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Attack Resumed Along The British Front This Morning

Haig's Men Cross the Ecaillon and Capture More Villages—Raisnes Forest Occupied—French Keep up Advance

London, Oct. 24.—Sharp fighting continued up to a late hour last evening on the battlefield south of Valenciennes, where the British attacked yesterday morning, says today's official announcement.

MORE THAN 6,000 PRISONERS.

With the Allied Armies in France and Belgium, Oct. 24.—(By the Associated Press, 4.30 a.m.)—The British have taken more than 6,000 prisoners and many guns in their new attack begun yesterday morning on the front below Valenciennes.

FRENCH INCREASE GAINS.

Paris, Oct. 24.—Southeast of Leuzeux French troops have crossed the Sambre canal east of Grand Pré, says the war office statement today. The French maintained their gains east of the canal in spite of strong German counter-attacks.

GIVEN BEATING BY AMERICANS.

With the American Army Northwest of Verdun, Oct. 23.—(By the Associated Press)—The American troops captured the Belle Joyeuse and Talmes Farms and the ridge between them after an all day fight today. These positions are northeast of Grand Pré.

Early on Wednesday the Americans launched an attack with the determination of clearing up Grand Pré and that region. This was accomplished but the Germans, counter-attacking, drove back the Americans at places. The Americans, later, regained their ground and advanced despite desperate machine gun defense. The German losses in dead and wounded were heavy.

THE CANADIANS IN VALENCIENNES.

With the Allied Armies in France and Belgium, Oct. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—British troops captured Valenciennes, the whole canal bank northeast of Valenciennes. The Germans have broken down the banks and opened the sluice gates northeast and southwest of the city and have flooded vast stretches of the country, in an effort to delay the British advance. The marshy lowlands on the east side of the canal opposite the Raisnes Forest resemble a great lake. It is not probable that the city can be approached from the southwest because of similar flooded conditions.

The British, however, have fought their way into the city from the west and there have been sharp encounters in the streets between patrols. Fire from the German artillery has been generally weak, it being strong only on villages and towns in this vicinity. Many civilians are still in these places. Heavy shells dropped with regularity for several hours today into the town, which is full of civilians. Without doubt, many were killed and wounded, and the same condition is probably true in other towns.

Valenciennes still contains many civilians. An officer of the Canadian detachment fighting in the city, said today: "I entered the town with a platoon and saw an old woman sauntering down a street carrying a bucket. At about the same time a machine gun opened on us from a second story window. I was wounded in several places and my men also were hit. We retired for a moment, but the last we saw of the old French woman she was going right along as if nothing was happening."

UKRAINE GOVERNMENT HAS GONE TO THE WALL

Anti-Mortem Demands to Chairman—Roumania Closes Black Sea and Danube Ports

London, Oct. 23.—The British wireless press says the entire Ukrainian ministry has resigned.

Before it resigned, the ministry presented to its chairman demands that the republic co-operate in future with the parts of Russia striving toward the resurrection of the country and assist in every way toward bringing about the fall of Bolshevism, as well as strengthening those sections of Russia which have been oppressed by the Bolsheviki.

The ministry also demanded that the Ukraine utilize the time between now and the expected general peace conference in establishing friendly relations with western European states and countries outside of Europe.

London, Oct. 23.—The British administration reports that German wireless messages picked up at Moscow are to the effect that the Roumanian government has declared all Roumanian ports on the Black Sea and on the Danube closed.

POPE HOPES FOR POLISH INDEPENDENCE

Rome, Oct. 23.—In an apostolic letter to Dr. Alexander Kakowski, Archbishop of Warsaw, the Pope expresses hope that the people of Poland may enjoy the privilege of choosing their own form of government. The communication ends by saying that the pontiff desires to show his good will towards Poland, proposes to make Dr. Kakowski a cardinal at the next consistory.

AT MOUNT ALLISON.

Owing to the recent outbreak of Spanish influenza in Mount Allison College, the girls' college and the academy were closed yesterday. It is reported that a total of fifty cases broke out in the institution during the week.

M. P.'S WOULD OPEN COMMONS DOOR TO WOMEN

House Adopts Resolution in Favor of Giving Them Place in Parliament

London, Oct. 24.—The House of Commons yesterday adopted a resolution in favor of women sitting in parliament. The resolution was passed by a majority of 240.

Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, announced on August 8, under unanimous decision by the law officers of England and Northern Ireland, that women were not eligible to become candidates for the British parliament.

The women's conference last extension of the franchise to them carried with it the right to sit in parliament, and some had announced their intention to seek government seats.

FRANCE DETERMINED THAT HUN MUST PAY FOR HIS RUTHLESSNESS

Senate Discusses Question of Devastation Wrought in Occupied Territory

Paris, Oct. 23.—(Hayas Agency)—The question of the devastation wrought by the Germans in Northern France was the topic of a discussion in parliament today.

The senate, Antoine Dubost, president, asked that victory should give all its might to chastisement of the offender and reparation for the crimes.

"The enemy will be condemned to reparation for which we will take guarantees, not being able to rely upon his word," said Stephen Pichon, foreign minister. "We are near the end of scribbles imposed by the law officers of England and Northern Ireland, that women were not eligible to become candidates for the British parliament."

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In the chamber of deputies a cordial reception was given to Deputies M. G. Delory and Ragueboom, who stayed in Lille during the German occupation. Paul Deschamps, president of the chamber, praised their courage and rendered homage to Deputy Chequerier, Lille, who died a victim of German barbarity for having defended his townpeople.

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BUSINESS HOUSES WILL DRESS UP

It is understood the idea of converting King Street and Charlotte street into a bower of bunting and patriotic window displays on Sunday to give zest to the launching of the Victory Loan on Monday, has taken hold like wild-fire and St. John will see on Sunday the display to find these thoroughfares in gala attire. It is understood that the stores will all be lighted on Sunday evening.

BIG GAME ARRIVING

Carcasses of deer, moose and bear adorned the express train which arrived at noon today, the trophies of American hunters in our New Brunswick woods. Some were packed on Sunday in the United States, others to cold storage for local taxidermists to operate upon.

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—A shallow low area covers the Mississippi Valley and showery weather is indicated for Ontario. It is in Quebec and the maritime provinces and cool with local snow and rain in Manitoba.

Forecasts—Lakes and Georgian Bay—Fresh to strong easterly to southerly winds, reaching gale force on Lake Erie, occasional rain today and on Friday.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence Valleys—Fresh easterly winds, fair today, rain by Friday.

Gulf and North Shore—General north and northeast winds, fair and cool today and Friday.

Fair—Maritime—Moderate northerly winds, mostly easterly, occasional rain; Friday, strong winds or gales, shifting to northward and still unsettled with local falls of rain or snow.

Manitoba—Cool with local snow or rain today, fair and cooler on Friday.

Saskatchewan and Alberta—Fair with stationary or higher temperature.

New England—Probably rain late tonight and on Friday; warmer, moderate south winds.

Hungary, Ready To Give Up, To Apply Direct To The Allies

Paris, Oct. 24.—Hungary intends to apply direct to the Entente governments to ascertain on what terms they will grant an armistice and peace to Hungary, so it is reported in political circles in Budapest, according to a Zurich despatch to the Journal.

Austria-Hungary already reconciled to the idea of unconditional capitulation, says a Vienna despatch to the Frankfort Zeitung, because Vienna is threatened with famine, the authorities are powerless and laws are no longer enforced.

FINANCIAL PANIC IN VIENNA

Basel, Oct. 24.—President Wilson's reply to Austria's note has had an overwhelming effect in Vienna, according to a despatch received from the Austrian capital. Not only was there a violent panic in financial circles, but the note was considered in political quarters as being extremely humiliating for the Dual Monarchy.

PUTTING THE BOY BADLY HURT ON THE HARBOR

A rough estimate of the value of the city's harbor properties was prepared at a meeting of the common council this morning. This was in accordance with the wish of the Dominion government which had put forward proposals for buying over the harbor and putting it in the hands of the city.

The values arrived at showed a total of \$2,000,000 for the city's harbor and other properties, against which there still are outstanding debentures to the value of \$1,810,000.

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The mayor reported that the government engineers had expressed their opinion that the harbor should be improved, such as breakwaters was suggested that it should be urged upon the government that it should not be made a burden on the harbor commission, as this might have a tendency to add to the harbor charges. Commissioner Bullock quoted the minister of marine as saying that the breakwaters would be cared for by the federal department of public works.

A communication from George Dick, requesting the city to repair Quinn's wharf, which is under lease to him, or to permit him to purchase it, was taken up. Commissioner Bullock said that some \$20,000 had been practically agreed upon in previous negotiations. The council decided that a sale would be in accordance with their policy, before taking any action.

Meeting of this wharf led to a discussion of the use of that slip and the railway trestle crossing it. Commissioner McLellan said that it was known that the government would not continue to either a more permanent structure would be erected or the railway brought around the shore. He recalled the elaborate plans which had been submitted to the council by the government engineers about three years ago, when the government proposed to take over that entire section of the harbor front in the south and construct several new piers to the north-west of the sugar refinery.

There was some discussion regarding arrangements for locating one of the city hall stenographers in the ante-room of the mayor's office and also regarding the installation of an intercommunicating telephone system in city hall. Reports will be submitted on both matters.

Commissioner McLellan reported that the La France Company had notified him that after January 1, the government would not permit them to supply other than standard tires for motor fire apparatus.

Mayor Hughes inquired about the release of boys brought before the magistrate and asked whether these were the boys arrested in connection with recent disturbances. The commissioner of safety will make inquiries.

LETTER FROM POPE ON BI-LINGUAL QUESTION

Ottawa, Oct. 24.—A pastoral letter from Pope Benedict XV., dealing with the bilingual question in the province of Ontario has been addressed to Cardinal Bégin at Quebec and made public through His Eminence, Pierre Du Maris, the apostolic delegate in Ottawa. Pope Benedict states that an appeal from the separate schools be Roman Catholics is just, and that during the first years of their tuition French-Canadian pupils should be granted the use of their own language for certain subjects, chiefly and above all the teaching of Christian doctrine. The Pope, however, deplores the dissension which has arisen and counsels prudence, that concord may exist among Roman Catholics.

LOTS OF IT THERE FOR THE VICTORY LOAN

Ottawa, Oct. 24.—Savings deposits in Canadian banks have increased by another twenty-two million dollars. During September they reached a new high level with a total of \$1,077,498,920. The increase during August was also approximately twenty-two million dollars. The September returns also show an increase in bank circulation and an increase in demand deposits. Current funds both in and outside Canada are higher as compared with the previous month.

GERMANS IN DREAD OF WINTER AND AIR RAIDS

London, Oct. 24.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from The Hague says: "From all information available here, in Germany there is a widespread dread of winter and of daily and nightly air raids from German aeroplanes in the hands of the Allies. It is indicated that such raids would produce intense results in Germany quite different from the present symptoms of unrest."

Berlin Likely Has It Now

Wilson Reply Sent Broadcast by Wireless Comment of the Newspapers: Allies Agreed on Armistice Requirements

Washington, Oct. 24.—President Wilson's reply to Germany was sent broadcast to the world from the Arlington naval radio towers last night after the official text had been put on the cables. If not picked up directly by the great German station at Nauen, it undoubtedly was relayed from other points in Europe in time to reach Berlin this morning.

London, Oct. 24.—The British cabinet met this morning presumably to discuss President Wilson's reply to Germany. It was received by the foreign office from the British embassy at Washington.

Austria Quibbles.—Zurich, Oct. 24.—Austria's reply to President Wilson's reply to the last German offer, which will soon be sent, will declare that Austria is not disposed to enter into negotiations with the Czech-Slovakia in Paris, but only with those in Austria, according to the Vienna correspondent of the Frankfort Gazette, who is usually well-informed.

The note will say further that the reconstruction of the Austrian state cannot be effected so rapidly that an armistice must be dependent upon it, and now that Emperor Charles' manifesto has opened the way to reforms, the government sees no obstacle to an armistice.

LODGE AGAINST ANY DISCUSSION.

Washington, Oct. 23.—Approval of President Wilson's reply to the last German note was voiced everywhere among officials, who declared that the note demanded the surrender upon which America and the Allies insist, and at the same time held up to the German people a picture of their situation in a way likely to hasten their rise to throw out the Kaiser and his war lords completely.

In congress, the expressions of leaders indicated a divided opinion. Senator Hillocks, Republican leader and chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, approved the note in unqualified terms, declaring it called for surrender and would create a political crisis in Germany.

On the other hand, Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, Republican leader and ranking minority member of the foreign relations committee, expressed regret at the method of the note, and declared any negotiations should be conducted on a basis of equality.

The German army had surrendered. (Continued on page 2, seventh column)

FRENCH ENGINEERS SECURE EVIDENCE OF WILFUL DESTRUCTION

Destruction in Regions Never Within the Range of Artillery Fire

With the French Army in Champagne, Oct. 23.—(By the Associated Press)—Detachments of engineers from General Gouraud's army, in exploring the region from which the Germans have been driven in this sector, have discovered in many villages evidence of wilful destruction, while the purely military installations such as barracks built by the Germans for their own troops were left intact.

The region along the Retourne abounds with indications of wilful devastation of villages that were never within the range of artillery fire, but were found razed to the ground. In others, where houses were still erect, they were mined and destroyed, while the purely military installations such as barracks built by the Germans for their own troops were left intact.

Preparations for the destruction of these villages went on in the presence of the people and in spite of their sup- pliances. At Neuville, where a village, Charles George, all of this city. The funeral took place this afternoon.

Mr. George was one of the most prominent members of his race in this section of Canada. He was a keen and upright business man and of genial character and won many friends who will deeply regret his death.

H. P. ROBINSON HOME FROM WEST

Howard P. Robinson, general manager of the N. B. Telephone Company, and director of the N. B. Power Company, arrived home at noon after a several weeks business and pleasure tour of western Canadian cities. Mr. Robinson says the farther east he traveled the more severe was the prevalence of influenza. Some Ontario towns were absolutely prostrated.

In western Canada he found all the cities coming back with wonderful strides and solidity. The boom idea as evidenced in past experiences with real estate, was conspicuously absent everywhere being willing and anxious to talk business on sound, sensible lines. One evidence of returning prosperity was the scarcity of rentals and the plenty of cash. Mr. Robinson traveled as far as Victoria and met hundreds of old St. John friends. At one time in the Vancouver Hotel no fewer than thirty-five ex-St. John citizens met by chance and held a regular eastern pow-wow.

CARLETON SOLDIER WOUNDED

West St. John, received word this morning from Ottawa that her son, Private Arthur Hughes, infantry, had been wounded with gunshot in the arm and admitted to a hospital in France. He is twenty-one years old and prior to enlisting was employed in the C. P. R.

HINDENBURG WOULD LIKE TO SEE PEACE

A New York despatch to J. M. Robinson & Sons says that Von Hindenburg approves the peace moves of the German government, according to orders issued by him to officers of his army.

TACTICS OF THE BRITISH HAVE THE GERMANS BEWILDERED

A Blow Here, Another There, No Knowing Where Next

NIGHT OF STEADY GAIN

Torrents of Shell and Shrapnel With Gas Inundate the Enemy—Fearful Havoc at Point of Hun Concentration

With the Allied Armies in France and Belgium, Oct. 24.—(By the Associated Press, 4.30 p.m.)—In brilliant moonlight, assisted by roaring flocks of night bombing airplanes the British fought out the night and made steady gains. They are using see-saw tactics, and not at any time since the new battle began has the whole line attacked all the series of objectives at the same time. Guns are moved up in relays, so that there is constantly a heavy fire on the German front and rear. Infantry assaults are launched at different times. First one end of the line, and then another section some distance away is sent smashing into the enemy.

These tactics bewildered the Germans. No enemy unit knows where an assault is coming and all are forced to stand in readiness under torrents of steel, high explosives, shrapnel and gas. A com- plete observation from the air. Transports, ammunition trains and masses of men became mixed up on the roads in that vicinity. When the concentration was sufficiently large and the army traffic appeared to be in the greatest state of confusion the British guns opened up their weapons and pumped in steel as rapidly as possible. Within a few minutes the ground was strewn with dead men and horses, equipment, wagons, lorries and limbers.

Reports just received from one section of the front tell of fierce fighting at several places. They particularly mention Pomeruville, where the British were held up for a time by a murderous fire from a heavy concentration of German machine guns. The place was filled with the spluttering weapons. The British waited for a time until the advance had progressed north and south of them. Then they swept around the town on both sides. At the rear they found a triangular cleared space in which the German machine gunners retired to prepared positions. The British went around them and captured Pomeruville Wood at the back of the triangle, thus surrounding the enemy.

AT MOUNT ALLISON.

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THE 'WINDS OF WINTER' WILL BRING A SHARP CHANGE TO THE WEATHER.