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BRITISH ROUT GERMAN DESTROYERS FRENCH GAIN AGAIN AT VERDUN AND TAKE PRISONERS RUMANIAN SUCCESS IN MOLDAVIA--RETREAT IN DOBRUDJA

FRENCH ON TWO SIDES HEMMING IN FORT VAUX; MORE GAINS AT VERDUN

French Advance on West and Southwest of German-Held Fortifications, Taking One Hundred Prisoners—Enemy Ammunition Depot Destroyed.

(Canadian Press.)

Paris, Oct. 27.—French troops made further progress last night in the Verdun region, advancing west and south of the fortress of Vaux, according to the official announcement issued this afternoon by the French war department. One hundred Germans were made prisoner.

German artillery, the statement adds, is violently bombarding Chenois Wood and Fort Douaumont, which were captured by the French in their surprise attack on Tuesday night.

In the region of the Somme last night French artillery destroyed a German munition depot near Abaincourt.

GERMAN STATEMENT.

[Canadian Press.]
Berlin, Oct. 27, via Sayville.—On the south bank of the River Somme last night German artillery fired against the French trenches in the sector of

GERMANS START RUSH ON SLAVS IN RIGA AREA

Russians Obligated to Retreat to Eastern Bank of Shara River.

A REPULSE FOR TURKS
Foiled When Attempting to Advance on Caucasian Front.

[Canadian Press.]
Petrograd, Oct. 27.—Via London, 1:34 p.m.—German forces yesterday launched an attack against the Russian positions on the western bank of the River Shara, in the region of Goldovitch, and forced the retreat of the Russians to the eastern bank of the river, says today's Russian official statement.

The text of the announcement says: "Western (Russian) front: Small German forces attacked our positions south of Riga, but were repelled. Under the cover of a violent artillery fire, the enemy, about a battalion strong, launched an attack on our advanced posts, occupying the western bank of the River Shara in the region of Goldovitch. Our troops were compelled to retire to the eastern bank."

In the wooded Carpathians south of Rafailov and to the west of Vorokhta, enemy attempts to assume the offensive were arrested by our fire."

TURK FORCE REPULSED.
[Canadian Press.]
Petrograd, Oct. 27.—Via London, 1:35 p.m.—Small Turkish forces yesterday attempted to advance toward Charafkhan, six miles south of Zlatar, on the Caucasian front, but they were repelled, says the official statement issued today by the Russian war department.

In the Sakik region (Persia) our troops captured a portion of the Turkish transport.

A MIDNIGHT ATTACK.
[Canadian Press.]
Berlin, Oct. 27.—Via Sayville.—Russian troops in the district west of Lutsk, in Volhynia, made a heavy attack at midnight on the Austro-German lines in the Kiselin sector, after prolonged artillery preparation. The attack, the war office announces, broke down before the defensive entanglements. The Russians have repeated their attacks along the Shara River, but failed to gain any advantage.

CAR PLUNGES DOWN 100-FOOT EMBANKMENT

[Canadian Press.]
Edwardsville, Ill., Oct. 27.—E. A. Kantor, representative of a New York cloak and suit firm, was killed and sixteen other persons were burned or injured seriously when a coach of the Illinois Traction System caught fire after plunging 100 feet down an embankment near a trestle five miles north of here last night. The coach was bound from Springfield to St. Louis.

MOTHER SENDS WORD OF DEATH IN ACTION



"REG." TOWNSEND.

PACT WITH GREECE DUE TO CONFERENCE OF ENTENTE CHIEFS

Boulogne Meeting Cleared the Atmosphere at Athens.

GIVES ALLIES FREE HAND
Order Will Be Maintained and No Interference With Venizelists.

[Canadian Press.]
Athens, Wednesday, Oct. 26, via London, Oct. 27.—Delayed.—The understanding reached yesterday by King Constantine and representatives of the Entente powers generally, is believed to be the immediate result of the conference of the military and political leaders of France and Great Britain at Boulogne on Friday last. The terms of the understanding include on the part of Greece:

First—Sincere compliance with the demands of Admiral Fournier.
Second—Effective maintenance of order in Athens and Piraeus.
Third—Guarantee of constitutional liberties to Greeks through the operation of the legal functions of their Government.
Fourth—No opposition to recruiting for the Venizelist movement, which now is characterized as "anti-Bulgarian" instead of "national defence."

The Air Cleared.
The Foreword, the royalist organ, today strikes the keynote of the situation. "The Boulogne conference has opened the way to a larger understanding between the powers and Greece." "One of the leaders of the Greek pro-war party declared to the Associated Press correspondent: "Now that the irritations due to mutual distrust of one another by King Constantine and the Entente ministers is out of the way, we can go to work negotiating for Greece to join the Allies, as a nation and a people, not as individuals."

Portuguese Whip German Forces in East Africa

[Canadian Press.]
Lisbon, via Paris, Oct. 27.—Gen. Gill, commanding the Portuguese troops in East Africa, reports that his column encountered the opposing troops at Nakata on October 21, and that after a prolonged combat they retreated precipitately, abandoning a quantity of arms and ammunition which fell into the hands of the Portuguese. Gen. Gill reports that his command was within a mile of Newala on Sunday, October 22.

H. J. HALL DEAD.
[Canadian Press.]
Victoria, B. C., Oct. 27.—H. J. Hall, a resident of British Columbia since the '70s, a lawyer, and many years police magistrate of Victoria, is dead. He was born at Hall's Corners, near Hamilton.

ARMY TO POP THE POPPIES

[Canadian Press.]
Amoy, China, Oct. 27.—Troops which had been guarding the Kwangtung-Pukien border have been recalled to assist in the destruction of poppies which have been planted extensively for the making of opium, in the Tungshan district during the unsettled period resulting from the recent revolts in the vicinity of Canton. Resistance by the opium planters is considered probable.

RUMANIANS TAKE TOWN IN TRANSYLVANIA; FALL BACK ON THE DOBRUDJA FRONT

Rumanians and Russians Pressing Back Enemy on Moldavian Frontier, But Are Yielding to Great Pressure of Mackensen's Forces in Dobrudja.

[Canadian Press.]
Bucharest, Oct. 27.—Via London, 4:30 p.m.—Russo-Rumanian troops are engaged in successful fighting along the Rumanian-Transylvanian frontier, according to today's war announcement. Austro-German attacks in the Tighes and Eliaz passes have been repulsed.

(Canadian Press.)

Petrograd, Oct. 27, 1:31 p.m.—Rumanian troops operating on the western frontier of Moldavia have captured the Transylvanian village of Balan and the Piatrotkul Heights, according to the official statement issued today by the Russian war department. Fierce fighting, the statement adds, is continuing on the two banks of the Osik River.

RETREATING IN DOBRUDJA.

[Canadian Press.]
Petrograd, via London, Oct. 27.—Although offering stubborn resistance to the German-Bulgarian forces attacking in Dobrudja, the Russians and Rumanians, according to today's official Russian statement, are retreating to the north of a line between Hirsova and Casapkeul. This line is approximately 40 and 50 miles north of the Tchernavoda-Constanza railroad line. The statement adds that the forces of the Central Powers and their allies are continuing their attack along the entire front in Dobrudja.

MACKENSEN MOVING EAST.

[Canadian Press.]
Berlin, Oct. 27.—Via Sayville.—Field Marshal von Mackensen's forces pursuing the retreating Russo-Rumanian armies in Dobrudja, have reached the district of Hirsova, approximately forty miles north of Tchernavoda, the war office announced today.

FRENCH LINER AFIRE WITH 300 ABOARD

(Canadian Press.)
New York, Oct. 27.—Reports were current in shipping circles today that the French liner Chicago, with 300 passengers aboard, is on fire at sea and making for the Azores.

WORLD'S PEACE MOVE STRONGLY INDORSED BY VISCOUNT BRYCE

Approves View Taken by Sir Edward Grey.

WANTS THE U. S. TO LEAD
Points Out That Both Hughes and Wilson Favor the Plan.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 27.—Viscount Bryce indorses the recent speech of Viscount Grey before the Foreign Press Association, in approval of the League of Peace idea, in the following letter to the Times:

"A point upon which I desire to say a word is the question mentioned by Viscount Grey: Are the neutral nations prepared to undertake and fulfill the responsibilities which the formation of a permanent league of peace after the war would impose upon each of those who joined it?"

What Will U. S. Do?
"This question is, of course, especially important to the greatest of the neutral nations, the nation from whose statesmen comes the suggestion of such a league, agreeing in principle with what Premier Asquith said two years ago. No one can venture at this moment to predict what the opinion and action of the people of the United States will be after the war is ended, for only then can that question arise in practical form."

"I wish to point out the immense importance of the declaration of President Wilson."

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CHILDREN FROM QUEBEC MUST HAVE CERTIFICATE

[Canadian Press.]
Toronto, Oct. 27.—Until further notice all children under 16 years of age coming from the province of Quebec to any point in Ontario must have a medical certificate signed within 24 hours of their departure, to prove that they are in good health and have not been exposed to infantile paralysis. The order was issued at the Parliament Buildings this morning, and is signed by Dr. McCullough, secretary of the provincial board of health. The railway companies are being notified, and a medical officer is being sent from Cornwall to Montreal to make the necessary arrangements to put the order into immediate effect.

FOE'S GREAT DESTROYER RAID ON CHANNEL TRANSPORTS FAILS, ENEMY LOSING TWO WARSHIPS

A SPLENDID GLORY FOR VERDUN TROOPS

[Canadian Press.]
Paris, Oct. 27.—General Nivelle, the French commander at Verdun, has addressed the following proclamation to General Mangin and the officers and men of his command who participated in the recent French advance north of that city:

"Officers and men of General Mangin's group: In four hours, by a magnificent assault you wrested at one blow, from a powerful enemy, ground northeast of Verdun with obstacles and fortifications which he took eight months to tear from us, bit by bit, at the cost of desperate efforts and considerable sacrifices. You have added fresh and splendid glory to the flag of the army of Verdun. In the name of that army I thank you. You have deserved well of your country."

GRAVE CRISIS ON MEX. BORDER, SAYS LANSING

U. S. Government Has Certain Evidence of Plot to Attack.

COWBOYS WHIP BANDITS

Americans Defeat Villa Detachment and Take Several Prisoners.

[Canadian Press.]
Washington, Oct. 27.—War and state department officials refused today to disclose the source of specific nature of the information on which Secretary of War Baker last night issued a statement charging that a bandit attack on American troops in Mexico or on American border towns has been planned to discredit the Government's Mexican policy. They said the channel of information through which the report came was so valuable that nothing would be given out that might injure its usefulness.

Both the secretary of state and the war secretary today laid stress upon the statement that no consideration of domestic politics led to the issue of the announcement that such a plot had been discovered.

Secretary of State Lansing views the situation as showing a dangerous situation along the border.

Publication of the fact that the Government has taken steps to checkmate such a movement, he believes, goes far toward preventing an attack either upon a town or upon Gen. Pershing's forces.

COWBOYS ROUT BANDITS.
Field headquarters, American Punitive Expedition, Mexico, Oct. 27.—(By Radio to Columbus, N. M.)—A party of 35 cowboys from the Santa Ana ranch, one of the Hearst properties, near Babilonia, attacked and defeated a detachment of Villa's followers about three miles from San Germanito, according to a report today at field headquarters. The number of casualties is not given, but it is stated that two of the bandit officers and two privates were captured.

3 DIAMOND RINGS VALUED AT \$1,200 STOLEN ON TRAIN

Nanasee Woman Left Them on Washstand, and They Disappeared.

A young woman giving her address as Nanasee, a passenger on G. T. R. train No. 1, on route to Chicago, reported the loss of three diamond rings valued at \$1,200, while the train was between Brantford and London last evening. The loss was reported to Grand Trunk officials on the train's arrival here, and they have ordered an investigation.

The rings were missed from the ladies' toilet, the young woman having removed them from her fingers and laid them on the washstand. On leaving the room she forgot the rings. Going into the diner, she discovered her loss and returned at once to the toilet, but was unable to find any trace of the jewelry.

REPLACES ARUNDEL.
[Canadian Press.]
Montreal, Oct. 27.—Alan Purvis has been appointed general superintendent of the Ontario division of the Canadian Pacific Railway, with headquarters at Toronto, to replace J. P. Arundel during his absence on account of illness.

Bodies at Toledo Not Identified as Goderich Victims

Only One, William Bogie, Is Brought Home by His Friends.

[Canadian Press.]
Toledo, Oct. 27.—The bodies of the other Goderich victims of the storm on Lake Erie last Friday have been recovered. Bogie, was second engineer of the steamer Merida, which foundered, carrying down all the crew, several of whom were residents of Goderich.

The fathers of four of the victims left for Toledo and Windsor on Monday last to identify the bodies of their sons who had been reported as recovered.

After carefully examining the bodies, none could be identified as Goderich sailors, and the fathers who left here on Monday last returned to Goderich today.

MANY DIFFERENCES OF THE RAILWAYMEN UNDER ADJUSTMENT

Wage Advances Asked From Several Companies.

A GRAND TRUNK DISPUTE

Majority and Minority Report of Maintenance Men Received.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Oct. 27.—The Canadian Pacific trainmen's strike having been averted, other differences over wages between the Canadian railwaymen and the management are in process of adjustment.

The maintenance-of-way men of the Canadian Pacific, the Canadian Northern, the Grand Trunk and the Eastern lines of the Canadian Northern, have asked for wage advances. There have been considerable arbitrations in the application of the Grand Trunk and the Eastern lines of the Canadian Northern. A majority and a minority report have been received on the Grand Trunk dispute. The majority report is signed by the chairman, Judge Gunn, and G. O. Robertson named by the men, and a minority report signed by P. H. McGuigan for the company. The men have announced that they will accept the majority report and the department of labor is now awaiting to hear from the company.

There is also a majority report just in from Judge Gunn and G. O. Robertson on the G. T. R. eastern lines dispute. As P. H. Richardson, the representative of the men, has not been heard from, it is presumed that the maintenance-of-way men of the company will submit a minority report. Action upon this dispute, therefore, will not finally take place for a few days. Maintenance-of-way men on Western Canadian lines have asked for arbitration, and have been granted a board. The company has named William Cross to represent them and the men have named O. Campbell. This board will complete organization and hear the evidence in a few days.

In the case of the Canadian Pacific there has been no action taken toward the appointment or the creation of a board. It is understood that the maintenance-of-way men of the company are waiting the result of these other arbitrations and that they will likely accept the terms of other settlements.

SEALS ON INCREASE.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 27.—The seal herds on the Pribilof Islands in Bering Sea have increased so rapidly since killing of the fur-bearing animals was prohibited, that the Government will begin to kill them regularly next year, according to a statement made today by H. J. Christopher, assistant agent for the United States Bureau of Fisheries, who has returned from an inspection trip to the islands. Mr. Christopher made the trip on the steamer Ellhu Thomson, which left here September 5 with winter supplies for the islands. The Thomson brought back 7,000 skins which were taken from seals killed to supply food for the natives on the islands. The skins will be shipped to St. Louis, where the Government will sell them as auctioning to report.

British Admiralty Announces Complete Rout of Ten German Destroyers in Raid on Transport Service of English Channel, Two of Enemy's Ships Being Sunk and Rest Driven Off—One Empty Transport Sent Down, and H.M.S. Flirt Missing.

(Canadian Press.)

London, Oct. 27.—4:14 p.m.—Ten German torpedo-boat destroyers attempted to raid the British cross-channel transport service last night, but the attempt failed, says an official statement issued by the British admiralty today. Two of the German destroyers were sunk and the others were driven off. The German destroyers succeeded in sinking one empty transport, the Queen. All the members of her crew were saved.

The text of the British admiralty announcement follows:

"During last night the enemy attempted a raid with ten destroyers on our cross-channel transport service. The attempt failed."

"One empty transport, the Queen, was sunk. The whole of her crew was saved."

"Two of the enemy destroyers were sunk, and the rest were driven off."

THE FLIRT MISSING
"H.M. torpedo-boat destroyer Flirt, Lieut. Richard P. Kellett, R.N., is missing, and it is feared she may be lost, but nine of the crew have been saved."

"H.M. torpedo-boat destroyer Nubian, commander Montague Bernard, R.N., was disabled by a torpedo and taken in tow, but owing to the bad weather the tow parted and she has grounded."

TRENCHES RAIDED IN ANCRE SECTOR BY HAIG'S TROOPS

Heavy Rains Retard Operations on the British Front.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 31—1:45 p.m.—British troops last night raided the German trenches in the sector south of the River Ancre, in Northern France, says the official statement issued by the British war department today. On this front a heavy rain fell during the night. The text of the statement follows:

"Rain fell heavily during the night. Hostile artillery was active against our front south of the Ancre. At one point in that area we successfully raided enemy trenches. Otherwise there is nothing to report."