

DRIVE THROUGH LORRAINE A COMPLETE SUCCESS; AMERICAN ARMY IS WITHIN FOUR MILES OF METZ.

OTTAWA GETS RIGHT AFTER THE LOAFERS

Government Decides To Enforce Wider Application of the Anti-Loafing Law.

DOMINION POLICE CHIEF IN CHARGE

He Can Appoint Such Officers As Are Necessary To Prosecute Campaign.

Ottawa, Sept. 13.—Steps were taken by the government today to secure wider application of the anti-loafing law. By order-in-council the chief commissioner of Dominion police is charged with the enforcement of the law in all localities where, in his opinion the provisions of the law have not been effectively enforced. The chief commissioner is empowered to appoint such special officers throughout the Dominion as he may consider necessary for the purpose of assisting him. It is further provided that such special officers may be charged with such duties, in connection with the functions of his office as he may from time to time determine.

M. S. A. REGISTRARS GETTING POINTERS

Officials Have Had Conference in Ottawa and Will Be in Montreal Today.

Montreal, Sept. 13.—When Mr. Eugene H. Godin, registrar for military district No. 1, comes back from Ottawa tomorrow he will have with him registrars from all the other military districts of Canada. These will be received by Mr. J. C. Pettiford, deputy registrar, and shown all the salient points. All these men have been in consultation for several days at Ottawa, exchanged experiences and suggestions and they are concluding their conference by coming to Montreal.

CASUALTIES

Ottawa, Sept. 13.—Casualties to-night: Infantry. Wounded—H. Graham, Centreville, N. S.; W. P. Bower, Shelburne, N. S.; C. F. Caldwell, Nipa Mills River, N. S.; F. J. Andrews, Halifax, N. B.; J. C. Barbour, Little Roche, N. B.; L. Legere, Renouville Mills, N. S.; C. McNaughton, New Glasgow, N. S.; A. McPhail, Argyle Shore, P. E. I. ALL'S WELL IN MAGEDONIA. Paris, Thursday, Sept. 12.—The official statement issued this evening regarding operations in Macedonia says: "Near East, September 11.—There was artillery activity on the whole front. Enemy reconnoitering parties in the regions of the Struma and Coras Rivers were driven off. "Aviation—French and British airplanes dropped more than 400 kilograms of explosives in the region of Demirkapu, Gradsko and Serev."

OFFICIAL ENQUIRY

An enquiry into the destruction of the four masted schooner Dorfontein will be held this morning, beginning at ten o'clock, in the court house. The court will be composed of Capt. I. A. Demers, president and Capt. J. Mulcahy and Capt. Hayes as the other members. Some members of the crew will be called to give evidence and it is expected the enquiry will be finished by noon.

PRIVATE HOBBY VS. PUBLIC WEAL

Saving gasoline will help to save mankind. A gasoline shortage is now threatened. If the urgent overseas requirements of "gas" are to be met, all unnecessary use of motor cars must be rigidly eliminated in this country. Shall motoring for pleasure continue here, while in and behind the embattled lines in France there is need of all of this commodity that can be transported? The Canadian Fuel Controller is appealing to all owners of motor cars to subordinate their private hobby to the public weal. To such an appeal only one answer is possible. No drastic regulations are issued. Every motorist in Canada is put on his honor. Let no man waste in pleasure here what is urgently needed "over there" for work of the gravest and grimmest sort. Moreover if you save gasoline you save money. Our country calls for both. Heed her call today. Don't drive your auto tomorrow.

AMERICANS REACH GERMAN BORDER

Wonderful Progress Yesterday on St. Mihiel Sector—Thousands of Prisoners Taken.

HUNS FLEE BEFORE PERSHING'S MEN

Railway From Verdun To Commercy, Toul and Nancy Given Up By Germans—Allies Will Use It To Rush Troops Toward Rhine.

London, Sept. 13.—Twelve thousand prisoners have been taken by the Americans in their offensive at St. Mihiel. The entire salient has now been captured.

The railway from Verdun to Commercy, Toul and Nancy, is now open to the Entente Allies.

All the villages in the St. Mihiel salient were captured by the Americans and the front in this sector was reduced from some forty miles to a little under twenty miles. The battle line now runs directly from Pagny, on the Moselle river, to Hattonville, and then along the foot of the heights of the Meuse.

Pagny, a town on the Moselle river, is on the western border of Germany.

In addition to the 12,000 prisoners, who have been counted, large numbers of Germans are still coming in. Most of the villages captured by the Americans in the St. Mihiel salient were left in good condition by the Germans.

The town of St. Mihiel was practically undamaged. The Germans left the railroad from Verdun to Commercy, Toul and Nancy intact and this road will prove a great help to the Entente Allies.

Another valuable line of railway from Thiaucourt to St. Mihiel, by which the Germans fed their troops in the salient, also was left intact. The operation of the Americans must be regarded as a big local success. All the objectives were reached.

With the Americans in Lorraine, Sept. 13.—(By The Associated Press)—The St. Mihiel salient has been wiped out and the enemy forces are now virtually with their backs on the famous Wotan-Hindenburg line, with the Americans and French paralleling them closely from Verdun to the Moselle.

The line now extends past Norroy, Jaulny, Xammes, St. Benoit, Hattonville, Hannonville and Herbeville.

C. G. R. PORTER BROUGHT BOOZE FROM MONTREAL

He Was Fined \$100 and Costs in Moncton Court—Paint Cans Used To Carry "Joy Juice."

Special to The Standard. Moncton, N.B., Sept. 13.—As a result of complaints that considerable liquor is being brought into prohibition New Brunswick by colored porters on the trains from Montreal, Chief Rideout this morning visited the Maritime Express and searched the trains. The search resulted in the arrest of a colored porter named Chas. Berry, who had in his possession two or three long-necked whiskey and two new gallon paint cans containing similar stuff. He was before the Police Magistrate this morning, was convicted and fined \$100 and costs or four months. As Berry only had 25 cents he is being held until he can raise money from his home in Halifax. During the search of the train liquor was found in a grip belonging to a passenger named A. Polier, said to be engaged on the Halifax terminal. Polier was taken to the police station and fined \$50, and he paid up. Nine paint cans containing liquor which were seized a few days ago by the police were taken by St. John today by the Chief Dominion Inspector.

S. D. Hopper has been advised from Ottawa that Pte. Henry R. Hopper has been wounded in the right arm. This is the second time Pte. Hopper has been wounded.

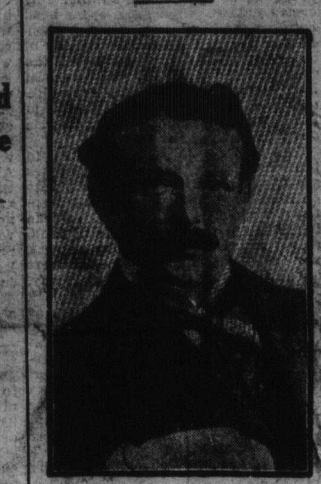
The death of Mrs. Ferdinand Leblanc, aged 81, of St. Paul, Kent county, occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Dupuis, here today. She is survived by a husband.

ANXIETY OVER CONDITION OF LLOYD GEORGE

British Premier's Illness Said To Be More Serious Than First Thought.

OBLIGED TO CANCEL HIS ENGAGEMENTS

Has Been Working Under High Nervous Pressure and Breakdown Is Feared.



PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE.

By Arthur S. Draper. (Special Cable to the New York Tribune and St. John Standard.) (Copyright 1918 by the New York Tribune Inc.)

London, Sept. 13.—The sudden illness of Lloyd-George has aroused widespread attention for it is known that the premier lately has been working under high nervous pressure. He remained in bed today and cancelled his motor program from Manchester to Blackpool with speeches en route. Large audiences already had assembled at Salford this morning but they had to be sent away.

The cause of the premier's illness was a chill contracted at Manchester where he received the freedom of the city. He had a high temperature this morning and despite reassurances by Mrs. Lloyd-George that he now is a little better it is doubtful whether he will be able to keep to his Blackpool programme. He was to speak before a large audience at Blackpool, which Gompers also will address.

FOURTEEN MILLION MEN ADDED TO U. S. ROLL

Registration Returns Were Eight Per Cent. in Excess of Advance Estimates.

Washington, Sept. 13.—Yesterday's registration of men between eighteen and forty-five for military service was eight per cent. above the advance estimates and may have added close to 14,000,000 men to the man-power roll according to reports that commenced coming to Provost Marshal Crowder today from state draft executives. The first group of states to present partial or complete totals all showed well over expectations.

PETROGRAD CAPTURED BY ANTI-REVOLUTIONARIES

Paris, Sept. 13.—Despatches received by English newspapers through Helmsingers announce that Petrograd has been taken by the anti-revolutionists.

seven sons and three daughters. One son, Frederick, is with the Canadian forces in France.

THE WAR SITUATION TOLD IN SHORT METRE

Americans progress to PERRY, on the western border of Germany, capture many villages and 12,000 prisoners. Importantly railway from Verdun to Commercy, Toul and Nancy now in the hands of the Entente Allies. Germans evacuate entire St. Mihiel salient and are retiring before our victorious forces. British make important gains in the drive toward St. Quentin. Von Hertling, Imperial German Chancellor, declares Germany is ready for peace.

BRITISH DRIVING FOR ST. QUENTIN

Important Gains Around Vermand, Jeancourt and in Region of La Bassee.

ARMENTIERES THE NEXT TO FALL

British and French Advances Render This Important Town in Grave Peril and Triumph of Allies in That Region Is Question of Few Days.

(Associated Press Bulletin.)

London, Sept. 13.—Northwest of St. Quentin the British have gained additional ground around Vermand and Jeancourt and in the region of La Bassee have made further progress, according to the official communication issued tonight. In the latter region territory giving the British a wide range over the outlying districts has been reached.

The text of the communication follows: "In the Vermand and Jeancourt sector, northwest of St. Quentin, our troops have gained ground in contact with the enemy advanced detachments and have taken prisoners."

"Southwest of La Bassee our progress has continued. Our troops have gained possession of Fosse-De-Bethune and of the slag heap adjoining it. This slag heap, known as 'the dump,' forms an important local feature, giving wide observation over the surrounding coast.

"To the north of it our troops hold the German trench immediately west of Auchy-Lez-La Bassee and are pressing forward into the village. We captured a few prisoners during the night in the neighborhood of Lillebeke Lake."

ARMENTIERES IS IMPERILED.

London, Sept. 13.—The manoeuvrings of the west front around Cambrai and St. Quentin should not be lost sight of by reason of the present American offensive. Here the British and French daily are enlarging their gains in the process of outflanking and capturing these two important towns, which are all but within their grasp. Farther to the north, in Flanders, the British also are keeping up their encroachments in the region of La Bassee and Armentieres, both of which places are imperiled.

THE EXPRESS STRIKE ENDED

Agreement Reached Yesterday Between Striking Employees and Dominion Express Co.

Montreal, Sept. 13.—In connection with the Dominion Express strike in this city which also extends from Port Arthur to the east and in Vancouver as well, the following agreement has been arrived at between a committee of the employees of the Dominion Express Company and T. E. McDonnell, vice-president and general manager of the Dominion Express. In conference with a committee representing messengers and Montreal employees Mr. McDonnell has agreed that all questions of rival organizations being dropped, the employees on strike will be taken back without prejudice to their seniority or pension rights.

GERMANY IS NOW READY FOR PEACE?

Imperial Chancellor Believes End of War Is Nearer Than Generally Supposed.

PROFESSES TO BE AGAINST CONQUEST

General Smuts of South Africa Declares Huns Best Opportunity Ended Last January.

London, Sept. 13.—Notwithstanding the declaration of Germany's peace offer, Count Von Hertling, the Imperial German Chancellor, is convinced that peace is nearer than is generally supposed, according to an address made by the chancellor before the Trades Unionist leaders in Germany, says a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Copenhagen.

The Chancellor declared that both the German government and army leaders desired an understanding and peace. Count Von Hertling said the government and the army leaders were against all conquests. As soon as it was convinced of the impossibility of an agreement with the Upper House on the suffrage question, the chancellor said, he would dissolve the Lower House.

THE KAISER'S SPEECH.

Paris, Sept. 13.—Commenting on the speech of Emperor William to the workmen at the Krupp Munitions Works at Essen, which was reported in despatches from Amsterdam Thursday, the newspapers declare the Emperor endeavored to brace up the shaken spirits of the German people and to fight the defeatist elements. The Petit Parisien says: "The emperor gave up his grandiloquent tone to adopt a whispering tone. He does not speak any more of the antagonism of the Germans towards the Anglo-Saxons."

Figaro says: "There was not a word in the speech which was not either an inhuman snarl or a lie for slaves, and this in an atmosphere of bitterness and discouragement."

FORTY DEAD IN TRAIN WRECK

Accident Due To Collapse of Embankment Takes Heavy Toll of Life.

Amsterdam, Sept. 13.—Forty persons were killed and between 100 and 150 others injured today in a railway accident near Woerden, eight miles southeast of Amsterdam. An embankment collapsed, owing to the recent rains, and almost the entire train fell down the steep side.

THE OPPORTUNITY GONE.

Newcastle, England, Sept. 13.—The German people ought to know that if they had dreamed of getting better peace terms from the Entente than those formulated last January they were mistaken, said General Jan Christian Smuts, member of the Privy Council, in an address on being given the freedom of the city.

The American army next year would be bigger than the British and French armies combined, General Smuts declared, and would be employed in a great offensive.

THE DAILY FICTION.

Berlin, via London, Sept. 13.—The day was quieter on the fighting fronts," said the German official communication issued today.