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ALSACE-LORRAINE TO BE FEDERAL DUCHY

Herzog Von Urack of Wurttemburg House to Be Reigning Duke.

London, Aug. 24—Despite German official denials, says the Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company, the German newspapers assert that Chancellor Michaelis has decided to make Alsace-Lorraine a federal duchy, with Herzog Von Urach, a member of the third ducal line of the Wurttemburg house, the reigning duke. A majority of the Alsatian members of the Reichstag are said to approve the decision.

Reuter's Opinion.

London, Aug 24—(via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—Reuter's correspondent at French army headquarters telegraphs:

"The taking of Hill 304 completes the operation begun on August 20th. It is the last stronghold of the Bosches marked down for capture. The value of the hill lay in the menace which it offered to the French positions on Mort-Homme."

TOOTH CAUSED DEATH.

Newcastle, Aug. 23.—The death occurred at the Miramichi Hospital under sad circumstances, of Albert MacDonald, a prosperous farmer of Grey Rapids. Mr. MacDonald had an ulcerated tooth extracted several days ago and blood poisoning set in. Deceased was 36 years of age and is survived by a wife and four children at Grey Rapids.

Ottawa, Aug. 23—In official circles here nothing is known of the Washington sulphur embargo. The view is that there will be some loop hole to provide for export by special license to fill actual needs of the pulp manufacturers. It is believed the order is only designed to control and conserve the sulphur supply of the United States.

That Canada will not be wholly cut off is the more probable from the fact that American publishers depend so largely on this country for their news print.

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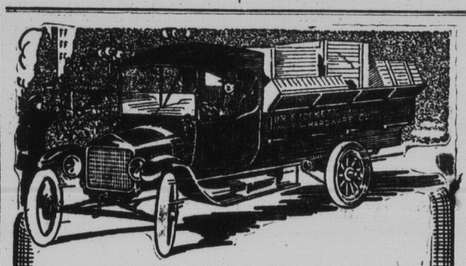
The Attack on Germany.

Amsterdam, Aug. 24—A semi-official telegram from Berlin says that during an enemy air attack Tuesday night a girl was killed at Metz.

No military damage was done at Exisheim, Freiburg and Schlettstadt, but a woman and five children were injured.

Halifax, Aug. 23.—A steamer arrived here this afternoon on fire. Tonight the fire appeared to be well under control, but it is impossible at present to ascertain the extent of the damage.

A large quantity of oil in the lower holds is being pumped out.



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BOYS FROM CANADA AND FRENCH CONTINUE GAINS

CANADIANS THROW BACK THE GERMANS BEFORE LENS WITH HEAVY LOSSES TO ENEMY

Brisk Fight Continues Throughout Thursday Night and Battle Continued Yesterday—Russians to Transfer Capital to Moscow—Austrians May Lose City of Trieste.

THE GALLANT CANADIANS CROSS THE RIVER AND ADVANCE ON 700-YARD FRONT

French Make Attack on Left Bank of the Meuse River Between Avocourt and Dead Man Hill and Capture Hill 304, Camard Wood and Fortified Works.

London, Aug. 24.—Heavy fighting was kept up through the night south of Lens. The British now hold German trenches immediately northwest of the bitterly disputed Green Crassier. Portuguese troops repulsed German raiders at two points in the region of La Bassee. The official announcement follows:

"Fierce fighting continued in the night south of Lens as a result of which we hold German trenches immediately northwest of the Green Crassier. The enemy artillery has been active in the night northeast of Ypres. Hostile raiders were repulsed in the night by the Portuguese at two points northwest of La Bassee."

The A. P. Report.

British Front in France and Belgium, Aug. 24.—(By the Associated Press)—Heavy fighting proceeded throughout the night on the southwest edge of Lens for the possession of the great slag heap known as the Green Crassier from the crest of which the Canadians broke through late yesterday after having a footing on it all day. The British this morning were continuing the battle from positions which they had seized immediately northwest of the Crassier and the Germans were making strenuous efforts to re-establish their shattered defences on the top of this artificial hill. The Canadians held the Crassier until late in the afternoon in the face of numerous bitter counter-attacks by strong forces of the enemy. In each case hard hand-to-hand fighting with the bayonet resulted in the Germans being thrown back with severe losses.

Reuter's Statement.

London, Aug. 24, via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.—Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters telegraphed last night:

"Beginning at 3 o'clock this morning a small force achieved quite a big success. The Bosches had been relying upon the flooded districts southwest of Lens to assure them against attack from this direction. Swinging around from Puisstelues, the indominable Canadian troops got across the river, deploying and pushing on along a front of about 700 yards.

"There was still fighting about Green Crassier, a great slag heap full of machine guns, posts and dugouts. The Canadians were subjected to a most harrassing fire from East Fossestiers. They came to the mouth of a tunnel in which four machine guns were emplaced. With a great dash they carried the place, captured the guns and made prisoners of the survivors of the crews.

"There was much hand-to-hand fighting during the early morning, two Prussian battalions particularly putting up a desperate resistance. Enemy airplanes participated in the defence, some swooping very low and firing into our men. But they were made to pay for their temerity, one being brought down in flames, while another crashed to the earth.

"The result of this brilliant little operation is that General Currie's left flank is now secured from the south and Lens itself now lies deep in a close gripping enclave."

Hill 70 Captured.

Paris, Aug. 24.—The French made an attack this morning on the left bank of the Meuse, between Avocourt Wood and Dead Man Hill. The war office announces the capture of Hill 304, Camard Wood and the fortified works between Haucourt Wood and Bethincourt. The French gained more than their objectives, advancing to an average depth of two kilometres, a mile and a half.

A total of 8,000 prisoners have been taken this week.

Austrians Alarmed.

London, Aug. 24.—The Austrians are removing everything of value from Trieste to Vienna and other inland places, according to a Rome despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company.

Moscow to be the Capital.

Petrograd, Aug. 24.—General Alexieff, former commander-in-chief of the Russian forces, in an interview today at Moscow, asserted that Germany's strategy aimed at driving the Roumanian army from all its positions in order to compel Roumania to conclude a separate peace or to enter into an alliance with the Teutonic allies.

The seat of the Russian government General Alexieff continued, must be transferred to Moscow, although Petrograd at the present is not really threatened. The situation on the Russian front, he added, though serious is not hopeless.

WAR LORD IS WRATHY AT BRITAIN

England, Arch-Enemy of Germany, Must Be Put Down, Exclaims Kaiser — Still Trusts in Almighty.

Copenhagen, Aug. 24—England, the arch-enemy of Germany, must be beaten down at whatever cost, so Emperor William told his troops while on a visit to the Flanders front on Wednesday. An official statement issued in Berlin says that the emperor addressed deputations from all detachments which have had a share in meeting the British attacks. He said he felt impelled to express his thanks and his full recognition of the heroic gallantry shown by troops from all parts of Germany in the hard fighting of the last week. The emperor referred to marked contrast between the German and Anglo-French points of view and continued:

In Hands of Almighty.

"It is in God's hands when in His wisdom He will give us victory. He has taught our army a hard lesson and now we are going to pass the examination. With the old German confidence in God we shall show what we can do. The greater and mightier the problem, the more gladly we shall grapple with it and solve it. We shall fight and conquer until the enemy has had enough of these struggles.

"All Germans have realized who is the instigator of this war and who is the chief enemy—England. Everyone knows England is our most spiteful adversary. She spreads the hatred of Germany over the world, filling her allies with hatred and eagerness to fight. Thus everyone at home knows what you know still better, that England is particularly the enemy to be struck down, however difficult it may be.

"Your relatives at home who, too, have made great sacrifices, thank you through me.

"A difficult struggle lies ahead of us. England, proud of her stubborn resistance, believes in her invincibility, but you will show that you can achieve still greater things, for the prize of the war is the German people's freedom to live—freedom at sea and freedom at home. With God's help we shall see the struggle through and be victorious."

FIFTEEN WHITE MEN KILLED BY NEGROES

Martial Law Proclaimed in Houston, Texas, and Vicinity—More Trouble Likely.

Houston, Texas, Aug. 24—At least fifteen white men are dead and more than twenty persons, including two young white girls, are suffering from gunshot wounds as the result of an outbreak of 150 negroes of the 24th United States infantry, who last night left their headquarters at Camp Logan near here, began to fire their guns promiscuously and for several hours terrorized the residents of the community.

Martial law was proclaimed by Governor Ferguson, effective in Houston and vicinity and early today the military authorities had the situation under control although seventy of the negro soldiers were still missing.

The trouble is said to have started after some of the soldiers had complained of treatment accorded them by members of the Houston police force.

POTATO CROP DISAPPOINTS PRODUCERS

Rust and Rot Serious Up the River and Maine — Live Stock Scarce and Hay Plentiful When Beef is At Highest Mark.

Fredericton, Aug. 24—Hon. J. F. Tweeddale minister of agriculture, today gave a statement of crop conditions as far as the information received by his department and his own personal knowledge would permit. Hay is an abundant crop. On the upper St. John much old hay is pressed and ready for shipment and the cut of new hay is so great that storage room is at a premium. Farmers with hay containing a large proportion of clover, are letting it ripen with the intention of grinding it for clover seed.

Similar conditions prevail in other parts of the province. There is little live stock in the province to which to feed hay, a regrettable state of affairs, which is the result largely of the demand of the United States market for young animals.

In all sections including Maine the potato crop promised well until within the past week. In that time rust has hit Victoria and Carleton counties hard. The largest potato acreage is in that section. Some fields are entirely brown and rot also has made its appearance. Farmers anticipate that the yield will be seriously affected. Similar conditions are reported from Aroostook county, Maine. The minister stated that turnips had an acreage from fifty to seventy per cent. greater than the average and everywhere were in excellent condition. The yield was expected to be greater than the average.

Oats Poor, Wheat Good.

Wheat gives excellent promise. The acreage is the largest in years, farmers, who never sowed the grain before, having put in large fields. The wheat is well headed and is ripening fast. The crop promises better than oats which appears to have been injured by the heavy rains of the spring.

Buckwheat grain, at one time proverbially connected with New Brunswick has grown better than in years. The short straw, which some years past has prevented the successful harvesting of buckwheat, is not observable this season. The yield will be an average one with extra good straw. Barley, the safe grain to raise in this province, and which has been generally substituted for buckwheat, is in excellent condition.

Harvesting of grain already has been begun in many sections, the ripening having proceeded with great rapidity. Beans are a larger crop than ever before, quite an acreage having been planted. This crop is very susceptible to frost and rust and for that reason has not been planted extensively before.

OBITUARY

Miss Margaret Murphy.

Newcastle, Aug. 24.—The death of Miss Margaret Murphy occurred Monday night, at the age of nearly 80 years. Deceased was the daughter of Irish parents, and was born at Charlottetown, P. E. I., soon after their arrival in this country. Her parents resided for a few years at Bathurst and then removed here where deceased spent the remainder of her long life.

Child of N. P. Marven.

Much sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Marven, of Midland, N. B., in the loss of their only child, Priscilla Irene, aged sixteen months. The little one had been failing for the last two weeks, and on Tuesday evening, August 21st, she passed away. Thursday morning a short service, conducted by Rev. Mr. Ramsey, was held at the home, after which interment was made in the Baptist burial ground.

Henry A. Davidson.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Aug. 24.—Mr. Henry A. Davidson, formerly of Dumfries, York county, passed away last evening at his home near Woodstock, in the 79th year of his age. For a number of years Mr. Davidson represented the parish of Dumfries in the county council. He was an upright and honorable man, and had a host of friends who will learn of his death with regret. He is survived by his widow, two sons and one daughter and three grandchildren.

Only a few days ago Mr. Davidson came to the city to see his cousin, Mr. Wm. Rainsford, and his life long friend, H. B. Rainsford. The late Rev. John Davidson, of Toronto, was a brother of the deceased.

James Dorcas.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, Aug. 24.—Mrs. Andrew Crookshank received a telegram saying that her father, Mr. James Dorcas, was critically ill, and a little later she received another message saying that he had passed away. Mr. Dorcas was a former resident of this city and a few years ago he went to Providence to reside with his daughter.

William Burrill.

William Burrill, contractor and bridge builder, died at his home in Calais, on last Tuesday morning after an illness of several weeks. Death was due to stomach trouble. Mr. Burrill was well known as a mover of buildings and builder of bridge and trestle work. He was fifty-four years of age, and is survived by his wife and family.

FRENCH ARMY STRIKES STRONG BLOW AT ENEMY

Besides Taking Hill 304 and Cunard Wood They Capture Line of Defense Works and Fortified Points.

Paris, Aug. 24.—An attack by the French east of the road between Esnes and Bethincourt enabled them to enlarge their positions north of Dead Man's Hill to the extent of a kilometre. The announcement follows:

"In the Champagne our artillery continued to bombard German defense works. Our patrols penetrated the German lines in the sector between Sousin and St. Hilaire and ascertained that apparatus for the discharge of gas had been destroyed.

"On the left bank of the Meuse at 4.45 o'clock this morning troops with their customary dash attacked the German positions between Avocourt Wood and Dead Man's Hill. All our objectives were attained and in most instances surpassed.

Carried Hill 304.

"A single charge the French carried the formidably organized Hill 304 and also Cunard Wood, to the west of it. They also captured, north of Hill 304, a line of defense works and fortified farms and reached the river south of the Forges Brook. Between Haucourt and Bethincourt the average depth of the advance was more than two kilometres. Prisoners were taken this morning in the course of the action.

"At the same time a vigorous offensive east of the road between Esnes and Bethincourt enabled us to enlarge our positions north of Dead Man's Hill to a depth of about eight kilometres.

"In Lorraine we repulsed easily an enemy attack on small posts near Moncel."

MINISTER DEAD

Charlottetown, P.E.I., Aug. 24.—The death is announced at Bradalbane of Rev. John McColl, pastor of the Presbyterian Church. Rev. Mr. McColl was born in Scotland 41 years ago and was educated at the Presbyterian Theological College, Montreal. Death was primarily due to typhoid fever.

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J. Payne, Tillsonburg, Ont., 97 x 100, shooting Dominion Regal
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J. Payne, Tillsonburg, Ont., 93 x 100, shooting Dominion Regal
J. Black, Winnipeg, Man., 93 x 100. " " Canuck

Open Championship

All shooting from 18 yards

Won by W. Hamilton, Winnipeg, Man., 97 x 100, shooting Dominion Canuck.

Tied for Second M. B. Perdue, Windsor, Ont., 95 x 100, shooting Dominion Regal.

The Earl Grey Trophy

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Won by Jim Payne, Tillsonburg, Ont., 288 x 300, shooting Dominion Regal.

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E. G. White, Ottawa, Ont.,	-	280 x 300
Mr. Ford, Indianapolis,	-	275 x 300

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PASTOR CALLED

Special to The Standard.

Newcastle, Aug. 24—Rev. Mr. Beaton of Blackville has received a call to the Presbyterian congregation of Grand River, C. B., in the Presbytery of Sydney. The call will be considered at the next meeting of the Miramichi Presbytery, in September.

SENATE CHANGES THE PROHIBITION MEASURE

Strikes Out Clause in Bill Forbidding the Circulation of Newspapers Containing Liquor "Ads."

Ottawa, Aug. 24—Two amendments were made in the Senate this week to the Government Bill to promote the application of provincial prohibition measures. By 22 to 13 the Senate voted to strike out the provision forbidding the circulation in any province that passed a law against it of newspapers and other publications containing advertisements of liquor.

By a vote of 20 to 12 the provision was struck out enabling the prosecution at the place liquor was received of a man who sent it from a wet to a dry province contrary to law.

In the discussion Senator Daniel said he thought there was conflict between the clause allowing liquor to be sent to a dry province for other than beverage purposes, and the provision that all liquor advertising might be excluded from a dry province.

As will be seen in our advertising columns, the Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island exhibition, open to all Canada, will be held on the 25th, 26th, 27th and 28th September.

A visit to Charlottetown during the exhibition is well worth the cost. At no time of the year does the Island look so well, and the exhibition is always well worth seeing.

There will be three days' horse racing in connection with the exhibition, eight classes in all. Special attractions in front of the grand stand between the heats of the races.

NORTHUMBERLAND WILL PROBABLY GET PROHIBITION

Special to The Standard.

Newcastle, Aug. 24—The prospects are that Northumberland, one of the two North Shore counties now under the Scott Act, will join the prohibition column this fall. The petition for a vote on the repeal of the Scott Act here has been forwarded to Ottawa this week, containing 2,312 signatures, nearly 200 more than the necessary twenty-five per cent of the registered vote The work has been done under the direction of the Northumberland County Temperance Alliance, E. A. McCurdy, president; Joseph Ander, secretary, with the assistance of the Newcastle Town Improvement League, the Sons of Temperance and nearly all the clergymen of the county.

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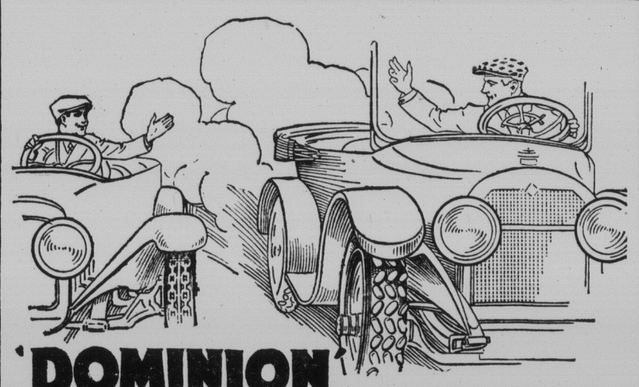

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