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Government Takes Action on Account of Food Problem Rendered Acute by Military Operations—Present Measures Only Partial—Germans May Attack Dvinsk.

Petrograd, Sept. 9.—Authoritative statements issued here dealing with the loss of Riga say that although competent military authorities do not consider Petrograd endangered, yet the approach of the war zone to the capital necessitates decisive measures for the government of the city. There is a new administration will be formed.

Violent Storms Stop Italians But Cannonade Continues and Raiding Parties Snatch Minor Positions From Enemy.

Udine, Sept. 9.—Bad weather is interfering with operations on the Isonzo front. Violent storms have transformed peaceful streams into torrents, torrents into rivers, and plains into lakes of mud. Mist and fog shut off visibility even at short distances, despite the use of searchlights by day.

RIOT IN FORD CITY

Police Escort New Priest to Church Thru Mob of Thousand People, Using Clubs—Riot Act Read and Soldiers Called to Keep Order.

By a Staff Reporter. Windsor, Ont., Sept. 9.—Bishop Fallon's announcement that Rev. Father F. X. Laurendeau would be installed as parish priest of the Church of Our Lady of the Lake, Ford City, even if civil authority had to be appealed to, was verified Saturday when a squad of Walkerville, Ford City, East County and provincial police, acting under orders of the attorney-general to Crown Attorney Todd of Essex County, forced the doors of the presbytery after "hacking their way" with clubs thru a mob of three thousand people, and left the pastor safely in the parsonage. The arrest of nine parishioners, including their leader, Dr. St. Pierre, the injury more or less severely of nearly 20 people, chiefly women, two police officers and three men arrested, the reading of the riot act by Mayor Montreuil amid an even greater riot because he read it in English rather than in French; the rescue of a French tricolor from the church by parishioners, who unfurled it amid wild cheers from the verandah of the presbytery after the church had been captured by the police, were a few of the features of the most riotous occasion in the history of Ford City.

NEELY ACCUSES SIFTON "OF RIGHT-ABOUT-FACE"

Member for Humboldt Says Sir Clifford Was Opposed to Conscription and Urged Opposition to Bill.

Special to The Toronto World. Chatham, Ont., Sept. 9.—Dr. D. B. Neely, M.P., Humboldt, Sask., speaking at the Liberal nomination for the new Kent riding on Saturday, when Archie McCoig was chosen as federal candidate, paid his respects to Sir Clifford Sifton, and wanted to know the reasons for Sir Clifford's change of front on conscription since last June. Of course, the purchase of the C. N. R. had come up since that date. He did not suggest any connection, but left the proposition without solution.

NEWSPAPERS OF FINLAND UNDER STRICTEST CENSORSHIP

London, Sept. 9.—The Russian provisional government has decided to apply stringent measures to the Finnish newspapers, according to a Helsinki dispatch today, to the Exchange Telegraph Company. Several newspapers have been suppressed and the military censor has decided that only the official telegrams on war operations shall be published.

Thousands of Mines Adrift Off Norway and Denmark

London, Sept. 9.—Thousands of drifting mines have been observed along the west coast of Norway and Denmark, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen today. Six children were killed on Saturday by a mine which drifted on a beach along the Jutland shore.

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TOWARD TRUFRANCHISE BILL UNDER CLOSURE

Government Serves Notice After Turbulent Scenes in House.

PUGSLEY AGGRESSIVE

Threat to "Name" Him Restores Order—Munition Orders Discussed.

By a Staff Reporter. Ottawa, Sept. 9.—Jealous of the growing fame of the Dominion senate as a national debating arena, the house of commons on Saturday attempted a spectacular performance in connection with the preliminary skirmish between the two parties over the federal franchise bill. The performance was not altogether successful. The eminent senate orator, Hon. Wm. Pugsley, was in excellent form, but his support was none of the best, and Mr. Speaker Rhodes ruled against an iron hand when the struggle was over shortly before midnight the Liberals were served with notice of closure, and the vote of the franchise bill will be taken at the next sitting of the house. This will limit all speeches in the coming debate to twenty minutes apiece.

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FRENCH ADVANCE ON MEUSE FIERCE ENGAGEMENT RESULTS

Allies Carry Chame Wood With Crest Dominating Bois Des Caucieres—Make Gain on Two Mile Front, Taking Eight Hundred Prisoners—Germans Fail in Heavy Attacks.

Paris, Sept. 9.—Against the French and the Germans are engaged in extremely heavy fighting in the Verdun sector, with the Germans trying to recoup their losses of the end of last week on the right bank of the Meuse, but with General Petain's forces holding them back almost everywhere and covering the grounds with their dead. In the sector of the Bois des Caucieres, Sunday morning, following unsuccessful attacks Saturday night, in the sector of the Bois des Caucieres, returned to the fray with renewed vigor, especially around Hill 344. At some points French trenches were captured by the Germans, but were later they were driven out and the French line was entirely re-established. In the fighting around the Bois des Caucieres Saturday night, the Germans left nearly 1,000 dead on the ground before the French positions.

SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN FAILS TO STARVE BRITAIN

Country Has No Longer Cause for Anxiety Over Food Supply.

London, Sept. 9.—Baron Rhonda, the food controller, in an interview with the London correspondent of The Amsterdam Handelsblad, declares that the submarine campaign is no longer causing anxiety regarding England's bread supply. "In one respect," remarked the food controller, "the submarine campaign is a blessing. It has acted as a stimulus to cultivation, that will in a year the United Kingdom will be practically independent of imports, so far as the chief foodstuffs are concerned."

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LITTLE GIRL KILLED WHEN HIT BY MOTOR

Beatrice Harding, Aged Six, Ran in Front of Auto on Yonge Street.

Another death was added to the long list of fatal motor accidents that have occurred this year when six-year-old Beatrice Harding of 5 Reynolds place was almost instantly killed at the corner of Yorkville avenue and Yonge street. The accident happened early in the evening when the little girl, in attempting to cross the road from the east side of Yonge street, ran in front of a motor car driven by Fred Strong of 11 Charles street. Strong was a chauffeur for the Deer Park Garage, and after the police had examined the motor car and heard stories of the child's eye-witnesses as to the cause of the fatality they did not detain the driver. Dr. F. S. Minns of 14 East Bloor street, attended the child. The

Driver of the Automobile Attempted to Pass Behind a Freight Train Near Port Credit and Was Struck by the Hamilton Express.

Passing behind an eastbound freight train over the railway crossing at Brown's Line, four miles east of Port Credit, an automobile was struck by the Toronto to Hamilton C. P. R. Flyer at about 8:40 yesterday morning, with the result that three people were instantly killed and two injured.

The names of the dead are: MRS. AGNES BOYD, aged 41, wife of Isaac Boyd, 124 Cooper avenue. J. T. WOOD, aged 28, of Cobalt. EDDIE WOOD, aged 27, his wife. The injured are: RICHARD BOYD, aged 24, 124 Cooper avenue. JOSEPH MILROY, aged 22, 124 Cooper avenue. The party were on the way to Hamilton to visit the Boyds' mother when the accident occurred. Richard Boyd was at the wheel, with Milroy at his side. Mr. and Mrs. Woods, with Mrs. Boyd, were in the tonneau of the machine. On approaching the crossing the car slowed up to let the freight train go by. The freight observed the view of the next track, and when the motorist proceeded behind the last car of the freight train they were not made aware of the rapid approach of the flyer until it was right upon them.

Milroy, as soon as he saw the passenger train, seized his sister, Mrs. Boyd, jumped to the footboard, and tried to drag her from the car, while Richard Boyd jammed on the brakes in a vain attempt to avoid the collision. The flyer struck the car broadside on and Boyd and Milroy were hurled over the front by the impact. Mr. Woods and his wife were carried along in the car for a distance of 30 yards and then hurled into the ditches on opposite sides of the track. Mrs. Boyd, with her hands clutching the side of the car in a death grip, was carried along by the momentum of the slowing train for a distance of about fifty yards.

The tragedy was witnessed by a party of motorists who were following closely behind the Boyds and who rendered what assistance they could. Boyd and Milroy were only stunned momentarily and soon recovered consciousness.

The bodies of the dead were placed in a wagon that had been requisitioned and removed from the scene of the accident to the undertaking parlors of Munroe and Smith at Cooksville, where Dr. S. H. English of Cooksville was called. He arranged for an inquest to be opened this morning. County Constable Rutledge of Port Credit, was early at the crossing and commenced an electric alarm bell which would ring in the case of an accident crossing in a short distance west of the Etobicoke River and is protected by an electric alarm bell which would ring when a train approaches from the west also, and there would be no special warning of the flyer as it would, if working, be continuing to ring some time before for the freight train.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood were a nephew and niece of the Boyds and were riding them. They intended to return to Cobalt, where Mr. Wood had a butcher shop, last night. The car belonged to Richard Boyd, who was driving. The bodies will be brought to Toronto, for burial, by Wm. Spears undertaker, after the inquest. The crew of the C. P. R. flyer were: Engineer, James Martin, 49 O'Hara avenue, Brantford; Conductor, Wm. Toronto; Conductor, R. A. Walker, 125 Margueretta street.