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Germans Kill Ten in Bombardment of Nancy

Forty Others Wounded—Nothing Special on British Front; Great Guns Keep up Roar of Battle Near Verdun

Paris, Oct. 17.—Ten persons were killed and forty wounded in a bombardment of Nancy last night by German airplanes. On Monday and Tuesday twenty-five German airplanes were destroyed by the French, or compelled to land in damaged condition.

\$10,000 ITEM IN WHARF WORK IS DISPUTED

Payments Recommended Not According To Contract

COUNCIL INVESTIGATES

Motion For Payment Receives Majority Vote But Commissioner McLellan Nullifies It By Leaving Council Without a Quorum

There was an interesting session of the common council this morning when an inquiry was made into the figures of the progress estimates for the reconstruction of No. 5 warehouse at West St. John. As a result of the information elicited, Commissioner McLellan charged that the estimate included an amount of about \$10,000 not yet due and which the city should not be asked to pay.

His previous experience, he said, always had been customary to include allowances for such amounts in the progress estimates. He admitted that he was aware that this was not in accordance with the contract, which calls for payment for completed work only.

When the committee arose and reported to council, Commissioner Russell, acting as he said on the advice of the city solicitor, moved that the amount of the final estimate be paid. Commissioners Russell and Fisher and Mayor Hayes voted in the affirmative but, as Commissioner McLellan left the room before the vote was completed, he said, when he returned after the council adjourned, that there was no quorum and the vote could not be recorded.

More Families Rent Asunder By Heartless Germans

New York, Oct. 17.—The Evening World today publishes the following:—Amsterdam, Oct. 17.—The Germans are removing the French, particularly the women, from Lille, Roubaix, Tourcoing, Croix, and surrounding places to work for them. Only women without children and young girls are now being selected. They are taken to the railway stations by soldiers and then conveyed to destinations which are not disclosed to the parents they leave behind. Heart-rending scenes are witnessed when the

LIMIT NOW TO CLOTHING FOR BERLINERS

Government Cards Issued For Wearing Apparel

'SIGNS OF THE TIMES'

Needs be Optimist to See Things in Rosy Colors in German Capital—Official Make-up of Wardrobes for Men and Women

SCHOOL STRIKE STIRS NEW YORK

Trouble Over Gary System of Administration—Rough Work and Some Arrests

New York, Oct. 17.—The police today continued to guard four public schools on the upper east side where several thousand pupils went on strike yesterday as a protest against the so-called Gary system of school administration, which has been made an issue in the local majority campaign.

OCTOBER BRIDES

A wedding of much social and military interest took place this morning at 8.15 in the Knox Presbyterian church, when Major Douglas Duncan McArthur of the 26th Battalion, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McArthur, was united in marriage to Miss Ethel Grace Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Evans, of St. Peter street.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT TO HEAD CLUB OF AMERICAN OFFICERS IN LONDON

London, Oct. 17.—The Duke of Connaught, former governor-general of Canada, and now colonel-general of the volunteer force, has consented to become president of the American Officers Club in London.

RECORD WHEAT CROP IN INDIA IS REPORTED

Washington, Oct. 17.—A record crop of wheat in India was reported yesterday in a despatch to the department of agriculture. British India officials estimate the 1916-17 crop at 879,282,000 bushels, compared with 728,008,000 bushels the year before.

FLOUR MILLS DESTROYED

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 17.—Fire destroyed the flour mills of the Acevans Company here last night, causing a loss estimated at \$100,000. The plant has been very busy on war orders. Large quantities of flour and wheat in the adjacent warehouse escaped the flames.

WEATHER REPORT

Synopsis—A pronounced area of high pressure now covers the Great Lakes and middle states, an important low is advancing eastward across the Missouri Valley. The weather is fine from Ontario to the maritime provinces and cold and wintry in the western provinces with snowfalls in many localities.



KILL MEN IN BOATS WHILE MAKING AWAY FROM SINKING SHIP

Further Instance of Savagery on Part of Huns in Submarine Work

London, Oct. 17.—James Tringor, of Roonick, Va., according to a despatch to the Daily Chronicle from a British port, was killed by a shrapnel shell fired by a submarine on the open boats of a torpedoed British steamer, on which the American was employed. Another American of the crew in Tringor's boat, a freeman, was wounded by a shell from the submarine and died as he was being placed aboard a rescuing ship. There were twelve Americans among the forty-nine survivors landed at a British port.

THE MALVY CASE

Paris, Oct. 17.—The Socialists have demanded an early discussion of the Malvy-Daudet affair. Premier Painlevé, who defended the government as the best possible procedure under the unprecedented circumstances, insisted upon the postponement of an interpellation in the chamber. The postponement was voted, 246 to 189, a government majority of 57.

KAISER SEEKS TO HAVE BULGARIA ATTACK SARRAIL

Saloniki Held Out as Reward—Greece Expected to Declare War on Bulgaria

FINDS NO EVIDENCE OF MURDER IN CASE OF BONNET ROUGE EDITOR

Paris, Oct. 17.—M. Drioux, the examining magistrate, announced yesterday that after a careful investigation he has found no evidence to support the charge of Mme. Almeréya, widow of the editor of the newspaper Bonnet Rouge, that her husband, who died in a Paris prison, where he was being held on a charge of sedition, was murdered.

HYDRO AIRPLANE IN A LOOP-THE-LOOP

New York, Oct. 17.—A record in aeronautics, whereby a hydro airplane looped-the-loop for the first time, was claimed today by Lawrence Sperry and Thomas Dixon, Jr., members of the naval reserve corps. The dangerous feat was performed a mile in the air above Mastie, Long Island, yesterday.

THE CORN MARKET

Chicago, Oct. 17.—Notwithstanding that stormy weather led to a little firmness in the corn market today, the effect soon disappeared. Buying was largely confined to shorts and as most of their rents had been supplied yesterday, a downward movement of prices began. Selling, however, was not aggressive, and seemed to have come mostly from pit traders. Opening quotations, which ranged from 1/2 off to 1/4 cent advance, with December 114 to 143 and May at 109 3/4 to 110, were followed by a moderate setback.

MUST RUSH WHEAT

New York, Oct. 17.—Wheat required to meet winter needs of mills in eastern and central divisions must be brought forward at once in order to take advantage of the remaining period of Great Lakes transportation. This was announced today by James Bell, chairman of the milling division of the United States food administration.

PEACE IMMINENT IS BELIEF NOW IN ATHENS

New Proposals Expected From Germany During Coming Week Is Report There

Athens, Saturday, Oct. 13.—(Montreal Gazette cable.)—In well-informed diplomatic circles here it is considered that peace is imminent. Despite the extreme secrecy observed in Germany regarding the subjects discussed at the council held in Berlin immediately before the German emperor's departure for Bulgaria, and those discussed in Sofia and Constantinople between the allied monarchs, authentic information has been received here to the effect that new and less irreconcilable peace proposals are to be expected from Germany during the coming week.

SAYS CHINESE ARE TO FIGHT

Announcement That Division of Two Will Be Sent to Europe

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 17.—Premier Tuan has announced that a division of two Chinese regiments is to be sent to Europe to fight for the Allies. His idea of Chinese participation is not only to send coolie labor but combatants. Some announcement may be expected immediately. This is a message by Edmund T. Backhouse, well-known author and authority on Chinese affairs, who has just arrived here from Peking en route to take up a position in France as director of Chinese labor in that country.

LONDON PREPARES FOR MORE RAIDS IN AIR

Bomb Proof Shelters for Millions—Expect Raiders When Moon at Full

London, Oct. 17.—London's bomb proof shelters are being card indexed in preparation for further German raids. Sufficient tunnels, arches, crypts, basements and substantial buildings have been inventoried to accommodate one million persons. The educational authorities will close all the London schools during the last week in October in anticipation of German raids when the moon is up again.

SAYS CANADIANS MUST REDUCE THEIR RATIONS

Food Consumption Must Be Cut Unless Harvest Far Exceeds Last Year

Calgary, Oct. 17.—That the people of Canada will have to be reduced to rations of twenty-five per cent. less than their present food consumption, unless the harvest of 1917 produces a great deal more than that of 1916, was one of the points made by Dr. J. W. Robertson, chairman of the food controller's central advisory council, in an address to the Calgary Advertising Club yesterday.

ANTIS IN MONTREAL

Bernier Makes Speech Which He Expects Will Get Him Prison Term

Montreal, Oct. 17.—Alphonse Bernier, one of the anti-conscriptors out on their pending trial for alleged treason, at a meeting here last night made a somewhat violent speech, for which he said he expected to be given six months in jail. He said that his anti-conscriptorist comrade, Alfred Cote, although he has only one eye, was passed by the examining board as fit for war service. Gaston Pilon, another anti-conscriptorist, referred to St. Robert Borden and Hon. Arthur Meighen as "dirty pigs."

ORDER OUT OF CHAOS

Petrograd, Oct. 17.—The freight congestion at Vladivostok already has been reduced twenty-five per cent by more efficient railway operation as a result of the work of the Stevens committee.

German Nerve Weakened By Fear Of Air Reprisals

Zurich, Oct. 17.—That Great Britain's decision to bomb German cities and towns in reprisal for air raids on London and other English cities and towns is having a disheartening effect in South Germany is indicated by the Muenchen Post, which says that air attacks on open towns have proved, quite apart from moral estimates, that this mode of warfare will be the means of stiffening, rather than breaking, the determination of the people. The newspaper says this applies to all the belligerents and that it would be a matter for rejoicing if all of them would agree "no longer to make this fearful world catastrophe still more horrible through the slaughter of defenceless persons."