Wytschaete today was reported to be again in British hands, but such was the nature of the struggle that it would be unwise to make a definite claim at this time (3 p. m.).

(The British official report of later date announced its loss for the second time to the Germans.)

Certainly the men in khaki were fighting gallantly, and they were giving little ground here, according to the latest advice from the front lines. In all the northern fighting grievous casualties have been inflicted on the Germans.

Between Merville and Givenchy also there have been heavy engagements. In this section the invaders were hurled back. Further British successes are to be recorded for the zone below Arras, although this sector has retired to the background since the drive to Hazebrouck began.

Not only have the British stood off numerous enemy masses at Bucquoy, but they have forced the Germans out of Boyelles and re-established themselves in this place.

All this was most heartening, although no delusions are held as to the prospects of further mighty blows by the Prussian machine.

Army Glad at Bold Move.
Had anyone said months ago that there would soon be a reversion to the British withdrawal and abandon the Passchendaele Ridge system, which was won with such difficulty last summer, it would have excited derision. But the whole British army is glad at this bold move. It not only lessens the danger from the enemy drive about Ypres, but it greatly shortens the defensive line. It seems hard in a way to give up ridges over which the British battled forward in such a heroic manner, but it is a decidedly for the best and will help defeat Prussians.

The retirement was a result of nature, judgment and was no secret affair, for it was known it was pending. The new lines had been prepared and artillery had been placed in position before the infantry quickly began to pull back under cover of darkness.

If the Germans anticipated any such move they did not look for it at the time it happened. They began to push cautiously forward when it became apparent that nothing unusual had happened. They found the forward positions vacant and then advanced in greater numbers. Then the British artillery opened at an opportune moment and deluged the whole infantry with an inferno of fire, which worked havoc among the wandering infantry.

The Germans must now pull forward and once more make the difficult heights, and they will have to drag their artillery over bad ground to the positions which it occupied before the British offensive began last summer. It will be an undesirable task.

Coincidentally with their drives around Baillieu and to the north, the Germans have continued to push hard to the south.

Blinded by Indigestion

And Tortured by Headache—Spells
Became More and More Frequent
Until Cure Was Found

Ingonish Beach, N. S., April 17.—Chronic indigestion is hard to get rid of because the treatments used aim at relief rather than at removing the cause. This letter shows how the trouble develops from constipation until the digestive system is upset, the food ferments, and headaches and blinding dizzy spells result.

In this case cure was effected by the use of Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. Mrs. Donovan writes that she has never had a headache since. This seems to be conclusive evidence of the thoroughness of the cure.

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French So Size Up Position Of
The Germans

THIS NOT THE LAST BATTLE

Regarded, However, as Having
Decisive Influence on the War—
Enemy Now Suffering Effects of
Former Vandalism

With the French Army in France, April 17.—(By the Associated Press)—While the cannon continue to roar along the battle line, there has for some days been a virtual cessation of infantry combats, especially on the French part of the front. It is believed that the lull will prove temporary, and, despite their terrific losses and the exhaustion of many of their divisions, it is considered possible that the German general staff is merely pausing to gather forces for another effort to break through. Any such effort is awaited confidently by the Allies.

Almost without exception it is thought the present battle will have a decisive influence on the result of the war, but it would be an error to regard it as the last battle.

So far as it has gone, the German offensive may be looked on as a failure, since none of its objectives have been attained and the Allied armies are still intact, while the Germans now, owing to the diminution of their forces through casualties, are in an inferior position to that which they occupied before the battle. The only result they can show is the recapture of a large tract of country they themselves devastated, where they may be compelled to dig themselves in. They are doing this in some parts of their new front, but under continual harrying by the Allied cannon. In consequence of the Germans falling all the trees in the Somme sector before they retreated last year, the French and British gunners have a perfectly clear way for working parties. The Germans may decide, or be allowed, to remain there until all is in favor of the Allies, who are awaiting constant increase of their strength through the arrival of American contingents.

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

A London dispatch announces that the government's main power bill has passed the second reading of the House of Lords.

The British Admiralty report fifteen ships sunk during the week. Eleven were over 1,600 tons. The arrivals numbered 2,211; sinkings, 2,456.

The Spanish vessel Louisa has been torpedoed. Three of the crew were lost.

TOWN ELECTIONS.

Shediac, April 17.—The town election took place yesterday and went by acclamation with the exception of ward two.

The council is as follows: Mayor, A. W. McQueen; ward one, James Casey, Philip Theriault; ward two, Dr. A. Sarmy, J. F. Leger; ward three, Leon Cassidy, R. A. Leger; ward four, A. Roberts, P. T. Richard.

Sackville, April 17.—The elections for Sackville were held on Tuesday. H. M. Wood was elected mayor by acclamation. The aldermen are Estabrooks, McKenle, Charles Pawcett, Dr. Fred, Capt. Anderson, D. A. R. Fraser, Fred Tingley and Dr. Sangster.

An alarm from Box 42 called out the firemen a little after midnight for a slight fire, in a small workshop at 261 Duke street, owned by O. C. Ward.



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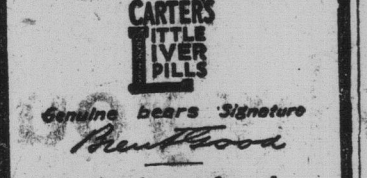
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GERMAN INDUSTRY CAUSING GREATER CONQUEST SPIRIT

Need Military Victory and Annex-
ations to Protect Against
Economic War

Reprints in Trade—If U. S. Will Not
Supply Raw Materials Germany Will
Hold Potash and Dyestuffs

The Hague, April 17.—There has been a marked change among the German political leaders who passed the famous Reichstag peace resolution and apparently the Socialist party has been unable to withstand the pressure of German labor opinion, which for some months has repeatedly given voice to its anger over the uncooperative spirit of the Entente.

According to information received, men who a few months ago would not listen to any annexation plans, admit today that compensation in some form must be exacted by a "victorious Germany."

They justify the change of opinion by reminding the people that Dr. Hertling and Count Cernig have both stated repeatedly that if Germany's peace offers were disregarded by the enemy, the Central Powers would not feel pledged to peace without compensations and annexations.

Much of this change in the public mind has been brought about by the menace of a commercial and industrial war after the world war, and in this respect America's attitude probably has been most effective.

The people here are of opinion that the Central Powers will end the war victoriously in a military way.

"But what will be the situation between us and America afterward?" they ask. This question is asked not only in the industrial centres, but even often on the seacoast.

It is generally assumed that none of the other belligerents, nor any neutral country, will be able to take Germany's place as a producer of all the goods America used to buy from Germany.

Emigration to Europe.

The Deutsche Zeitung makes the point that if America expects her industries to continue prosperous after the war she must encourage immigration, but says that because of the European war there will be none, and on the contrary a large emigration from the United States to Europe, especially to Germany.

Professor Troelisch says commerce and industry will find themselves seriously handicapped after the war. Although

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heretofore one of the most indefatigable champions of a peace of conciliation without annexations, he now publishes an article in the Muenchener Neueste Nachrichten, in which he says:

"As Briey and Belfort appear in quite a different light today, so does the question of Belgium. Here, we must demand an eye for an eye, and one necessity must count against another. It would never do for us to play general benefactor."

What Professor Troelisch alludes to is openly demanding that Germany's captives of industry, who insist that Briey and Longwy, besides a strip of French land wide enough to protect the iron mines from hostile guns in any future war be

PATRONAGE IN DEPARTMENT IS ABOLISHED

Minister of Militia so Announces
in House of Commons

at Ottawa

Ottawa, April 18.—In the House of Commons yesterday, in supply on the military estimates, the government was questioned as to the existence of patronage lists. The minister of militia replied that patronage had been abolished, that he had given verbal orders to this effect at a conference attended by the commanders of the various military districts of the dominion.

A resolution of the minister of labor to encourage and aid the organization and co-ordination of employment offices and in this connection to appropriate \$50,000 during 1918-19, \$100,000 during the following year, and in subsequent years \$150,000, was adopted and a bill based upon it was given first reading.

Second reading of a bill to provide salaries for the minister of the overseas military forces, the secretary of state for external affairs, the minister of immigration and colonization, and the minister of soldiers' civil re-establishment was given but there was some criticism.

Captain Read suggested the appointment of a minister of fisheries, if the government was considering dividing any more of the departments.

The prime minister promised consideration and A. B. Copp recommended that if a minister were appointed he should be chosen from Prince Edward Island.

Incorporated into the German Empire.

Borsig, chief of the famous house of August Borsig, writes in the Vosische Zeitung that the menace of economical war after the war, as decided on by the Paris conference, has made it imperative for German industry to seek independent sources of raw products.

The Paris conference is merely used as an excuse to air the annexationist desires, which, however, are now no longer cloaked.

"The deposits of iron ore in Longwy and Briey," Borsig says, "would make us quite independent of any importation of raw material. We could spare even the Swedish ore. Even if we were to treat France leniently and generously and leave her in possession of these districts, we have no security that it will serve us likewise."

Great Iron Industry.

"The iron industry is wonderful, a great tree in the midst of the field of the German industry. Its roots are the supply of raw products; its trunk the iron mills and steel works, upon which spread flourishing branches of many-sided industry. During the war it has been very difficult to keep this splendid tree alive for half its roots extend to foreign countries. This tree has been growing close to the German border line. If we want to secure it we must take growing territory to make sure that in the future its roots need not wander beyond the German frontier."

The fact that President Wilson, in his recent Baltimore speech, gave prominence to his use of the word "force" impressed the German press, for most of the papers use his word in their headlines.

The Cologne Volks Zeitung calls Mr. Wilson the "force politician." It declares the speech worthless as an historical document, and says it was meant only to have a political and psychological effect on the Americans. Mr. Wilson, the paper asserts, has not been over-careful about keeping to the truth, as he is only considering immediate results.

Business Procrust.

It is now the business procrust of the big American world-war business," says the Volks Zeitung, "the Wall Street



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commissioner and representative of the ever-increasingly great American financial interests, and the exponent of the war profiteering trust. This he was from the beginning, and he will remain true to the role to the end. It would go badly with him if he tried to resist the pressure put on him by the group of New York billionaires.

The paper scoffs at Mr. Wilson for continuing to talk of ideals, and says that when people remember the note of the period of "neutrality," it is difficult to recognize the thoughtful, philosophical clergyman's son, who now cries "force, force to the utmost," but that only the tactics have changed and not the policy. It is contended that while Mr. Wilson talks of fighting for freedom, he is really fighting for the large sums invested in the war, as America's debtors must not go bankrupt. The paper asserts that the Americans will continue to throw good money after bad.

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BRITISH VICTORIES IN GERMAN EAST AFRICA.

London, April 17.—The official statement on military activities in East Africa says:

"On April 6 one of General Northey's columns occupied Mahua and pushed eastward. On April 11 this column heavily engaged a German main force and inflicted severe losses on them. On the same day General Edwards' troops executed a night march and seized Medowbom on April 12 after an all day engagement in which the German losses were severe. The enemy was driven in the direction of Mwalu."

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