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ALLIED SITUATION CONTINUES VERY SATISFACTORY. GERMAN DRIVE FOR CHANNEL PORTS PROBABLE

THE ITALIANS HOLD GROUND AGAINST A STRONG OFFENSIVE

Austrians Continue Powerful Drive, and While They Are Making Slow Progress Towards Porte Grano, They Are Not Taking Any Important Part of Defensive Lines—Heaviest Fighting in Region of Nervesa, Where Enemy Tries For Montello.

Enemy Has Sustained One of Few Very Great Initial Reverses of the War and Allies Have Reason To Be Satisfied—Germans Likely To Go To Aid of Weary Austrians and Inject More Pepper Into the Fighting.

Special Cable to New York Tribune and St. John Standard. (By Arthur S. Draper).

London, June 18—Italians report a powerful effort by the Austrians to continue their offensive, but there is no reason to change the opinion expressed in these dispatches yesterday that the enemy sustained one of the few very great initial reverses of the war. What the future may develop is another question, but certainly the Allies have exceedingly good reason to feel elated with developments to date.

The eleventh Austrian army under General Von Scheunhstel, which formed the right wing and faced the British, French and Italian fourth army, has made no move since the initial attack. The heaviest fighting has taken place between Valdobbadiene and the sea, the most progress being made by General Von Wurm's old Isongo army, which is advancing slowly through marshy country toward Porte Grano.

The heaviest fighting is in the region of Nervesa, where the sixth Austrian army, under Archduke Joseph, is struggling for possession of the hog backed Montello, of which they obtained about two-thirds. The capture of Montello would give easy access to the plains and turn all the river positions. It is reported that the Austrians threw fourteen bridges across the Piave and sent over considerable forces to the south bank, but nowhere has any real progress been made except against the Italian right wing.

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MORE EGGS IN COLD STORAGE

Ottawa, June 19—The cost of living branch reports to the Hon. T. W. Crothers, Minister of Labor as follows, concerning food in cold storage says: Reports from the cold storage companies for June 1st, indicate an increase in quantity in store of butter, eggs, pork, mutton, lamb, and fish, and a decrease in the quantity of cheese, beef and fowl, compared with May 1st of this year.

There were 2,251,673 pounds of butter and 8,422,588 dozens of eggs in cold storage. As compared with June 1st, 1917 we have more butter in store, more beef and more fish. We have less cheese, eggs, pork products and fowl than a year ago. The most striking comparison is in the case of beef, of which we have 111.72 per cent. more than on June 1st, 1917. Since the purchasing commission of the allies is fully aware of this fact, and we have the statement of these gentle-

men to the effect that a large proportion of this stock is already under contract to them, we find no grounds for any charge of hoarding.

Most Striking Feature

The most striking feature recently in the market situation of storage products has been the great rise in the price of beef. There has been a general rise in all the beef products throughout the Dominion. Naturally the consuming public has resented the rise very much.

The matter has been carefully investigated with the view to determining profiteering, and while the merchants in some localities have apparently used the general rise in prices to cover an undue increase, we have not been able to find any evidence that the general increase throughout the country was due to unlawful action on the part of the meat packers.

GRACE LUSK GIVEN 19 YEAR SENTENCE

Killed Doctor's Wife Because She Was in the Way.

Waukegan, Wis., June 19—Grace Lusk, who was found guilty of murdering Dr. David Roberts, has been found sane and was sentenced to 19 years imprisonment.

In pronouncing sentence, the court delivered a severe arraignment of Miss Lusk and Dr. Roberts, whose intimacy led to the killing. Some circumstances, the judge says, place more blame to the doctor than on Miss Lusk. Dr. Roberts was formerly state veterinarian.

OPPOSES EMPLOYMENT OF GIRLS ON CARS

New York Grand Jury Objects To Fourteen Year Old Misses Acting As Conductors.

New York, June 19—The grand jury of Kings County has strongly condemned the action of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company in employing girls as young as fourteen years of age as conductors on their trolley cars. The grand jury recommends that legislation be adopted preventing corporations employing girls of that age on street cars.

FOUR DROWNED OFF CARAQUET DURING SQUALL

Fishing Schooner on Way From Shippegan Is Captured and Four Go Down.

ALL DROWNED MEN LIVED IN ST. SIMON

Capt. Joseph F. Doiron, James Doiron, Peter Hebert and George Maillet Lost.

Special to The Standard. Caraquet, June 19—One of the most serious accidents which have occurred in the fishing industry of this vicinity since the disastrous storm of some years ago happened today off here when a schooner was caught in a heavy wind and upset, four men losing their lives.

The dead are: Capt. Joseph F. Doiron, aged 38 years. James Doiron, his brother, aged 25 years. Pierre S. Hebert, aged 30 years. George Maillet, aged 25. The bodies of Capt. Doiron and his brother were recovered. All four men belonged to the village of St. Simon, about seven miles southeast of Caraquet.

A Nasty Morning. The men were operating a fishing schooner owned by Robin, Jones and Whitman of Caraquet, and had been to the fishing grounds on the Shippegan Banks. This morning they were being for Caraquet harbor in the face of a stiff wind which kept constantly increasing. After passing Caraquet Inlet and the wind became unsteady and puffy, increasing at times to gale force. The schooner was deep in the water and suddenly a violent gust, accompanied by a nasty, high running sea, heeled the vessel over so far that the water poured in over gunwale and she filled.

The four men struggled in the boisterous waves, but could do little to save themselves and were swept down to their deaths before help could reach them.

Two Bodies Found. The bodies of Capt. Doiron and his brother were found near the scene of the distressing accident.

Capt. Joseph F. Doiron was married and leaves a wife and eight children. James Doiron leaves a wife and two children.

Peter Hebert is survived by a wife and two children. Maillet was unmarried.

The accident has cast a pall of gloom over Caraquet, St. Simon and throughout Gloucester County.

REFUSE PERMISSION TO DISINTER BODY OF A TITANIC VICTIM

Litigation Over Estate of Man Buried in Halifax Cemetery. Halifax, June 19—Interesting legal proceedings are in progress in the New York courts in connection with the estate of one of the victims of the Titanic, buried at Halifax, according to a letter received here by the civic authorities, ordering that permission be not given to certain parties to disinter the body of one Servando Oviya Rodriguez. New York lawyers have stated that the estate of the deceased is entitled to "great amounts of accruing by Cuban law if the body is not found." It is alleged that two persons interested in the death of Rodriguez came to Halifax at the time of the Titanic disaster and caused the body of the deceased to be disinterred, but it is now said that one of them refuses to identify the body, hence the reason for asking that no permit be issued allowing the body to be removed.

British Naval Forces Trap Many Destroyers And U-Boats of Enemy

London, June 19—Twenty-two German destroyers, a large number of submarines and numerous auxiliary craft are penned in the Bruges Canal docks as a result of the recent British naval operations at Zeebrugge, the German submarine base on the Belgian coast. Thomas J. MacNamara, financial secretary of the Admiralty, made announcement in the House of Commons to this effect today and said that the operations were more successful than had been at first supposed. He added that the German craft were now the subject of constant bombing.

London, June 19—Field Marshal Haig reports tonight as follows: "In a successful raid we captured a few prisoners and a machine gun Tuesday night northeast of Bethune."

"On Wednesday morning a hostile raiding party was repulsed with loss east of Hebuterne. The hostile artillery was somewhat more active Wednesday in the Albert sector, in the neighborhood of Loere and Dickbusch Lake."

Paris, June 19—The war office announcement tonight says: "There was no event of importance during the course of the day."

"On June 18 our air squadrons brought down or put out of action six German airplanes and set fire to one captive balloon. Our bombing machines dropped ten tons of projectiles last night on railway stations, cantonments and bivouacs in the region of Villers Franqueux, Favrelles and Fismes."

"Eastern theatre, June 18—West of Lake Doiran and on the right bank of the Vardar there were artillery duels. North of Monastir our troops repulsed an enemy surprise attack. Our patrols penetrated several points of the enemy's lines and brought back Bulgarian and Austrian prisoners. Allied airplanes carried out numerous bombardments. British aviators brought down three enemy machines."

Modern Civilization At Stake, Says Grey

Executives of States Must Be Firm If League of Nations Is To Be a Success, Former Foreign Secretary Declares.

London, June 19.—(British Admiralty per wireless Press)—The widest interest will be evinced in a pamphlet on "the league" written by Viscount Grey of Fallodon, who was secretary of foreign affairs in the cabinet of Herbert H. Asquith at the beginning of the European war.

"There is more at stake in the war than the existence of individual states or empires, or the fate of a continent," says Viscount Grey. The whole of modern civilization is at stake, and whether it will perish and be submerged as has happened to previous civilizations of older types, or whether it will live and progress depends upon whether the nations engaged in this war, and even those that are onlookers, learn the lessons that the experience of the war may teach them.

Cannot Stand Still. "It must be with nations as with individuals in the great trials of life, they must become better or worse—they cannot stand still. They must learn and profit by experience and rise to greater heights, or else sink lower and drop eventually into the abyss. And this war is the greatest trial of which there is any record in history. If the war does not teach mankind new lessons that will so dominate the thoughts and feelings of those who survive it and those who succeed the survivors as to make new things possible, then the war will be the greatest catastrophe, as well as the most grievous trial and suffering of which the world has any record."

Viscount Grey lays down conditions, which he says must be fulfilled if the league of nations is to be effective. One is: "The ideas must be adopted with earnestness and conviction by the executive heads of states. It must become an essential part of their practical policy, one of their chief reasons for being, or continuing to be responsible for the policy of their states. They must not adopt it only to render such success to the persons whom it is convenient to please or ungracious to displease. They must lead and not follow; they must compel, if necessary, and not be compelled."

A CANADIAN GIRL SUICIDE IN SALEM

Miss Mary Quinlan, a Nurse, Despondent and in Ill Health.

Salem, Mass., June 19—The body of Miss Mary Quinlan, member of a prominent family of Toronto, was found in Salem Harbor. Miss Quinlan had been active in Red Cross work during the war, and for some time was stationed in London. While there she went through several air raids and on her return to this country had a trying ordeal coming through the submarine zone. As a result of these experiences she suffered a nervous strain and police officials believe that during a temporary mental aberration she committed suicide.

RUPPRECHT MAY LAUNCH ATTACK ON THE BRITISH

French Writers Assert That Ludendorff Has Given Up Further Attempts on Paris. At This Time—Teutonic Allies Losing Much of Their Fighting Spirit in France, Flanders and Italy.

Austrians Fail To Walk Through Italian Lines or Swarm Over Venetian Plains and German Attack in Rheims Sector Fails With Loss of Many Teuton Soldiers—Opening of Gateway To Paris Not Accomplished.

Special Cable to New York Tribune and St. John Standard. (By Arthur S. Draper).

London, June 18—French writers assert that Prince Rupprecht is about to launch an attack against the British and that instead of continuing the drive for Paris, Ludendorff will move against the channel ports.

There is a good argument in favor of such a policy because Ludendorff's chief objective is the crushing of the allied forces, and he must engage both the British and French which he was unable to do at the Marne. However it is a mistaken belief that territory does not count and that Foch willingly concedes ground. These tactics would be perfectly justified on the Russian plains or in the wilds of Mesopotamia or even on the battle-scarred fields of the Somme, but it must be remembered that every foot of the advance the Germans have made in France now adds to the allied burden, and more especially to that of the French.

Territory is a secondary consideration, but it bulks large. It is as much of a mistake to underestimate the effect of the loss in territory as it is to exaggerate the importance of the capture of any area. This is a war of peoples, not of professional armies, and the civilian morale is as important a factor as the morale of the armies engaged.

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GREAT REVOLT HAS BEGUN AT KIEV

Forty Thousand Armed Peasants Participate in Revolt.

London, June 19—A great revolt has begun at Kiev, according to an intercepted wireless message transmitted from Moscow to the Exchange Telegraph Company. Artillery stores have been exploded and there is continuous street fighting. The revolt is spreading to the Poltava and Tchernigov districts. Forty thousand peasants armed and organized are participating in the revolt.

Moscow, Monday, June 10. (By The Associated Press)—The Ukrainian delegates at the Russo-Ukrainian peace conference in Kiev demanded that the Russian Black Sea fleet participate with Germany against the Allies. This demand was supported by M. Maximiloff, the Ukrainian Minister of War. The Soviet government delegates rejected the demand.

Teutons Gain. Orsha, Mohileva, Russia, June 9. (By The Associated Press)—The exchange of invalid prisoners between Russia and the Central powers which has been going on for several weeks, is proving advantageous to Germany and Austria-Hungary, as under that guise they have been sending home able-bodied men.

AGAINST ALCOHOL IN PATENT MEDICINES

W. C. T. U. Delegate Wants Amount Cut Down To Two Per Cent.

Ottawa, June 19.—At today's session of the Dominion W. C. T. U. convention, a report on medical temperance was submitted by Mrs. John Scott, of Montreal. The report asserted that certain patent medicines contained alcoholic contents ranging as high as forty per cent.

Mrs. Scott urged the enactment in every province of the Dominion of the law now in force in Alberta forbidding the manufacture or sale of any extract patent medicine with more than two per cent. of alcohol.

HALIFAX SPORT WRITER INJURED

"Gee" Ahern, Reporter, Injured in Automobile Accident Yesterday—Car Collided With Military Ambulance.

Halifax, June 19—"Gee" Ahern, reporter and sports writer on one of the Halifax papers, is in the hospital tonight seriously injured. This afternoon he was sent to the North End of the city for a story. He was picked up by a young friend driving a private automobile. The car collided with a military ambulance and was completely overturned, the driver having his collar bone and three ribs broken and Ahern receiving face and scalp injuries. The ambulance took both young men to the hospital. Ahern has not yet regained consciousness.

BLUE DEVILS ARE FETED IN QUEBEC

French Heroes Given Warm Reception and Banquetted.

Quebec, Que., June 19—Scenes of wildest enthusiasm greeted the arrival of the detachment of French Alpine Chasseurs, "Blue Devils" here. The people turned out en-masse to welcome and cheer the little band of gallant heroes of France's army, all of whom have been wounded at least once.

Sir Lomer Gouin, Premier of the province, and His Worship Mayor Lavigne and members of the City Council were present.

The "Blue Devils" marched to the City Hall to a reception. A banquet followed.

HALIFAX BOY HERO. Halifax, June 19.—Temple Lane, a fourteen-year-old boy scout, was today recommended for the silver cross of the organization for having saved the life of a nine-year-old lad, Gerald Lewis, who was bathing.