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CH SMASH GERMAN FRONT ASTRIDE THE AVE

Givenchy Still Remains With British Despite Utmost Efforts of Enemy

German Command is Making Prodigal Expenditure of Man Power.

NEW BATTLE DEVELOPS

ritish Troops Fight With Homeric Valor Against Tremendous Odds.

ritish Headquarters in France ril 18.-The Germans this morning eloped an attack on a long front ween Givenchy and Robecq, pressng hard towards Givenchy.

The enemy is apparently drawing n fresh reserves. In the course of he great battle more than thirty ny divisions have so far appeared, nd it is certain the German command is exploiting every success by the most prodigal expenditure of manpower and not counting the cost.
In the great German attack of yesterday our troops fought with Homerical rador against tremendous numerical resistible manner in the bettle bestible manner in the battle beresistible manner in seen Givenchy Forest and Nieppe

ween Givenchy Forest and Nieppe now progressing.

Gains Quite Limited.

For nearly a week the German gains in the battle of Flanders have been limited to the smallest extent. It has been a terribly costly advance at certain points. If he measures the extent of his gains by the price paid he certainly must be looking gloomily at the hold contours from Cassel to Messines which he is practically bound to attempt to break thru the Beltian front south of the Houtbulst.

ian front south of the Houthulst brest was probably inspired by the covery of our withdrawal from the sechendaele region and a conse-nt assumption that there must be ne disorganization at this part of

the attack has been repeated today, enemy, doubtless mortified, being leated by about half his own num-. The Belgians in the past week's truggle have been more purely Lat-te infantrymen than might have been

pparently the tanks, armored cars cavalry have not been in action

We are now down to a sheer contest man-power, a swaying, ceaseless At the moment the prospect assur-

justifies confidence in this ret. The appearance of French batthe ranks of the army which the mans are counting on cutting off on the alies cannot be pleasing to the enemy. The Germans seem to be still finding difficulty in getting and their batteries and maintaining four four men ARRESTED mmunition supports to all parts of the advance, altho they have heavy rations in other parts.

FRENCH DECORATIONS

adian Associated Press Cable. London, April 18.—The following French decorations have been conred on Canadians: Commander of Legion of Honor, Brigadicr La-Croix d'Officier, Surgeon-Gened troops, who holds the D. S. O., gaged in some useful occupation. and was thrice mentioned in de-patches; Croix de Guerre, General

SAYS U-BOAT WARFARE HAS BEEN EFFECTIVE

man Minister of Navy Also Claims That American Destroyers Have Failed in Their Object.

Amsterdam, April 18.-Vice-Admiral von Capelle, German minister of the navy, discussing submarine warfare before the main committee of the reichstag, declared that the new boat construction exceeded the osses and that the effectiveness of abmarines had increased. He uoted figures to prove his conten-on that the U-boat sinkings were ce or six-fold the tonnage of the British construction.

The minister declared that the erican destroyers, "which had n so much talked about," had fail-

FRENCH MAKE ADVANCES HEAVY ATTACKS FAIL IN IMPORTANT SECTORS AGAINST BRITISH LINE

Portion of Senecat Wood is Captured and Line Carried to Outskirts of Castel---Progress East of Avre River.

Paris, April 18.—The French forces in the region of Amiens have captured a portion of the Senecat Wood and made advances against the Germans on several other sectors, according to the official communication issued by the war office tonight. The text of the communication follows: "We have attacked various enemy positions on the Avre on a front of four kilometres between Thermes and Mailly-Raineval.

"East of the Avre we have made progress and west of it we have taken the greater part of the Senecat Wood and carried our line to the outskirts of Castel. Further south we reached the slopes west of the "The number of prisoners taken by us exceeds, up to the present, five hundred, of whom fifteen are officers. We captured several machine

"It is confirmed that an enemy raid last night, east of Caurieres Wood, was deadly for our assailants. We found about forty German bodies on the ground. We took twenty prisoners, including one officer.

of public health department.

be engaged in useful employment,

by the board of education pending a re-

York County board of the Ancient Or-

esolution against conscription for Ire-

The annual meeting of the committee

Wesley Building, with Rev. Dr. S. D. Chown presiding,

Canadian returned officers touring the United States are given great reception everywhere, according to message from Lieut, J. H., Creighton.

TO PRAY FOR ANIMALS.

this city will consecrate next Sunday to prayer for dumb animals engaged

in the war. Bishop Chauncey Bunce Brewster of Connecticut has composed

a special prayer which will be in-

Church. The prayer follows: "We be-seech thee to hear us, Good Lord, that

it may please thee to show thy com-

passion upon horses and other dumb animals suffering in this war."

MORE "FURLOUGH" MEN.

Party Wil Arrive at Eight O'clock

ded in the litany of the Episcopal

on Methodist transfers takes place

Special Message From Minister of Agriculture Urging Planting of Wheat.

Ottawa, April 18.—The imperative necessity for an increased wheat crop to escape from custody, this year to avert famine is the sub-

ties thousands of our farmers are up against, thru the trouble they have in getting suitable farm labor. There today, who is physically fit to work.
The law against idleness should be enforced the same as any other law. With such help as is to hand, but better planning and more co-operation

the deficiency.
"The news that comes daily of that awful, grim struggle now being fought in France and Flanders, brings home to us clearly and unmistakably this fact—that after almost four years of war human liberty is still in the bal-

they must, to the full limit of our power be sent. Their places at home man-power, a swaying, cease at nome attack and repulse, with the vital istic carried in the anxious problem of whether our powers of endurance can wear down the repeated buil rushes of vastly superior numbers before a decision is reached.

At the moment the prospect assurant this reached are now represented by those who remain. Their places at nome must be taken by those who remain. "Despite the difficulties, we must produce more food than we have ever done before. Set apart all your land fit for growing crops, and plant as much wheat as you can. Let me add not be taken by those who remain. under cultivation for another crop as possible and thus incur acreage for next year. It will be needed then just as much as now."

UNDER NEW ORDER

EARNED BY CANADIANS They Will Have to Show Whether They Are Engaged in Uses ful Occupations.

al Foster, Brigadier Macdougall of were arrested last night on a charge the forestry; Croix Chevaller, Col. of a breach of an order-in-council george Beauchamp, medicals; Major which reads that everybody from the Bobert Charles Manning, Royal Engiof a breach of an order-in-council formerly of the Canadian ages of sixteen to sixty must be en-

The men taken into custody were Arthur Maund, William Orr, aged 23, 116 Hogarth ns; and Flying Captains Jo- avenue; Dan Scullion, aged 23, 301 Cinquars, George Cooke, Thomas Church street; William Gibson, aged Lee, Joseph Girard, Oliver 36, 143 Berkeley street; and Norman Sickle, Sergts. Thomas Kennedy, lames Foster and John Macaulay. Davis, aged 39, of 152 First avenue. The last three mentioned men were found by Plainclothesmen Ward and the last three mentioned men were found by Plainclothesmen Ward and the last three mentioned men were found by Plainclothesmen ward and the last three mentioned men were found by Plainclothesmen ward and the last three mentioned men were found by Plainclothesmen ward and the last three mentioned men were found by Plainclothesmen ward and the last three mentioned me The last three mentioned men were found by Plainclothesmen Ward and Scott, of West Dundas street station, playing pool in Orr's poolroom. The three men were unable to give satis-

factory answers to the police officers. William Orr, who gives his address as 116 Hogarth avenue, is alleged to have kept a room in the Russell House and is said to have been doing an ex-tensive trade in selling liquor to soldiers. A search carried out by the a large quantity of liquor stored behind one of the doors in the room. All four men will appear today on a charge of not being engaged in suitable occupations.

NEWFOUNDLAND STRIKE SETTLED.

Germans Begin Hard Fighting Along La Bassee Canal, After Long Bombardment.

LARGE FORCES ENGAGED

Seventy-Five Thousand Riflemen Hurl Themselves Against Stubborn Defence.

and progress and west of it we have cat Wood and carried our line to the we reached the slopes west of the present, filed at the slopes west of the west in the correspondent visited the neighborhood of Mount Kemmel at 1½ o'clock this morning, the British artillery was sending back its thunderous answer to the German challenge, and the battle was in full swing.

The attack between Givenchy and St. Venant began at 9 o'clock after a heavy bombardment by the enemy artillery lasting five hours.

Hard fighting developed immediately along most of the line. It was especially intense about Givenchy and in the Robecq-Locon sector. The British were facing at least 75,000 rifemen, who were supported by great numbers of guns and from 50,000 to 60,000 other troops, who go to make up the complement for the infantry. The defending forces at Givenchy had sustained numerous desperate attacks and had held their ground uring the early hours of the battle. At Hinges Hill, east of Locon, where the German lines bulged out close to the canal, the enemy made a particularly determined effort to get across the waterway. Twice the German infantry attacked here, each time complement for two get across the waterway. Twice the German infantry attacked here, each time complement for two get across the waterway. Twice the German infantry attacked here, each time complement for two get across the waterway. Twice the German infantry attacked here, each time complement for two gets and the battle. At the complement for the infantry.

The defending forces at Givenchy and in the Robecq-Locon sector. The British artillery was sending back its thunderous answer to the German beauty by clock this morning, the British artillery was sending back its thunderous answer to the German theallenge, and the bact was in full sw ing forward in four waves. In one of these drives they succeeded in get-ting some bridges across the canal, but the only Germans who crossed Dr. Hastings makes reply to allegations by Controller McBride regarding conduct First contingent men on furlough and were those who ran over and sura party of invalided soldiers are warmly welcomed by friends and citizens.

Four men are arrested under terms of IRISH PARTIES FISE

Nationalists. O'Brienites. Sinn der of Hibernians unanimously passes a Feiners, Laborites and Clericals Unite to Oppose Conscription.

ENEMIES BECOME FRIENDS

Lord French With Staff Arrives in Dublin-Situation Grows Threatening.

Reports from Webbwood, north On-tario, state that Fred and Joe Whissel have been arrested in connection with the shooting of a Dominion policeman. London, April 19.—The leaders of he Nationalists in Ireland, including A deputation of London citizens protests to Sir Henry Drayton, power controller, against the threatened cutting off domestic service by the London Electhe Rednondites, who are now led by John Dillon, the Sinn Feiners, O'Brienites, Laborites and Clericals are united in their determination to resist con-About ten first contingent men on furlough, with their wives, and about fifty
other women and children, are expected
to arrive in Toronto from England this
morning.

Toronto's waterfront property, valued

in their determination to resist conscription "by the most effective means
at our disposal," which is the wording
of a resolution passed at a meeting of
bishops at Maynooth yesterday.
For the first time in many years the
Nat.onalists met the Dublin Sinn
Feiners and their older enemies, Wil-

Toronto's waterfront property, valued at \$75,000,000, is wholly lacking in adequate fire protection, according to evidence revealed at a fire enquiry held yesterday. iam O'Brien and Timothy while Labor representatives, who have not been very friendly to the Nationalists in recent years, were also pre-sent at the conference, which was held under the chairmanship of the lord Bill Billious will appear in police court this morning to explain the presence in his traveling bags of several gallons of alcohol, being the first to appear under the new regulations. mayor. The Sinn Feiners were loudly cheered when they arrived at the Man-

sion House.
The outcome of the conference was In a letter read before the arbitrators in the Canadian Northern Railway proceedings yesterday, it was stated that the Ontario Government had made no agreement regarding land grants.

The outcome of the conference was that a committee composed of John Dillon, Edward De Valera, Timothy Healy and a labor representative, with the lord mayor of Dublin, was appointed to attend the bishops' meeting at Maynooth, where the resolu-tion quoted was passed.

District Fire Chief McLean gave it as his opinion at an inquest last night into the circumstances surrounding the death by fire of Herbert and Gladys Ellicock, that fire protection would have to be taught in the schools. The meeting also directed that pub-lic meetings should be held in the parish next Sunday at which a pledge Rev. Dr. Arthur J. Brown, secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, speaks at a banquet of the Laymen's Missionary Association of Toronto Presbytery, at St. Andrew's Church. should be administered in the words of the resolution. Masses of intercession will also be held in every

New York Clergymen Will Consecrate Next Sunday to Supplications. New York, April 18. - Clergymen in

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

Bombardments Become Energetic on Balkan Front—Surprise Attack Has Big Results.

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St. Johns, Nfld., April 18.—The Newfoundand railway strike has been sethed. The terms of the settlement are that the men resume work with the that the men resume work with the that the men resume work with fail-understanding that a revision of wages shall be made within a month.

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Haig's Report on Thursday's Fighting

London, April 18. — Field Marshal Haig's report tonight says:

"There has been severe fighting "There has been severe fighting again today on the greater part of the Lys battlefront. From La Bassee Canal at Givenchy to the Lys River, east of St. Venant, a bombardment was reported this morning, followed by strong hostile attacks, all of which have been repulsed.

"The losses inflicted on the attacking German infantry by our fire are again reported to have been extremely heavy, and over 200 prisoners have teen taken. "The struggle has been particularly fierce in the neighbor-

Man Power Bill

Leave Extended Thirty Days, and Medical Board to Examine Them.

British still hold formidable heights from Cassel to Messines. Severe fighting is proceeding on greater pert of Lys battlefront.

British fight with Homeric valor against tremendous numerical odds. For nearly a week German gains in Flanders have been limited to the small-

Enemy makes second unsuccessful attack against the Belgians south of Houthulst Forest.

French in the Amiens region attack Germans on the Avre and advance to outskirts of Castel. British positions south of Kemmel re-

tained against enemy attacks, accom-panied by heavy shelling. Ten German divisions, which try to cross La Bassee Canal, suffer heavy casualties and make no gains.

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Canada Must Sacrifice To Be Worthy of Freedom

cession will also be held in every Catholic church.

In the meantime the authorities, altho they do-not anticipate that any conscripts will be called until the home rule bill is on the statute books, are taking steps to deal with the situation, which, to say the least, is threatening.

Field Marshal Lord French, commander-in-chief of the forces in the United Kingdom, arrived in Dublin yesterday with his staff.

The Nationalists, or at least the majority of them, are understood to have decided to abstain from attendance in the house of commons during the crisis, thus adopting the attitude of the Sinn Feiners, who were elected to parliament but have never attended.

ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

Kitchener, April 18.—Rev. John Neil, D., moderator of the general assembly of the Freshyterian Church, del vered a stirring address in Trinity Methodist Church here this evening under the auspraces of the Daughters of the Empire He gave a vivid description of bis experiences at the front and told the large-sized audience that if the people of Canada were not prepared to make atkil greater sacrifices in order to help the allies to win the war they are not worthy of the freedom for which the soldiers in Flanders are fighting. Dr. Neil expressed the opinion that while the allies will staffer reverses there was no doubt but that soirit of men fighting for the cause of the entente allies wind script final victory. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the speaker on the motion of Rev. S. C. A. Sykes and J. P. Cameron. The chair was occupied by Rev. Marcus Scott.

FOCH TO STRIKE SOON. Generalissimo Will Attack Part Front Not Hitherto Engaged.

hood of Givenchy, where the enemy made determined efforts, without success, to retrieve his previous fallures. The fighting in this locality has not yet ceased, and the activity of the enemy's artillery is continuing on the whole of this front.

"Later in the day further at-tacks, accompanied by heavy shelling, developed against our positions wouth of Kemmel and

"Beyond considerable artillery activity in different sectors, particularly south and north of the Somme, there is nothing of especial interest to report from the British front."

Signed by King

London, April 18.—All the remaining stages of the man power bill were concluded today and the royal assent was given the mea-SIR HENRY DRAYTON

GIVEN WIDE POWERS

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Ottawa, April 18—An order-in-council has been passed granting additional powers to Sir Henry Drayton and the equally ramous Vimy Midge, where the canadiana Their case has been brought to the attention of government by a number of Unionist members including Col. Currie (North Simceo) and Mr. Maclean (South York) and it is understood they will all be estamined by a special medical board. If found unfit for mill, tary duty at the front they will be assigned to duties in Canada.

For the present the furlough has been extended thirty days. The men wille in Canada are under the jurisdiction of the British war office. However, as a matter of courtest, communications are being exchanged between the Canadian government and the commander of the British army in France.

War News

Enemy continues to draw on fresh reserves.

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British Machines Go Out in Bad Weather, Operating at Low Altitudes.

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was a slight improvement in the weather, but before midday rain and mist again set in. Airplanes were active thruout the day on the Meteren-Wytschaete front, bombing the enemy troops and harassing them with machine gun fire. More than 500 bombs were dropped from very low heights "There were a few fights early in the day in the course of which two

"There were a few fights early in the day, in the course of which two hostie machines were downed and thru the resignation of the entire Hunone was driven down out of control. Four of our machines-are missing."

Germans Actively Suppress Pro-Allied Propaganda

With the American Army in France, April 18.—The activities of the German military authorities in suppressing propaganda at home are shown in the following quotation from a German bulletin which has been received at American headquarters: "Baron von Gayl, general commanding the seventh German army corps in Muenster, of-fers 3000 marks to the person who first succeeds in implicating an English or American agent guilty of inciting disturbances or revolution in this be condemned by a court."

TORONTO MAN WINS CROSS. Flight Commander Cyril Ridley At-tacks Trenches From Low Altitude.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.

London, April 18.—Flight Commander Cyril Ridley, of Toronto, has been awarded the distinguished service cross for attacking trenches from a height of 30 feet. He also attacked a formation of scouts, selecting one attacking British machines. He has liller to the sale of men's hats new lines have been added to stock and we are prepared for you with a superb stock of splendid English and American hats, includant formation of scouts, selecting one attacking British machines. He has attacking British machines. He has Hillgate English makes, previously destroyed several senenty and a full line of Stet-

Extraordinarily Violent Attacks Are Made in an Endeavor to Cross La Bassee Canal and Bend Allied Salient.

Associated Press War Summary Reinforced by French troops, the allied line is holding hard against fur-ther incursions by the Germans from the region of La Bassec to the north

the region of La Bassec to the north of Ypres.

Everywhere the Germans have struck the line in an endeavor to press back the defenders they have been repulsed with heavy losses, and have been successful nowhere in gaining further ground.

Attacks of an extraordinarily violent nature are being thrown by the Germans on the ten-mile front between Givenchy and Robecq, where an endeavor is being made to cross the La Bassee Canal and bend southward the salient which now outflanks the important railroad town of Bethune. A division of troops to each mile is being used by the Germans on this sector, but the British at last accounts were holding well and inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

Danger in Attack.

Danger in Attack. If successful the new attack of the Germans would jeopardize the entire Arras sector, which includes the famous French coaling region about Lens and the equally famous Vimy Ridge,

East of Amiens, along the Avre River, the French have made successful attacks against the Germans on severai sectors, capturing the greater part of the Senecat wood and also advancing their line east and west of the stream. The Germans in the Aisne region attacked the French near Corbeny and also in the Champagne, but in each instance were repulsed, while the French in Lorraine carried out a successful manoeuvre against the ene-

garian ministry.

BRITISH HOLDING WELL

Pretentious Assault is Made By Ten Divisions of German Troops. With the British Army in France,

April 18.—Ten divisions of German troops were driving today furiously against the British defenses between Givenchy-Lez-La Bassee and St. Venant in an attempt to effect a crossing of La Bassee Canal. The British were holding well and inflicting heavy casualties on the enemy, according to the latest report. Coincidentally with this pretentious assault, the Germans surged forward further north and again began hammering at the approaches to Kemmei and the neighboring high ground.

TWO BIG DAYS FOR THE SALE

Friday and Saturday the W. & D.

Dineen Company give special atten-tion to the sale of men's hats. Many

Limited