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THE TRIANGLE CAMPAIGN OPENS TO ENCOURAGING START

British Labor Minister Outspoken With Regard to Huns

RED TRIANGLE CAMPAIGN IS OFF TO A MAGNIFICENT START

Great Enthusiasm Prevailed and the Indications Looks Well for theRaising of the Twenty Five Thousand

The Brantford end of the Red Triangle campaign was very successfully launched at the Brantford Club last evening, following the Rotary Club dinner, under whose auspices the work is being conducted.

The enthusiasm was such as is chracteristic of all Rotarians and the large attendance at this gathering promises well for the raising of $25,000 for Brantford and Brant County as their share of the ten and a quarter million being asked from the whole of Canada during the next three days, in order to enable our Canadian boys to "carry on" and help bring the tide of victory to the Allies.

Mr. W. S. Brewster, the capable chairman of the local campaign executive, presided and expressed confidence in the results of the work of the different Rotarian teams selcted to prosecute the canvas. He hoped the objective would be more than exceeded for the needs of the Red Triangle increased with each passing day.

The speaker of the evening, Captain Newcombe, of Simcoe, was then introduced and gave a most interesting account of the Red Triangle work as he had seen it overseas as well as in Canada. He pointed out that the Y.M.C.A. was one of the institutions that had been prepared during the past half century for this, their greatest work. It helped men of every creed and faith. It helped the soldier to keep true to the great vision and purpose that had possessed him when he first enlisted. It kept men from losing heart. One often wondered how men in such situations could be as cheerful as they are. The morale of an army was the spirit of victory that every man carried in his own heart—if lost it meant defeat. The Red Triangle work had received the hearty comendation of all from the commander-in-chief down. The Y. M.C.A. huts were most democratic institutions, where officer and private could mingle on common ground. Thousands of letters would never be written but for the provision the Y.M.C.A. has made for home communication.

The speaker then told of the remarkable work of the Khaki College, a branch of which was at Vimy Ridge. It was going to be one of the greatest contributions of the Y. M.C.A. to the period of reconstruction following the war. The concerts, entertainments and athletic departments had been very necessary and fruitful lines of activity.

The value of Red Triangle work had been shown in its recent establishment in the French and Italian armies, and in the belief that Russia would have been different had she had such an organization.

What we put into this work is an investment which will give great returns to us in a invigorated and glorified manhood. In closing, Capt. Newcombe paid a tribute to the Canadian soldiers and their great sacrifices.

The 42,000 white crosses over graves of Canadians in France and England called to us to do works worthy of those who had died, and to back up to the fullest extent the 360,000 who were ready to make the same sacrifice. We at home have known so little of the meaning of sacrifice. Such could not be measured in money terms. Remember our boys are going to see it through, and we must give to the limit to see them through.

The address concluded amid warm applause, following which organization was proceeded with under the direction of Rotarian Reg. Scarfe, chairman of teams committee.

The club then proceeded in a body to the city hall to further confer with the council regarding the grant from the city.

During the evening, a telegram was read from Mr. Lloyd Harris from Washington, announcing his subscription to the fund of $1,500.

Mr. Harris gave the initial subscription last year, and has increased it by 50 per cent this, in order to meet the increased amount required from Brantford.

The team workers are:

Team No. 1—L. Waterous, H. Conway, M. MacPherson, J. S. Dowling, C. S. Ellis, T. H. Preston, W. B. Race, J. M. Young, J. H. Spence.

Team No. 2—D. T. Williamson, T. S. Boles, A. B. Burnley, C. Cook, Geo. Harris, G. Pickles, G. H. Williamson, T. E. Ryerson.

Team No. 3—A. S. Towers, W. D. Christianson, A. M. Harley, S. A. Jones, W. P. Kellett, Geo. Stedman, C. H. Waterous, M. McEwen.

Team No. 4—J. G. Scarfe, I. Champion, E. C. Gould, C. A. Jarvis, Dr. Marquis, W. B. Preston, G. T. Scott, E. C. Tench.

Team No. 5—W. H. Webling, G. Brereton, Rev. Fotheringham, J. S. Murphy, E. Moule, J. C. Spence, H. T. Watt, M. Wilbee.

LABOR MEN AND SOCIALISTS

Issue a Significant Warning in Austria

By Courier Leased Wire.

Berne, Switzerland, May 7.—(via Reuter's Limited)—Labor and Socialist organizations in Austria threaten revolt against the government action in suspending parliament. Swiss newspapers print a telegram from Vienna quoting The Sozial Demokratische Korrespondez to the effect that a committee of the Socialist Party and a committee of the German Socialist deputies club have decided to issue a manifesto to the working class in regard to the government action in which the following declaration will be made:

"If absolution is re-established out of regard for pan-Germanism, which is prolonging the war, the working classes will be forced to fight for their rights."

The manifesto concludes by exhorting the workers to hold themselves to fight if necessary. The Socialist Arbeiter Zeitung of Vienna describes as childish and criminal the government's idea that it can sooth the passions of the mob and solve ac risis by simply proroguing parliament. It warns Premier von Seydler and those behind him that they are on the brink of a precipice.

DENIES THAT VATICAN

Has Interfered in the Case of Ireland

By Courier Leased Wire

Dublin, May 7.—Denial that the Irish episcopate is influenced by the Vatican in opposing conscription was made in a speech at Thurles Monday by the Most Rev. John Harty, archbishop of Cashel. All talk about any action by the Pope, he said arose in the imagination of some English bigots who had attempted by a cry of "No Popery" to intimidate the Irish bishops. The English Catholic Union, he added, talked of appealing to the Holy See, but it did not represent all the Catholics in England. Archbishop Harty continued:

"If they appeal to the Holy See, it is not the Irish bishops who will suffer."

The Irish bishops had interfered in the conscription issue, he declared, because conscription raised moral and religious questions.

LEAFS ARE GATHERING.

By Courier Leased Wire.

Toronto, May 6.—First baseman, Onslow and Pitcher Warhop, have reported to the Leafs and Infielder Bailey, late of the Braves, is expected to come in before night-fall. Manager Dan Howley has fifteen players under contract, but only twelve of the lot will be kept. Infielder Gadsby has been called to London to report for military services. It is likely that Infielder Tom Bird, a local boy and Pitcher 'Lefty' Rutledge also a Toronto product, will be dropped.

WEATHER BULLETIN

"Zimmie"

Toronto, May 7.—The depression which was in Dakota yesterday now covers the lake region attended by showery conditions from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces. In the West with the exception of a few light scattered showers the weather has been fair.

Forecasts.

Fresh south, shifting to west and northwest winds, occasional showers. Wednesday—Fair and a little cooler.

BRITISH MINISTER OF LABOR OPPOSED TO DEALINGS WITH LABOR MEN IN GERMANY

LONDON, May 7.—(Via Reuter's Limited).—George H. Roberts, minister of labor, speaking at Norwich yesterday, declared he was still strongly opposed to any conferences with the laboring class in Germany. He mentioned the presence in England last week of representatives of the American Federation of Labor. These men, he said, had come to England with definite instructions to resist every manoeuvre to bring them into contact with enemy citizens.

The minister said he had been criticized because he opposed attempts to arrange conferences with the German Socialists. He could not differentiate between one class or party in Germany and another. He knew the German Social Democrats, and they changed according to the course of the war. When things seemed to be going well for the Germans, they talked of indemnities, but when things were less hopeful their stomachs contracted and their consciences expanded, and they began to talk of peace. Mr. Robertson said he made this declaration to his friends from the United States:

"Stand firm. Do not be lured into any conferences where Germany is represented because if any German Social Democrats are allowed to attend a conference you may be sure they simply are there as representatives of the kaiser. I would sooner go to visit the Devil in Hell than to meet them."

Victory, Mr. Roberts concluded, must rest with Great Britain and her allies as assuredly as the tides would continue to ebb and flow.

STILL QUIET IN IRELAND

But There Can be no Doubt as to the Feeling

In Connection With the Conscription Proposals

By Courier Leased Wire

London, May 7.—Ireland remains remarkably quiet, says the Dublin correspondent of The Daily Mail in reporting on conditions there incident to the anti-conscription campaign.

"Although the church is raising," he adds, "an enormous 'national defense fund' which is ostensibly being collected to fight conscription, it apparently does not prepare to accept responsibility for the manner in which the money is spent and control of the fund has passed into the hands of the Sinn Feiners. The lists of names of men who signed the anti-conscription pledge under the direction of the priests is said to be in the hands of Sinn Feiners as a basis for a registration system.

"Conditions appeared to-day to be growing worse as Nationalism is being spread further along on the Sinn Fein flood. Moderate men of the Irish convention have fallen out of public recognition and it is quite obvious that whatever are the government's home rule proposals they will be rejected contemptuously by the bulk of the country and denounced more passionately than was conscription.

"The shortage of silver continues very acute, and difficulty in making change has almost paralyzed business in some towns. Postage stamps are being used in the midlands and in the west, instead of coin. The Bank of Ireland has received in the past three months a supply of silver five times greater as compared with the same period in previous years, but as long as the hoarding continues all efforts to meet the shortage probably will be futile."

ATTACK WAS BIG SUCCESS

Berlin Paper Admits the Truth at Last

By Courier Leased Wire.

London, May 7.—(via Reuter's Limited)—That the recent British attack on the German submarine base at Zeebrugge was a success is admitted by the Frankfurter Zeitung, in commenting upon the affair. The newspaper urges that the German navy take measures to deal with an antagonist of remarkable boldness.

"It would be foolish to deny," it says, "that the British fleet scored a great success through a fantastically audacious stroke in penetrating into one of the most important strongholds over which the German flag floats.

"However unpleasant it may be, we must frankly admit that the enemy ships actually entered the port of Zeebrugge. That being so, there is no reason why they should not achieve a similar feat at other times. It therefore behooves our navy command to be alert for we have to deal with an antagonist of remarkable boldness."

INCREASE WAGES

Is the Request of the Street Railway Men

It is understood that the Brantford Street Railway men have made the request to the commissioners that their pay be increased nine cents an hour. Increased cost of living is given as the main reason.

Members of the Board while not expressing an opinion either one way or the other at this juncture, seem to think that the maximum of earning has been reached on the present tolls. There was a deficit on the railway last year and added wages must either mean meeting of extra pay out of taxation rates, or else a rise in the price of the fares—probably to five cents straight. The whole matter will have to be thoroughly gone into.

BIG TRIBUTE TO Y.M.

Is Paid by General Currie, Canadian Commander

Great Work Accomplished by the Association

By W. A. Willison, Canadian Press Correspondent.

Canadian Army Headquarters, May 6.—At a meeting of Y. M. C. A. officers at the headquarters, General Currie expressed sincere thanks on behalf of the corps for the work of the association.

In the course of a short address to the corps, the commander said:

"There are two factors in winning the fight. One of these is the morale of the troops. It is in this that you have done so much. The Canadians have the reputation of being good soldiers. That is because their morale is high.

"I realize the morale of the Canadians is only possible because they are well looked after, and this is where the Y.M.C.A. comes in. Men forget the sights of war and seem to get a fresh start through your programs, your sports, and your canteens. The canteens provide things for the men which they cannot get elsewhere, and you supply them at such reasonable rates. You are a wonderful help to us in beating the bosche. This year we are going to need your help more than ever."

Emphasizing the extremely valuable factor the Y.M.C.A. is in winning battles, the corps commander closed his address with an appeal to the officers of the association to do their utmost this year.

TWO DROWNED IN CANOE.

Winnipeg, May 6.—Two men named Berrier and Regan of Redditt, Ont., on the Canadian Government Railway, lost their lives while canoeing on a small lake five miles south of Redditt, Ont., The body of Regan has been recovered.

BRITISH PAPERS

Make Comment Regarding the Lusitania

Deed Summed up the Savage Hun Nature

By Courier Leased Wire.

London, May 7.—The Lusitania anniversary is commemorated by the newspapers to-day with big captions and special articles recalling the crime which the British public is not likely to forget.

The Daily Graphic, in an editorial, laments that the public apparently is becoming dulled to the horror of the Lusitania atrocity. It asks why there is not a commemorative procession this year as there was last year. If there is not, it asks, will its absence not be proof of the extent to which Germany's many crimes against humanity has lessened the world's sense of tenderness? It adds

"It is because the torpedoing of the Lusitania summed up in one cold blooded act the savage ruthlessness of the German race that the anniversary of that foul deed should be celebrated when every other commemoration is forgotten."

"Germany has not changed since then," says The Daily Mail. "That is the important thing for all us to remember. The repentant Germany of which our pacifists prattle, simply does not exist. She still glories in the sinking of the Lusitania and the butchery of women and children and will repeat that and every other atrocity again at the first profitable opportunity.

"That is only one of one hundred reasons why the war must go on until she is hammered into sanity."

RECRUIT LAVAL STUDENTS.

By Courier Leased Wire

Quebec, May 6.—Father Filion, rector of Laval University, this morning read the students a letter he had received from the Deputy Minister of Militia, suggesting that a company of infantry, two hundred and fifty strong, be formed of young students of the institution and affiliated colleges. The suggestion was well received.

Under this scheme the men enlisting in this particular unit will be entitled to compete for commission and non-commissioned officer rank and will be allowed to select the unit they will serve in, once they are in France.

Major T. Paquet will organize the company along the lines adopted by the Toronto University.

STEAMER GROUNDED

By Courier Leased Wire.

Port Huron, Mich., May 6.—Tugs have gone to the assistance of the steamer William E. Corey, 1,500 tons, which is aground in the St. Clair River, off Fawn Island, opposite Marine City. She grounded during the night while upbound with full cargo. She is reported only slightly damaged.

SHIPPING STATISTICS

By Courier Leased Wire

Washington May 6.—Ten steel ships of 57,695 tons and six wooden ships of 21,500 tons were launched by American yards in the week ending May 5, the Shipping Board announced to-day. Twelve steel ships of 80,180 tons were delivered to the Board complete in the same period.

STILL HELD IN CHECK

Germans Have Not Renewed Attack in Force

Artillery Fire However Still Most Intense

By Courier Leased Wire

Germany's hordes are still held in check. Neither in Flanders nor in Picardy, nor along the important Arras sector has the enemy renewed his attacks in force and he has not reacted against the gain made north of the Somme by the Australians in which more than 200 prisoners were captured.

London reports a successful raid last night in the neighborhood of Neuville-Vitasse on the front recently taken over by the Canadians in which prisoners and three machine guns were taken.

On both battle fronts, however, the artillery fire has been most intense and the German attack cannot much longer be delayed if the enemy hopes to take advantage of whatever damage has been done to the allied positions by the heavy bombardments carried out by his guns since the repulse north of Mont Kemmel, more than a week ago. The greatest German artillery activity has been on the north half of the Flanders front and south of the Somme to below the Avre in Picardy.

THREE GUNS WERE TAKEN

In a Successful Raid by the British

By Courier Leased Wire

London, May 7.—The British made a successful raid last night near Neuville-Vitasse, southwest of Arras, the War Office reports. Three machine guns were captured.

The statement follows:

"We carried out a successful raid last night in the neighborhood of Neuville-Vitasse (on the front recently taken over by the Canadians) and captured a few prisoners and three machine guns with slight casualties to our troops. A raid attempted by the enemy near Boyelles was repulsed. There is nothing further to report."

SECRET BELGIAN PAPER

Still Continues to Appear Despite Efforts of Huns

By Courier Leased Wire

Paris, April 20.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press).—The German administrators in Belgium have suffered another bitter disappointment in their efforts to rid themselves of the secret Belgian newspaper, La Libre Belgique, which has stung, ridiculed and laughed at them ever since they occupied the territory of the brave little kingdom.

The Germans announced recently that they had arrested three Belgian priests and three civilians and that they had behind the bars the editors, publishers, printers, and distributors of the secret paper. One of the priests was condemned to death and the others received prison sentences aggregating many years.

Next morning a brand new copy of La Libre Belgique was in its usual place in the letter box of Baron von Falkenhausen, Governor-General of Belgium, and the publication has appeared irregularly since. The death sentence imposed upon the priest was commuted to life imprisonment.

V.C. MAN IS INJURED

Gets Hurt More Severely Than at the Front

By Courier Leased Wire.

Vancouver B.C., May 7.—Private Michael James O'Rourke, who won the Victoria Cross and returned to Vancouver with no injury more serious than a badly bruised side was run down by an automobile on a Vancouver street yesterday and shows more marks of injury than after several years of fighting in France. He has a bruised eye, hand and knee. To-day he is determined to return to the front if the authorities will take him.

MILITARY SERVICE QUESTIONS

Came up at Morning Session of the Dominion House

The Duty on Tea Was Also Criticised

By Courier Leased Wire

Ottawa, May 7.—The opening of the first morning sitting of the House this session was marked by a serious of questions to the government respecting cancellation of exemptions from military service. Dr. Edwards drew attention to a report that four exemptions had been granted in Hull of between 20 and 23 years old.

Mr. Mewburn replied that he had already communicated with the military service council in regard to the report. The military service council had no knowledge of it, but were having it investigated. It was presumed that the cases were those of men who had made claim for exemption prior to the passing of the order in Council.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier: "Are the tribunals still sitting?"

"They are sitting," Sir Robert Borden replied, "in respect of men not between the ages of 20 and 22 inclusive. Any exemptions granted or pending of men between these ages were automatically cancelled."

The duty on tea provided by the budget was the subject of criticism by J. A. Campbell, Nelson, B.C. He said this tax would bear harder on the poor people than on the rich. It did not seem fair to him that people who are only able to buy the cheaper grades of tea, should pay the same tax as those who could afford the more expensive grades.

Mr. Campbell expressed disappointment that the government had not seen fit to decrease, if not remove completely the duty on agricultural implements. The income tax, thought Mr. Compbell, was not sufficiently large. He felt that the country could stand a greater taxation and that the people were willing to pay it at the present time. These taxes in Great Britain were very much more than in the Dominion. Unless the people were willing to pay higher taxes we would hand down a tremendous debt to posterity as a result of the war.

The natural resources of Canada, said Mr. Campbell, should be developed in order to help cope with the growing national debt. In the northern parts of the western provinces there were resources which were undreamed of. The construction of the Hudson Bay railway tended to develop certain of these resources and he assured the House that the West was unanimous in its approval of this work. The Hudson Bay Railway would give Canada a new ocean port and would open up a territory which had been found to be very rich.

SUBMARINE IS SUNK

By the United States Steamship "Tidewater"

By Courier Leased Wire

Washington, May 7—A Navy Department announcement says:—

"The commander of the armed guard on the Steamship Tidewater reports to the Navy Department that on March 17, about 11.30 a submarine was sighted off the starboard bow, heading towards the vessel, about 150 yards off. As the ship turned it missed the submarine by not more than 20 feet. The submarine was then submerging. The ship's guns were brought to bear and the first shot hit some distance ahead of her wake.

"The pointer fired the second shot and had what the captain, the chief engineer and other members of the crew called a clean hit, and was satisfied that it was effective. The third shot was fired by the boatswain's mate in charge of the aftergun's crew. We resumed our course and commenced zizzagging, standing by for an attack, but the submarine did not appear again. We made all preparations for an attack at daybreak, but there were no signs of a submarine."

BILL AGAINST, I.W.W.

By Courier Leased Wire

Washington, May 6.—A bill declared frankly to be aimed against the Industrial Workers of the World outlawing organizations which use or advocate violence to bring about "any governmental, social, industrial or economic change" during the war was passed to-day by the Senate after brief debate and went to the House.