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BRITISH AND FRENCH GIVE ENEMY NO PEACE; DRIVE IS CONTINUED WITH SUCCESS

Both Allied Armies Attacked This Morning; British Blows on Two Sections of Enemy Front; Excellent Results Early

London, Oct. 26.—The French and British troops are attacking today in the Ypres region. The war office so announces. The French and British are making satisfactory progress in their new attack.

The statement follows: "At 5.45 o'clock this morning attacks were launched by the French and British armies north, northeast and east of Ypres. The allied troops are reported to be making satisfactory progress.

Rain fell heavily during the latter part of the night, and is still continuing."

FRENCH SUCCESSFUL Paris, Oct. 26.—The village of Draebank, Papegoed Wood, and several fortified farms were captured by the French in an attack launched this morning on the Flanders front. The war office so reports. Hundreds of prisoners were taken.

Two British Blows. British Front in Belgium, Oct. 26.—(By the Associated Press)—Field Marshal Haig's forces this morning made two separate attacks on the German positions north and east of Ypres. The first was from a point near Draebank, Papegoed Wood and several fortified farms, organized as points of support, fell into our hands. We took hundreds of prisoners.

The night was calm on the front north of the Aisne. The enemy undertook no reaction except for a feeble artillery fire. Our troops are organizing the positions captured on the south bank of the Oise-Aisne Canal, where the enemy blew up the bridges on retiring.

In the Argonne a German attack on our small posts was without success. "On the right bank of the Meuse the Germans renewed their attacks on our positions at Chateau Wood. After a very spirited engagement, in the course of which the enemy suffered serious losses, he was prevented from gaining a footing, except in one of our advanced positions.

"Everywhere else the night was calm."

WORRIES SUCCESS Amsterdam, Oct. 26.—German newspapers are uneasy over the French advance northeast of Solons. Those at Cologne say it is impossible to minimize the importance of the French blow. The Völkischer Zeitung says: "We must not exaggerate the meaning of the French advance. It is only an initial success. We must not forget what resistance our brilliant troops have offered to the numerically superior army."

The Frankfurter Zeitung characterizes the battle as "important" for Germany, but not desperate and believes France's aim is the capture of Laon.

HARD BLOW AT CROWN PRINCE With the French Armies in France, Oct. 26.—(Associated Press)—The sight of the towers of the cathedral of Laon on the horizon a few miles away spurred the French soldiers to wonderful efforts of endurance and swiftness of movement. They went on determinedly in pursuit of the Germans, leaving parties behind to clear out the caucers and caverns which disgorged hundreds of demoralized prisoners, who seemed astounded at the vastness of their defeat. With all this severe fighting on a battle field where the Germans held strong positions and where they accepted the challenge of the French army to stand up combat, the French casualties were remarkably low.

The French troops of all branches are jubilant over the victory. Where the Germans will make a stand is not yet to be foreseen. What is known now is that the line of their retreat is over a difficult and boggy terrain, where the movement of guns is possible only with great precaution.

The correspondent spoke to several prisoners, none of whom quote the extent of the disaster to the army of the Crown Prince, who had made such elaborate preparations to meet the French attack. All the wounded Germans seemed delighted with the swift speeches, music and dancing filled in a very pleasant afternoon and evening.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Crowe, Mrs. M. MacDonnald, A. Scott, Douglas MacArthur of St. John, and Mrs. R. S. Wilby, and Miss M. S. McCutcheon, of Fredericton. Most of the party returned to their homes by motor late in the evening.

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Princeton, N. J., Oct. 26.—In view of the revelations recently divulged by the state department concerning operations of the German diplomatic corps in the United States, Count Von Bernstorff's name has been stricken from the rolls of Princeton University.

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MANUFACTURERS PLEDGE SUPPORT IN THE WAR WORK

Executive of Association Passes Resolutions

Montreal, Oct. 26.—The executive of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association yesterday unanimously passed a resolution congratulating Premier Borden on the consummation of the union government and pledging its support in all matters pertaining to the vigorous prosecution of the war.

In Toronto Toronto, Oct. 26.—The council of the win-the-war league, at a luncheon yesterday passed a resolution supporting the union government and pledging itself to secure the election, irrespective of previous party affiliations, of candidates pledged to support the union government.

In Sherbrooke, Que., Oct. 26.—At a meeting of the Eastern Townships Liberal-Conservative Association yesterday afternoon a resolution was passed endorsing the Borden platform. Meetings of the Liberal and Conservative will be called in all the counties with the object of deciding jointly on a candidate who favors the union government's policy.

Edmonton, Oct. 26.—The executive of the Strathcona Liberal Association today accepted the withdrawal of J. E. Douglas, former member, who resigned because of his sympathy with the new government. It was decided to call a new convention and put a straight Liberal candidate in the field.

Montréal, Oct. 26.—Those who talk most about loyalty to the empire, the necessity of defeating Germany and winning the war, are those most anxious to enrich themselves out of the war and those who render the most treacherous service to Canada under the cloak of ultra-loyalty, said Oscar Gladu, former M. P. for Yamaska, last night in an address before the Young Men's Liberal Association in St. Jean Baptiste Market Hall on "Loyalty and Treason."

Mr. Gladu said there are many men, both Liberal and Conservative, who can be worked under the spell of the word loyalty to ruin Canada to save the empire. An evil wind was blowing over the country, he said, and the national equilibrium seemed broken. Mr. Gladu spoke as if he thought there were people in Canada who would like to eliminate the French-Canadians altogether.

Lair is Nominated. Dunnville, Ont., Oct. 26.—F. R. Lair, who as a Conservative has represented Haldimand in the House of Commons for the last fourteen years, was the unanimous choice yesterday of the union government organization here in the coming elections.

Subury, Ont., Oct. 26.—Geo. B. Nicholson of Chapeau was unanimously chosen as the unionist candidate for East Algonia, by a convention of Conservatives and Liberals here yesterday afternoon. No other name was submitted to the convention.

In North Bruce Tara, Ont., Oct. 26.—Colonel Hugh Clark was yesterday unanimously nominated as the win-the-war candidate for North Bruce, at a non-partisan convention here.

At Port Arthur Port Arthur, Ont., Oct. 26.—Two resolutions were passed at a general meeting of the Liberal Association last night. One was to meet a suggestion from the International Bible Union delegates by appointing fifteen delegates to meet a like number of Conservatives in an effort to agree upon a candidate.

Three hours later another resolution inviting Sir Wilfrid Laurier to visit Port Arthur on his proposed trip was passed.

PROVINCIAL ROADS Hon. Peter J. Veniot, provincial minister of public works, and Burton M. Hill, provincial road engineer, arrived in the city today after completing an inspection of roads and road work in Carleton county. There is still considerable road work to be done, chiefly in the form of finishing up the work already undertaken. The amount which will be accomplished before winter sets in now depends largely upon the weather.

No Breakwater Work While Shells Needed

Statement By Hon. F. B. Carvell Relative to St. John Harbor Matter—Minister Here Today

"We cannot spend on public works, however necessary, the money we need for shells." This was the statement made this afternoon by Hon. F. B. Carvell, the new Dominion Minister of Public Works, when asked about the prospects for the construction of the extension of the Negro Head breakwater to Partridge Island. The work, for which tenders were called some time ago, would require the expenditure of something like a million dollars.

"The construction of the breakwater is indefinitely postponed," Hon. Mr. Carvell added, "so long as we need the money for war purposes. Munitions must come first."

Hon. Mr. Carvell arrived in the city at noon today and is at the Royal Hotel. He will leave the city again this evening, but expects to return on Monday.

Shot Dead By Her Little Brother Near Fredericton

Tragedy in Farm House—Boy Pulls Trigger of Rifle When Sister Refuses to Hold Up Hands

Fredericton, Oct. 26.—A terrible tragedy was enacted early this morning at McLeod Hill, Parish of Douglas, some five miles from Fredericton, when Grace McNaughton, aged eleven years, was shot and killed instantly by her brother, two years younger. It was another case of "did not know it was loaded."

The house is that of Mrs. and Mrs. Robert McNaughton and is on the farm of Wm. Seymour for whom Mr. McNaughton works. The mother was in the house at the time the tragedy occurred. The father, who had just returned from his work, saw the boy and the girl, aged six and a little baby. The eldest girl, Annie, who usually got breakfast said she was not feeling well this morning and Grace prepared the meal for the other children. She then returned to bed, lying down with her clothing on. The eldest sister was on the outside of the bed and the baby in the middle, Grace being at the rear.

As the three children lay in bed little Gordon entered the room and seized a rifle which stood behind the door. He leveled the weapon at each of the children in the bed in turn. "Hands up," he said to each. Annie held her's up and then held up those of the baby. Grace refused to hold up hers and Gordon pulled the trigger. The bullet passed over the eldest sister and the baby and struck Grace in the chest, causing instant death.

According to the information given by Dr. Maltby, the children, the rifle belonged to Frank Cowie, an employee of the Smith Foundry Company, Fredericton, who had left it there after hunting in the vicinity. The magazine evidently had been left charged. Mrs. McNaughton arrived just as the coroner was leaving, a car being sent to Doak Settlement for her.

TRINIDAD SHOWS CASTRO THE DOOR Destined, Apparently, to be a Wanderer on the Face of the Earth

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Oct. 26.—Cipriano Castro, former president of Venezuela, has been requested by the government to leave Trinidad. The general declared his residence here had no political significance, and protested against being compelled to sail at this season of the year, but is preparing to depart for the United States.

General Castro has been traveling from one place to another for years, finding many ports against him. Last month the former dictator of Venezuela, after a short stay in New York, sailed for Trinidad.

PHILIP AND PHOENIX WEATHER REPORT Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. P. Stewart, director of meteorological service

Synopsis.—The storm which was centered in Montreal yesterday morning has almost disappeared over Labrador, while a disturbance which has moved northward with increasing energy towards the low western states has moved northward from Ontario to the maritime provinces and is becoming much colder in the western provinces. Storm signals are displayed on the lower lakes.

Forecasts.—Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay.—Winds increasing to gales from southwest and south tonight; Saturday, southwest gales, showers at first then fair. Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence.—Fair and mild today; Saturday, southwest gales and showers.

Lower St. Lawrence, Gulf and North Shore.—Moderate winds, fair and mild today; Saturday, south and southwest gales, showers.

Gales, With Rain.—Maritime.—Moderate westerly winds, fair and mild part of Saturday, then southwest gales with rain in the southwest provinces. Strong west to northwest winds, becoming colder, local snowfalls.

Lake Superior.—Strong easterly winds, fair, Saturday, colder.

New England.—Probably rain late tonight and Saturday; warmer tonight, increasing southerly winds.

ITALIANS GIVING WAY UNDER GREAT PRESSURE

THE SINN FEIN CONFERENCE OPENS

More Than Quarter Million Members, Says Secretary

Dublin, Oct. 26.—The Sinn Fein conference opened yesterday under the presidency of Arthur Griffiths, founder of the organization. There were 1,700 delegates present, including many young priests. The secretary reported that more than 1,000 clubs had been organized with a membership of a quarter of a million.

The conference last night decided that the members of the organization should be trained in the use of arms, although this will not be compulsory. The conference promised that the provisional government of Ireland should be established without delay. It adopted a provisional constitution aimed at securing the international recognition of Ireland as an independent republic and providing for the convocation of a constitutional assembly.

The conference was orderly. The speeches were delivered partly in the Irish language. London, Oct. 26.—The Daily Mail's Sinn Fein correspondent in West Ireland telegraphs that there is no news there of the whereabouts of Professor Edward Devillers, M. P. for East Clare, who was quoted in the House of Commons a day or two ago as having been expelled from Ireland, and there is growing anxiety as to his movements.

It is possible, says the correspondent, that he will be found in Dublin, while the most militant and pacific leaders in the west and south have gone to attend the convention.

MacCarton's Activity. Dublin, Oct. 25.—(Montreal Gazette cable)—Dr. Patrick MacCarton was a dispensary doctor at Carrickmore, County Tyrone, for several years before the Easter rising and has been identified with the Sinn Fein volunteers from their inception.

The London Chronicle's Cork correspondent says: "Melloys (MacCarton) escaped from Cork immediately after the Easter uprising on a forged seaman's ticket. The authorities at that time offered a large reward for his capture, and the Sinn Feiners put out the report that he had got away in a German submarine, but I am in a position to state that Melloys made his way to an English port on a cross-channel passenger vessel. He acted a drunken seaman to perfection, and in this way eluded the vigilance of the authorities.

"Here is another story of his activities during the Easter week uprising. He was deported about six months before April 1916, to England, where he was expected to report himself daily to a police station. He reported himself only once, and then returned to Ireland and took part in the work. The police led at the rising in Galway. The police all the time thought him secure in England. He fooled them by getting a substitute to take his place and report every twenty-four hours, while all the time he was drilling, arming and preparing the Sinn Feiners in Connacht."

DeValera President. Dublin, Oct. 26.—At today's session Prof. Edward DeValera, M.P. for East Clare, who was referred to in the House of Commons recently as having been in conflict with the Sinn Fein, was elected president of the conference after Count Plunkett and Arthur Griffith, who also were nominated, had withdrawn. In announcing that Professor DeValera had been elected unanimously, Mr. Griffith said the Sinn Feiners now had at their head a statesman as well as a soldier.

CITY COAL. Orders have been received at city hall for more hard coal than is being received in the second shipment which the council is bringing in for the benefit of the citizens. Some of the departments are taking advantage of the opportunity to stock up for the winter, and yesterday all the teams of the water and sewerage department were busy hauling coal to the waterworks office, Leinster street, the venturi meter station, and the west end city hall.

Plows Up Ring Lost 20 Years. Swatelle, Cal., Oct. 26.—A wedding ring lost twenty years ago in Pueblo, Col., by Mrs. C. R. Thompson of Jefferson avenue, Westgate, was ploughed up there a few days ago by a tenant who had leased their place, according to a letter received. The ring, which came with the letter, was identified by Mrs. Thompson as the lost one.

TO ATTACK LEGALITY OF MILITARY SERVICE ACT Counsel For Defence in Anti-Conscription Cases in Montreal Says it is Unconstitutional

Montreal, Oct. 26.—Counsel for the defence in the case of the prosecution of anti-conscriptionist orators proposed to attack the legality of the Military Service Act and to apply for a writ of prohibition against Judge Saint Cyr to stop him from proceeding with the various statements made next Tuesday. He contends that the act is unconstitutional.

German Major Leads 150 of His Troops Into French Lines as Prisoners

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Fire Loss of \$300,000. Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 26.—Fire last night in the basement of the Baker Company, retail store, in Euclid avenue, did damage estimated at \$300,000.

Lines Back To The Border In One Sector

Rome, Oct. 26.—Under the Austro-German pressure on the Isonzo front the Italians have withdrawn their lines to the border in one sector and are preparing for the evacuation of the Bainsizza plateau. The war office so announced today.

Says 30,000 Prisoners. Berlin, Oct. 26, via London.—The Austro-Germans in their offensive on the Isonzo front have captured more than 30,000 Italians, the war office so announced today. More than 300 guns were taken.

Army Headquarters in Northern Italy, Oct. 26.—(By the Associated Press)—Under the escort of an officer from headquarters, the correspondent was given an opportunity today to see Gorizia under a rain of shells from nearby Austrian batteries, and to look out from a castle dominating the city on the vast scene of military operations which Gorizia is the strategic centre. The visit was made just as the Austrians and Germans were inaugurating their heavy offensive from the north in the effort to redeem their recent heavy losses.

A heavy artillery bombardment had initiated the movement with the Italian batteries responding, along a front of twenty miles running across the Bainsizza plateau towards Tolmino. As the correspondent passed along the road from headquarters shells were falling freely three miles outside of Gorizia, and there was a steady roar of guns of all calibres. Such an offensive had been anticipated for several days.