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ALLIES SLOWLY CLOSING JAWS OF A MIGHTY VISE

TWO GREAT DRIVES AGAINST THE GERMANS IN FRANCE UNDER WAY

British At One End, French At Other, Press Mightily Against Kaiser's Forces

Relentless Fury Marks Fighting in Both Districts—Nearly Million Men Engaged—Believed Kaiser's Visit is in Hope of Inspiring His Troops

Paris, March 19.—Two great drives against the German army in France are under way, one being conducted by the British, the other by the French.

Things have gone badly for the Germans since the allies began pressing home the jaws of this mighty vise.

RUSSIAN TROOPS PRESS ON; VON HINDENBURG HAS FAILED

Petrograd, March 19.—Continuing their flanking movement against the left wing of General von Eichhorn's army on the East Prussian frontier, Russian troops are advancing rapidly to ward the Baltic.

London, March 19.—A special to the Daily Telegraph from Petrograd says General von Hindenburg's raid in the Suwalki, Lomza and Plock governments, has not only failed to assert Germany's strength but it in very unmistakable manner, has revealed her weakness.

Most of Northern Poland is now clear of Germans. They are moving their best artillery to Western Poland.

London, March 19.—Reuter's Berlin correspondent sends the following: "An official despatch declares untrue the rumors that there has been a fresh Russian occupation of parts of East Prussia."

AUSTRIANS ACTIVE AGAIN

London, March 19.—A Bucharest despatch to the Times says that the Austrians have received reinforcements and have resumed a strong offensive in Bukovina.

THE RUSSIAN ADVANCE

Petrograd, March 19.—The campaign in the east has assumed a new aspect with the penetrating of the northern most point of East Prussia by Russian forces.

BEING REPAIRED

The hopper dredge scow which was damaged recently when she struck a rock in the channel, is on Gregory's blocks for repairs.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stuart, director of meteorological service.

Fair and Cold

New England moderate—Fair tonight and Saturday—moderate—northwest winds

Canadians Wounded At Neuve Chappelle Arrive in England

Ontario Man Tells of Fight in Which Soldiers From Canada Helped Defeat the Germans

Toronto, March 19.—The Globe prints the following story: "The first of the Canadians who were wounded at Neuve Chappelle are arriving in England."

"Last Tuesday (March 9), General Rawlinson (commanding the Fourth Army Corps), issued a printed message to the effect that Neuve Chappelle must be taken."

"The German entanglements were blown to smithereens by our gunners. The men in our battalion were just spoiling for a fight."

Local Training

The 29th Battalion had a route march today parading with full equipment, and carrying on tactical manoeuvres.

Recruiting still proceeds slowly with not more than four or five new names being added to the strength of the 29th each day.

Presentations

His associates on the staff of the Schofield Paper Co., this morning honored Lieut. Wm. J. Brown, of "A" Squadron, R.C.M.F., in the presentation of a military writ.

Before leaving for Amherst with the 6th Mounted Rifles, Captain Grant, conveyed the announcement of his appointment as chaplain to the 56th Battalion of Infantry now in process of mobilization.

Letters From Chas Chase

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Chase have received this week four letters from their son, Charles Chase, who is now in France with the divisional ammunition column.

CANADIAN KILLED

Lieut. Andrews of Hamilton Dies in Action—Doubt About Lieut. Colquhoun

Hamilton, Ont., March 19.—C. H. Andrews of this city, received word last evening from the British War Office, informing him that his son, Lieut. Fred Andrews, was killed in action on March 16.

FREDERICTON NEWS

Fredericton, N. B., March 19.—Cooper's carriage factory was damaged to the extent of about \$800 by fire this morning.

DIED IN TROY, N. Y.

Word reached the city this morning of the death of Miss Gertrude O'Leary, which occurred in Troy, N. Y., today after a week's illness with pneumonia.

ONLY 300 OF GRENIADIER GUARDS LEFT OUT OF 1,100

Colonel and Sixteen Officers Fell—Cameronians Almost Wiped Out—British Losses in Flanders Fighting Very Heavy—338 Officers Killed or Wounded

London, March 19.—Evidence of the heavy British losses in the recent fighting in Flanders is accumulating.

The Cameronians also seemed to have been almost totally wiped out; their lists of killed and wounded were appalling.

A despatch to the Times gives a list of twenty-five British officers killed, whose names had not appeared in the official lists, making a total of 338 officers killed or wounded in the recent fighting.

Turks Say French Battleship Sunk; Probably Report Untrue

Paris Has Word That Dardanelles Duel Had Entirely Different Result and Two Forts Were Silenced

Constantinople, March 19.—(By Wireless to Berlin and London)—An official statement issued from Turkish headquarters says: "Our fleet early today, bombarded the shipping and manœuvring place of torpedo boats west of Thessalonica (on the Black Sea in Crimea, a part of Russia) and set the buildings on fire."

A DIFFERENT STORY

Paris, March 19.—An artillery duel in the Dardanelles between Turkish shore batteries and warships protecting allied mine sweepers lasted from midnight until 2 a. m. yesterday, says an Athens despatch to the Havas Agency.

TALKS MASSACRE BUT TREATS ENGLISH

London, March 19.—The text of an alleged proclamation issued at Smyrna by Rahmy Bey, the Turkish governor threatening to massacre the foreign residents of the city, is given by the Daily Telegraph's Athens correspondent as follows:

NEVER MORE SENATORS

THAN M. P.'S FROM ANY PROVINCE, IS IDEA

Intention of Resolution on Representation Hinted at by Premier

Ottawa, March 19.—The resolution at which Sir Robert Borden hinted yesterday regarding the representation of Prince Edward Island in the house of commons will, it is understood, ask the imperial parliament to provide that at no time the representation of any province in the commons shall be less than in the senate.

FLEET TESTS AT KIEL BUT SHIPS STAY IN

Geneva, via Paris, March 19.—Information received from Kiel is to the effect that all German dreadnoughts in the harbor and canal are undergoing steam and screw trials to test fully their boilers and machinery, while their crews are being carefully drilled.

THE STEAMERS

The Allan liner Corsican sailed this afternoon with a general cargo and a large passenger list for Liverpool.

German Crown Prince Murdered?

Slain by Member of His Suite, Says Denmark Story—Rupprecht of Bavaria Wounded by Shell

New York, March 19.—In a letter communicated to the "Sun" yesterday, the report that the German Crown Prince is dead, which has been removed from time to time, is repeated for the first time by a resident of Copenhagen, who says it is common knowledge in Denmark.

"The German Crown Prince has been murdered," says this correspondent. "He was killed by one of the members of his own suite. Since then the Kaiser has doubled his bodyguard with picked men, doubtless for fear he may have a similar fate."

RUPPRECHT WOUNDED?

London, March 19.—Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, commander of the Bavarian army in the western war theatre, is reported in a news agency despatch from Amsterdam, to have been severely wounded by an exploding shell.

EVIDENCE CONFLICTING

Soldier Cases in Police Court—Trooper Tells of Attack on Him

Conflicting evidence was given in the case against Private O. White of the 29th Battalion, charged with interfering with Policeman Elliott while the latter was in the discharge of his duty, ejecting a drunken man from the Dominion Cafe in Charlotte street on Wednesday night.

VIOLET DAY

Ladies Advance Plans For April 3—Some Sales Already

The splendid home of the Knights of Columbus has been placed at the disposal of the ladies who will conduct Violet Day on April 8 for the benefit of the work of the Playgrounds Association, with its Boys' and Girls clubs and other valuable features of work for the good of the boy and girl life of the city.

LOCAL GREEK GETS HONOR FROM HIS KING

A happy smile was worn today by George Chazaris, fruit dealer and confectioner in Mill street—the reason being the receipt of a distinguished service medal from his native land, bearing the imprint of King Constantine 2, ruler of Greece.

NEARLY 100,000 UNDER ARMS NOW FOR CANADA

Ottawa, March 19.—Sir Robert Borden will present in the house next week the war resolution appropriating a hundred million dollars for the expense of the Canadian Expeditionary Force. It is anticipated that he will make a statement showing the enlistment up to date.

Harry A. Black Has Passed Away in the States

In a message received this morning by Mrs. T. P. Trueman of Princess street was contained the sad news of the death of her brother, Harry A. Black, formerly of St. John, but for the last thirty years a contractor in Boston.