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GREAT C. P. R. STRIKE AVERTED

RUMANIANS LOSE MORE POINTS IN DOBRUDJA FIGHTING GERMANS FAIL TO SHAKE FRENCH FROM NEW GAINS

C. P. TRAINMEN AND COMPANY HAVE REACHED AN AGREEMENT

Labor Department Informed
There Will Be No
Strike.

ALL NIGHT CONFERENCE

Understanding Reached an
Pact Will Be Signed in
Few Hours.

[Canadian Press.]
Winnipeg, Oct. 25.—The C. P. R. trainmen's strike has been declared off, the men and company having reached an agreement.

At noon, Grant Hall, D. C. Coleman and Charles Murphy, who conducted negotiations on behalf of the C. P. R. in the final stages, came from the conference room and conferred privately for a short time. Then they rejoined the men's leaders, and at 12:30 the gathering broke up. It was stated immediately on behalf of both parties that an agreement had been reached and a strike averted.

Orders cancelling the strike called for by the afternoon have been sent out by the leaders of the employees' organization. It is understood no statement will be issued on terms of settlement until late this afternoon or tomorrow morning.

AGREEMENT REACHED.

[Canadian Press.]
Ottawa, Oct. 25.—There will be no C. P. R. strike, according to advice received by the labor department this afternoon, the two sides having come to an agreement which is expected to be executed in a few hours. This, of course, will avert the strike, which was timed for 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The department has received no particulars of the settlement.

ACCEPT PERISHABLE FREIGHT.

[Canadian Press.]
Winnipeg, Oct. 25.—After 11 o'clock it was stated by the C. P. R. officials that there would probably be no statement to make on the result of the conference for an hour or so, and possibly not until the afternoon. It is understood that the company has accepted perishable freight for shipment from Winnipeg.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 48; lowest, 34.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 47; lowest, 39.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND COOLER.

Forecast.
Today—Strong winds and gales from the southwest and west; local showers, but partly fair.
Thursday—Fresh to strong west to northwest winds; fair and cooler.
Temperatures.
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Low. Weather.

NORSE-HUN CRISIS GRAVE; NATIONS CLOSE TO BREAK; SUBS SINK NORSE SHIPS

London Cables Say Situation Between Norway and Germany Over Submarine Operations Is Very Serious—Five More Norwegian Steamers Sent To the Bottom in the Baltic.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 25.—12:15 p.m.—The sinking by German submarines of five more Norwegian steamships, valued at about 5,000,000 kroner, is reported in an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Christiania.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 25.—The correspondent of the Daily News at Copenhagen says:

"There seems to be no doubt that the present Norwegian German conflict must be regarded as very serious. According to the Christiania paper, Norsk Tidende, nothing less than hysterical excitement has caught the population of the Norwegian capital. This paper, which is supposed to be in close connection with the Government, expresses the hope that the wild excitement will not spread over the country."

News of the loss of four British and four Norwegian steamers, and one Norwegian bark was made public by Lloyds yesterday.

SHIPPING SHARES DROP.

[Canadian Press.]
Christiania, Oct. 25.—Shipping shares dropped considerably on the Christiania Exchange today. The steamers Alva and Rising and the schooner Theodore, together with the Swedish schooners Antoinette and Henriette are among the latest submarine victims, adds the dispatch.

The Tidens Tegn of Christiania states that one boat with six men from the Norwegian steamer Ravn reported sunk by a German submarine in the Arctic Ocean. The Norwegian bark Athene, a lonely party of the Russian coast after drifting thirteen hours.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 25.—German submarines are waging a persistent war on Norwegian shipping. In the meantime, according to the Exchange Telegraph Company's Copenhagen correspondent, the Norwegian Government is still discussing the form of its reply to Germany's protest against Norway's stand with regard to submarines in Norwegian waters and sensational rumors are afloat concerning the relations between Norway and Germany.

The Norwegian Government organ, referring to these rumors, according to the correspondent, says it may be assumed that the German protest is so couched as not to bear the character of an ultimatum.

THE NORWEGIAN MERCHANT SHIPPING

Gazette states that five German submarines have established a regular blockade of the Norwegian south coast.

The "Slavenger" correspondent says the Norwegian bark Athene, which has arrived at Egersund, reports that on Sunday she saw four Norwegian steamers set on fire by a German submarine.

The dispatch does not dare to put to sea again, says the correspondent.

WAR IS GAME TO TOMMY, BUT BUSINESS TO FRITZ

These puffs of smoke high in the air resemble nothing so much as a flock of geese. Today there are no enemy aviators on the British side, for Boelcke and other German stars rarely visit enemy country.

A puff of rubbish which once was Fricourt is about four miles from the German lines. Today we lunched there in the open, undisturbed by Boelcke shells or aerial bombs. Later I saw some aerial observation.

SPECIAL MEANING TO STATEMENT OF GREY

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 25.—In view of German reports of negotiations with Russia for a separate peace, special significance is found also in the Tommies in trenches. Some Scotsmen stationed in the front line, on a cold afternoon, hunted around for wood to build a fire, there being no charcoal handy. An English officer on duty at their left saw the smoke and asked the Scots: "Aren't you looking for trouble?" They thought not. A few minutes later the Germans began to "strafe" the trench. Finally one shell exploded just in front of the parapet.

VERDUN SMASH SEVERE BLOW AT HUN PRESTIGE

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 25.—Although the French communiqué announcing the recapture by the French of the Fort of Douaumont and the Haumont quarries, and the smashing of the German line over a four and one-third mile front north of Verdun, reached London too late for comment in the early editions, all the morning papers comment exultantly in special late editions.

STEAMER ARRIVALS.

Montreal, Oct. 25.—Arrived: Steamers Saturnia, from Glasgow; Corinthian, from London; Bengore Head, from Belfast; Corinthian, from Avonmouth.

First Steps in Medical Education



Some of the victims of Tuesday's initiation proceedings, conducted by Western "Med." Full war paint is shown, and the "braves" smile heroically in spite of the torture inflicted.

MACKENSEN CAPTURES SEVERAL MORE POINTS IN DOBRUDJA DRIVE

Petrograd and Bucharest Report Evacuation of Tchernavoda and a Further Retirement From Transylvania Border—Germans Claim Capture of Vulcan Pass.

[Canadian Press.]
Petrograd, Oct. 25.—Via London, 2:30 p.m.—The Rumanians and Russians have evacuated the Danube town of Tchernavoda, in Dobrudja, the war office announced today.

The statement says: "Field Marshal von Mackensen's army is continuing its attack all along the Dobrudja front. The Russo-Rumanian position at Lake Tachaul, near the Black Sea coast, about twelve miles north of Constanza, also has been evacuated."

A FURTHER RETIREMENT.

Bucharest, Oct. 25.—Via London, 1:34 p.m.—A further retirement by Rumanian forces on the Transylvanian front is announced by the war office. The Rumanians near Predeal and Kimpolung, the statement says, were forced to fall back a little.

BERLIN OFFICIAL REPORT.

Berlin, Oct. 25.—The official account of operations on the Russian and Galician fronts issued here today is as follows:

"Army Group of Prince Leopold: A Russian gas attack on the Shara failed. An attack of Russian battalions near Kolostov, northwest of Lutsk, was without success whatever."

"Army Group of Archduke Charles Francis: In the southern part of the Carpathian forests there were minor successes."

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ITALIANS LINK UP WITH THE ENTENTE ON MACEDONIAN LINE

Paris, Oct. 25.—Noon.—Italian cavalry from Southern Albania formed a junction yesterday with cavalry and artillery from the Entente forces on the Macedonian front, the war office announced today.

This region has been under control of Greek officers. The Greek representatives were required to withdraw from the towns taken over by the Italians. There has been no accurate information heretofore as to the extent of the Italian advance, but it is evident from today's French announcement that this movement, as well as the extension westward of the Macedonian front, has been carried forward more rapidly than previous advances had indicated.

The Entente Allies now have an unbroken front across the Balkan peninsula, from the Aegean Sea, at the mouth of the Struma River, to the Adriatic at Aviona, a distance of 250 miles.

S. S. FRANKFIELD SUNK.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 25.—2:15 p.m.—The steamer Frankfield was sunk, Lloyds shipping agency announces.

JOFFRE HOLDS MEUSE GAIN AGAINST SEVERAL ATTACKS; FOE FAILED AT ALL POINTS

FRENCH STRUCK LIKE LIGHTNING AT GERMAN LINE

Huns Were Swept Away Like
Straw Before the
Wind.

A GALLANT OPERATION

Trench After Trench Cleared
Up By Neville's Superb
Dash.

[Canadian Press.]

Paris, Oct. 24.—11:45 p.m.—Delayed.—Verdun, long lost sight of, sprang suddenly and unexpectedly today into the forefront of the public mind, which exclusively had been directed towards the battle on the Somme front.

Gen. Nivelle for weeks past has been watching the German movements like a lynx, carefully calculating the effect of every withdrawal of troops for transfer to the Somme and eastern fronts. At the same time, he quietly made his preparations, and when he judged the Germans had thinned their defenses to the danger point, he struck like lightning. The result was one of the most brilliant operations of the campaign.

The Germans, who yesterday were pressing close upon the inner line of defenses at Forts Souville and Tavanne, have now been driven beyond the outer defenses of the Fort Douaumont-Vaux line. Vaux Fort remains in possession of the Germans, but the French line extends beyond it on the north at Vaux village and Pumin wood, and also on the south of it at Damloup battery and Chenois wood, from both of which positions it can readily be attacked.

Swept Trenches Clean.

The French artillery preparation was brief but intense, and was over before the German commanders had time to bring up reinforcements. If they were available, The assaulting French waves caught them before the Germans recovered from their surprise, and swept over trench after trench, sending prisoners in all lines to the rear.

The French losses were very light, it is believed, even lighter than any recorded in the attacks on the Somme front.

News of the success has caused tremendous public enthusiasm here, and this is all the greater because of the general impression that Verdun was over and done with, and that both sides were contenting themselves with holding what they had won. Today's operation, proving that the French could strike a smashing blow at Verdun, while carrying on an extended offensive on the Somme, has greatly increased public confidence and gone far to lessen the depression caused by the loss of Constanza.

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USUAL GERMAN LIES ON AERIAL COMBATS

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 25.—The British Admiralty issued last night an announcement stating that there was no truth in the German Admiralty's account of the battle of German and British aeroplanes off the coast of the English Channel on Monday afternoon. The German Admiralty asserted that two German seaplanes defeated a hostile squadron of three hyperplanes, and that one hyperplane was shot down by a German.

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Germans Repulsed by French in Effort to Recapture Haumont Quarry and Damloup Works Lost Tuesday to French.

[Canadian Press.]
Berlin, Oct. 25.—Via wireless to Sayville.—The war office announced today that an attack made on the Verdun front by the French yesterday gained ground for them. French assaults on the Somme front were without success.

COURTLAND OFFICER SERIOUSLY WOUNDED

[Canadian Press.]
Paris, Oct. 25.—5:45 a.m.—The French attack at Verdun apparently took the Germans completely by surprise, and not at one point did they succeed in stopping the impetuous rush. In three hours the French recaptured ground to gain which required months of patient effort by the Germans, including such positions as Douaumont fort and Thiaumont work, which in the past were won and lost repeatedly.

The official French account of the battle, every word of which was weighed carefully, does not say the German line was forced back, but that it was "burst." Later details of the French withdrawal of troops for transfer to the Somme and eastern fronts, at the same time, he quietly made his preparations, and when he judged the Germans had thinned their defenses to the danger point, he struck like lightning. The result was one of the most brilliant operations of the campaign.

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Four Persons Injured and Considerable Property Damage Done.

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