

PROGRESS OF THE WAR

(Continued from page 2.) London, June 10.—The new offensive, begun yesterday morning by the German army, developed with sustained violence on a front of thirty-five miles (approximately 21.3 miles) between Montdidier and the Oise. The enemy, in great force multiplied his effort to drive through our lines, but our troops everywhere sustained the shock along the entire battle line. Stubborn engagements stopped or seriously retarded the enemy thrust. To the left the Germans did not succeed in crossing our covering zone and were strongly held by our troops on the line of Rubescourt, Lefretery and Mortre-Mer which they reached. On the centre the progress of the enemy was more appreciable. After successive attacks, which were murderous for their troops, the Germans succeeded in gaining a foothold in the villages of Ressons Sur Matz and Mareuil, where our units of the front lines continued to offer defence foot by foot. On the right the enemy met with resistance not less energetic, and despite his repeated efforts we hold him on the front comprising Belval, Cunctancourt and Ville.

Paris, June 10.—In connection with the new German offensive opened this morning between Montdidier and Noyon, the point is made that the latest attack is on a front of only 15 to 18 miles, compared with a front of fifty miles for the first offensive this year on March 21 and of 25 miles for the attack along the Aisne on May 27. This is interpreted as having a hopeful aspect and is regarded as an indication of diminution of the power of the attacking masses.

London, June 10.—The new German attack is directed immediately against Compiègne as part of the Campaign against Paris according to virtually unanimous newspaper comment here. Another objective of the new move is assumed to be an attempt to outflank the French line in the Soissons sector. In a counter attack the Germans succeeded in capturing an obuse salient out of our line, with its farthest point at Eggen-sur-math. Their gain consists of a belt of ground 1,200 yards deep, which were able to batter with heavy trench artillery.

MILITARY SERVICE ACT

Leave of Absence

The following is taken from a circular recently issued by the Department of Militia:

The urgent need of men overseas is such that leave of absence can only be granted to men in Category "A," in cases which come within the provisions of Orders-in-Council dated the 20th April, 1918, (P. C. 919), and the 22nd May, 1918, (P. C. 1259).

These Orders-in-Council authorize leave of absence to be granted in extraordinary cases of extreme hardship, such as cases in which the man drafted is the sole support of a widowed mother, an invalid father, or other helpless dependants, or certain other cases in which he is the only remaining son of military age (19 to 45), and other members of the family who have been killed or disabled on service, are now serving overseas, or are in training for overseas, or are under treatment after their return from overseas.

All applications for leave of absence pursuant to these provisions must be made by the man himself at the Depot Battalion after he reports for duty. Such applications cannot and will not be considered either at the headquarters of the military district or at Military Headquarters at Ottawa. Correspondence sent to these headquarters will only result in delay and confusion.

Every man applying for leave of absence must make a statutory declaration in a prescribed form, which may be obtained at the Depot Battalion, where an officer will be especially detailed to deal with such applications.

Local and Other Items

Rev. R. B. McDonald, of Souris, who had spent the winter in the South returned from Norfolk, Virginia, a few days ago. His many friends are pleased to see him home again.

Nineteen survivors of the Norwegian steamer Vinland, sunk Saturday morning by a German submarine 46 miles off Cape May N. J., were landed at Cape May the same afternoon by a torpedo boat destroyer.

An Ottawa despatch of the 6th contained this information: It is announced officially through the office of the chief press censor that the Right Hon. Sir Robert Borden and party, and the Right Hon. W. H. Massey Premier of New Zealand and party have arrived safely in the United Kingdom.

At Quebec on Thursday last, General Mewburn stated that Sir Robert Borden would take to England a complete scheme for the preparation of a French Canadian brigade. He further stated that the French Canadians would be grouped into a brigade, not only in England, but that they would be united at the front also.

Angered by the news of the sinking of the Porto Rico liner, Carolina, by a German submarine, an anti-German demonstration broke out in Ponce last Thursday night. Numerous houses occupied by Germans were stoned and much feeling still exists against Germans or persons who have expressed pro-German sentiments or who in any way have attempted to justify the sinking of the Carolina.

Messrs. H. and S. Lowe, have been awarded the contract for building on Grafton Street East seed warehouse for Messrs Carter & Co., Ltd. It will be a two-story structure built on concrete piers and of frame construction and will be equipped with elevators loading chutes and will have an interior trolley system. Work has just been started and it is expected that it will be completed by October 1st.

To drive in 12,299 seven-eights rivets in nine hours into a standard ship was the feat accomplished at the yards of Workman & Clark at Belfast on the 5th inst. by John Omir, who last week beat the hour record for the United Kingdom. In his work Omir drove in more than a thousand rivets every hour and on two occasions passed the 1,400 mark. In his best minute he drove twenty-six rivets. Omir used about two and half tons of metal.

The machine shop at the dockyard and several small buildings adjoining at Halifax were destroyed by fire at an early hour Friday morning. The building was of fragile construction and soon fell, but while it was burning caused a great illumination and brought alarm to many citizens. While hundreds rushed to the scene of the fire, thousands of others recalling the North End disaster of December 6th last, kept a safe distance. At two o'clock the fire was reported under control.

Washington advices of the 8th says: The second largest wheat crop in the history of the country is in prospect for this year's harvest. The department of agriculture today forecasts a total of 981,000,000 bushels of winter and spring wheat combined, that is only 69,000,000 bushels less than the billion bushel crop the government has hoped for and continuation of the ideal growing conditions such as prevailed during last month might yet produce a harvest of 1,000,000,000 bushels.

Survivors of the S. S. Carolina sunk off the New Jersey coast by a German submarine arrived in Montreal on Saturday in the persons of Carlos Delvalle, a fifth year McGill Medical student, and his parents. The arrival of the U-boat was during dinner, said Mr. Delvalle, and the ship was sunk so quickly that the passengers had no time to collect their valuables. They only had fifteen minutes to take to the boats 150 miles from land. The part that struck Mr. Delvalle most was the callous way in which the German submarine sailors laughed at the victims of their raid.

Local And Other Items

The High Sheriffs for this Province have been appointed for the current year, ending June 1919, as follows: Queen's County, Anthony J. Dougan, Charlottetown, Prince County, Frederick J. E. Wright, Summerside, King's County, Alexander A. McDonald, Georgetown.

The D. G. S. Stanley was hauled up on the Marine Slip on Saturday last. The rudder has been removed and sent to the Steel Works at Trenton to have the new stock welded on. It is expected that the Stanley will be on the slip a week or two after which she may go on the Pictou-Charlottetown route.

Intelligence of the 10th inst. from Washington states that the American steamer Pandar Delroi, 1607 tons was sunk by a submarine, 70 miles of the coast of Maryland, Sunday morning. One of her boats with the Captain and 17 members of the crew is missing. Another boat with 16 men was landed on the Virginia coast.

The sinking of the British freighter Hædrathian of 2,800 tons, 100 miles off the Virginia Capes at 9 o'clock Thursday by a German submarine was announced at Washington Friday night. The entire crew was rescued by the steamer Palmer. The submarine used a torpedo. One member of the British crew was injured.

His Eminence Cardinal Bégin has opened the Red Cross campaign fund at Quebec with a subscription of \$500. The contribution was accompanied by a letter from His Eminence to Mayor Lavigneur as follows: "I deeply regret that the faltering state of my health for some time past did not permit me to attend your meeting last night for the Red Cross. This excellent work of charity deserves every encouragement from the public, and I sincerely hope that the success of the campaign will respond to the present needs. I am sending you herewith my cheque for \$500 as my subscription to this work."

Ship launching and deliveries in the United States made a record during the month of May. 71 hulls, totalling 344,450 dead weight tons, were put into the water. 39 of them were of steel with a capacity of 228,750 tons. The other 32 were wood, equal to 115,700 tons. These May launchings exceed those of April by 26 ships and January by 55 ships. They also exceed the highest monthly average of the United Kingdom made in 1918, with a record of 102,931 tons. They lacked only 570,886 tons of the American launchings for the entire year of 1910, a record pre-war in American shipbuilding.

News from the fisheries indicate that lobsters are very plentiful at the Magdalen Islands, so much that the packers find it difficult to keep pace with the fishermen, who are daily landing large catches. Herring are also reported very plentiful at the Magdalenes. Codfish are scarce but this may be accounted for by the fact that there is still a quantity of ice outside of the banks. Herring are also reported plentiful at Souris and some codfish are also taken in this vicinity. Lobster fishing on the north side of this Province is reported good but from the southern side of the Island the reports indicate that the lobster fishing is quite poor.

The crew of a German submarine was brutal in its treatment of the crew of the Glasgow steamer Ellastos, sunk some days ago. Reuter's Limited learns. The steamer was shelled for three and a half hours. The British captain returned the gunfire until his ammunition was gone and then abandoned the vessel which the submarine crew boarded and sank by bombs. The captain was taken prisoner on board the U-boat. The drinking water in one of the life boats was removed and the Germans took the mast and sail, leaving the British to drift as best they were able. The other life boat which was not molested, was picked up by a schooner near Les Palmes, Canary Island. The first lifeboat suffered great hardships and did not reach Les Palmes until nine days after the other boat.

Local and Other Items

Dealers must have license to sell ice-cream. Every dealer who handles it in bulk or over counter must pay for privilege.

Ottawa advices state that Canada has received a gift from Britain of £1,000,000, to relieve suffering in Canada by the Halifax explosion.

According to Ottawa advices on June 5. Returns received at noon today show 43,136 men of 19 years of age registered for military service within the month of May.

Word has reached here that Mr. Noel H. DeBlois, of DeBlois Brothers, wholesale merchants of this city, who is serving at the front, has been gassed. His many friends will receive the news with deep regret.

The barque Attila and the schooner Ruth Hickman of St. John's Nfld. have been torpedoed while on a passage from Gibraltar to that port, it was announced recently. The crews were saved. Both craft were salt-laden.

The hospital ship Konigin Regentes, having on board the English delegates to the Anglo-German war prisoners conference at The Hague, struck a mine off the English coast. Four firemen perished, but all others were saved by the hospital ship Sinderor.

According to a Washington despatch mine sweepers have picked up a number of mines off the Atlantic coast, the Navy Department announced on June 6. The mines were of German manufacture and undoubtedly were strewn, navy officials said, by the raiding submarines.

The schooner Sarah P. Ayer of Summerside is ashore and is a total loss. She was on her way to the Magdalen Islands with a cargo of salt when she struck on Grand Entry Island. The crew was saved. The vessel and cargo were uninsured. The schooner was owned by Capt. Schurman Cain.

J. Shenton Bigney, for the past thirty-two years mail driver between Londonderry Station and Londonderry, N. S., met instant death in an automobile accident last Friday evening. An automobile in which he was riding turned turtle over the bank near the Flemming bridge, Londonderry. The bank there is about ten or twelve feet high. Bigney was pinned under the car and died instantly. He was fifty-one years of age.

Among the results of the medical examinations at Queens University this spring is the name of Daniel Nicholson as winner of the Faculty Prize (\$25) for the highest marks in the examinations of the fourth year out of a class of 61 students, 12 of whom are graduates in Arts. Mr. Nicholson is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Nicholson, Commercial Cross, King's County, and it is only a little over a year since he returned from France after having spent two years at the front.

The military department wants to remind all officers of the permanent force who are qualified for service in class 1 under Military Service Act, that they must report for duty at once and be prepared to revert to the ranks. An order-in-council to this effect was passed some time ago, but it has been neglected to a certain extent. Decision in such matters is to be left to headquarters. It is stated that the necessary steps will be taken to enforce this order which comes into force immediately.

King George has put into effect a rule going away with all men up to thirty-five years of age in the Royal Households. The King previously had released more than 650 men from the Royal households for military service, of whom 55 have been killed and 75 wounded. In the King's private room in Buckingham Palace hangs a "war service roll," giving particulars of the services of all soldiers drawn from the Royal employ. The places of men who are now to be withdrawn from the Royal Household will be largely filled by women.

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A Belfast steamship torpedoed by a German submarine, while bound from England to reach an Irish port, the other day was badly damaged. Three of the crew were killed by the explosion of the torpedo. Four torpedoes were discharged by the submarine, but the vessel was maneuvered so adroitly by the crew that 3 of them missed their mark. The vessel was attacked at midnight and at day-break it was still afloat, but submerged by the head. The crew who had abandoned her went back on board, although the forward deck was a wash, determined to bring her to port. They succeeded in re-establishing the disabled wireless plant and flashing an urgent call for assistance. As the ship was unmanageable, she would have been an easy prey for a submarine, had there been one in the vicinity. The call for assistance was heard and two tugs came along and towed the steamer safely into port.

The Market Prices.

Table listing market prices for various goods including Butter, Eggs, Fowls, Chickens, Flour, Beef, Pork, Potatoes, Hay, Black Oats, Hides, Calf Skins, Sheep Pelts, Oatmeal, Turnips, Turkeys, Straw, and Ducks.

DIED.

TAYLOR—There passed peacefully away at North Granville on May 23rd, Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, widow of the late James Taylor, in the 91st year of her age.

MARTIN—In this city, June 6th, John Martin, aged 62 years. R.I.P.

McDONALD—At Souris, June 4th, 1918 Isabel McDonald, widow of the late Alex. McDonald, aged 67 years. R.I.P.

STONE—At Cornwall June 7, 1918, John Stone, aged 73 years.

"Connolly Estate Scholarships."

At a recent Meeting of the "Trustees Estate Owen Connolly," a body Corporate Incorporated by Act of the Legislature of Prince Edward Island, it was decided to establish a number of Scholarships, said Scholarships, to be awarded in order of merit to Candidates who have passed a satisfactory examination set by the Educational Committee of the Board of Trustees. This examination will be open to boys doing Entrance work or equivalent in the schools of this Province, who, upon investigation, are found eligible to compete, in accordance with the provisions of the Will of the late Owen Connolly.

All applications stating age, name, name of parents and Post Office address must be sent to the undersigned not later than July 1st, 1918.

MATTHIAS J. SMITH, Secretary Trustees Estate Owen Connolly. Iona, P. E. I., June 7, 1918. June 12, 1918—21

Mail Contract

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, the 19th July, 1918, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed Contract for four years, six times per week. Over Rural Mail Route No. 2, from P.E. Island, from the Postmaster General's pleasure. Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Office Inspector's Office, Charlottetown, P. E. I., June 12, 1918—21

Canadian Government Railways.

Change of Time--P. E. Island District

Commencing MONDAY, June 3rd, 1918, trains will run as follows

WEST: Daily, except Sunday, leave Charlottetown 6.00 a.m., arrive Borden 8.20 a.m.; returning leave Borden 9.00 p.m., arrive Charlottetown 11.20 p.m. Daily, except Sunday, leave Charlottetown 12.50 p.m., arrive Borden 4 p.m.; returning leave Borden 4.15 p.m., arrive Charlottetown 7.05 p.m. Daily, except Sunday, leave Charlottetown 3.30 p.m., arrive Emerald Junction 5.05, connect with train from Borden; arrive Summerside 6.05 p.m., Tignish 9.35 p.m. Daily, except Sunday, leave Charlottetown 4.30 p.m., arrive Emerald Junction 7.10 p.m., leave Emerald Junction 10.00 p.m. on arrival of train from Borden; arrive Summerside 11.00 p.m. Daily, except Sunday, leave Tignish 5.15 a.m., arrive Summerside 10.30 a.m., leave Summerside 11.20 a.m., arrive Charlottetown 1.40 p.m. Daily, except Sunday, leave Tignish 9.30 a.m., arrive Summerside 12.35 p.m., leave Summerside 1.30 p.m., arrive Emerald Junction 2.55 p.m., Borden 4.00 p.m., connecting with second trip of Car Ferry for Mainland points. Daily, except Sunday, leave Summerside 6.30 a.m., arrive Emerald Junction 7.30 a.m., connect with train for Borden and arrive Charlottetown 10.20 a.m. Daily, except Sunday, leave Borden 6.20 a.m., arrive Emerald 7.20, Summerside 9.20 a.m., arrive Charlottetown 1.40 p.m. Daily, except Sunday, leave Borden 4.15 p.m., arrive Summerside 6.05 p.m., Tignish 9.35 p.m. Daily, except Sunday, leave Borden 9.00 p.m., arrive Summerside 11.00 p.m. Daily, except Sunday, leave Emerald 5.20 p.m., arrive Borden 6.20 p.m.

EAST: Daily, except Sunday, leave Charlottetown 6.45 a.m., arrive Mt. Stewart 8.35 a.m., Georgetown 11.20 a.m., Souris 14.15 a.m.; returning leave Souris 1.15 p.m., Georgetown 1 p.m., Mt. Stewart 4.15 p.m., arrive Charlottetown 5.50 p.m. Daily, except Sunday, leave Elmira 5.25 a.m., Souris 6.45 a.m., Georgetown 8.35 a.m., Mt. Stewart 8.35 a.m., arrive Charlottetown 9.50 a.m.; returning leave Charlottetown 3.05 p.m., arrive Mt. Stewart 4.15 p.m., Georgetown 6.00 p.m., Souris 6.05 p.m., Elmira 7.20 p.m.

SOUTH: Daily, except Saturday and Sunday, leave Murray Harbor 6.20 a.m., arrive Charlottetown 10.15 a.m.; returning leave Charlottetown 3.30 p.m., arrive Murray Harbor 7.25 p.m. Saturday ONLY, leave Murray Harbor 7.20 a.m., arrive Charlottetown 10.05 a.m.; returning leave Charlottetown 4 p.m., arrive Murray Harbor 6.45 p.m. District Passenger Agent's Office, Charlottetown, P. E. I. May 29—41

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