## Thelus Village Hammered to Pieces by Canadian Guns

before, our guns hammered it to pieces. It did not long hold out. By 12.30 o'clock, seven hours after the battle began, no organized body of the enemy remained on Vimy Ridge, save the nest of concealed machine gun sections on Hill 145. CASUALTIES SURPRISINGLY LIGHT.

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Of the casualties it can only be said this moment that they are surprisingly light, especially in view of the importance of the ground won. The prisoners taken on the Canadian part of the front probably total close to 2,000. The British troops on the adjacent part of the front captured over 3,000. Our men were splendid, and proud that they have been counted worthy to furnish a striking force in so important an operation as the recapture of Vimy Ridge.

No ground in all France is more dear to the hearts of the French people than the front from which the Canadians set out to drive the enemy from his positions on the ridge of Vimy, the chapel of Notre Dame de Lorette, Souchez and the sugar refinery there, to conquer the crumbing ruins of which men died during the war in thousands. The Cabaret, Rouge, Neuville St. Vaast, the Labyrinth are names that will be forever glorious there.

In the spring of 1915, before the tremendous dramas of Verdun and the Somme had been conceived, the army of France made the first great attempt to drive the entrenched foe from his positions. The progress made, reckoned in miles, was almost negligible, but the French learned on the ridges and in the long shelterless slopes of this difficult terrain the lessons that enabled them and their allies to win at Verdun and the Somme.

According to Haig's report tonight, the new British fighting front. thrust forward by the powerful punch over forty miles, runs something in this

From around Vimy to Thelus (31/2 From around Vimy to Thelus (3½ miles northeast of Arras) to Blagny, St. Laurent and Athies, all about two miles north and east of Arras, to Vitasse (three miles southeast of Arras), to Henin, around Ecoust, eastward to Boursies, nine miles distant from Cambrai, Just below Boursies lies Demicourt, Hermes and the Havrincourt wood. From here the British line swings sharply toward the main German line of communications from St. Quentin to Cambrai, stopping in the

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FIVE THOUSAND PRISONERS.

Canadians Take Twe Thousand in Minning Vimy Ridge.

Special Cable to The Terroits Werfel.

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Ten of our aeroplanes are missing.

Two German balloons were

Killed in action—H. J. Start, Calgary;
Augustus Butier, England; P. B. Clower, walter Hume, England; P. B. Clower, walter Hume, England; R. F. Irvine, (waneta, B.C.; Fred Martin, Australia; Walter Steeves, Steeveston, B.C.; Sgt. Jos. Weir, Scotland; 404-15, Ciarence Marshall, 31 River street, Teronte; Wm. Telford, Burnaby, B.C.; wm. Purdy, Bonny River, N.B.

Wounded—Fred Brown, England; S. C. Beauley, Feter McDougall, Thomas Hermanson, Winnipeg; Corp. J. F. Nash, London, Ont.; Hervert Barter, Winnipeg; 550133, James Draborough, 31 Tiverton avenue, Toronto; A. R. watt, England; E. R. Watts, Winnipeg; Fred Cedarburg, Westham, B.C.; Thomas Woodley, Richard Harris, England; W. D. Molaren, Scotland; F. B. Willis, England; H. C. Smith, Tenth Battalion, C.E.F.; Antonio Russello, Italy; Robert Ask, Lance-Corp. A. W. Jefford, England; Kobert Eagles, Ireland; John McPhee, Rice Point, P.E. I.; W. J. Collings, Bethune, Sask.; Cp. Harry Fowler, Gould's Brigus, Nfid.

Died of wounds—Robert Andrew, Scotland; Henry Burke, Belleville, Ont.; Fred Thomas, England; Jeremiah Jondreau, Marksville, Ont.; C. E. Hilliard, Langruth, Man.; F. W. Ayre, England; W. J. Tate, Russell, Man.; Willie Chapman, Ireland.

Dangerously ill—Alex. McLeod, Scot-

land.
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Died—Lieut-Col. E. E. Moore, Hamil-on, Ont.; H. A. Fordham, Hamilton; T. J. Dundas, Ireland; Henry Kiddle, Eng-

Wounded and missing-Samuel Young, Seriously III, wounded—Frank, Sivyer, England.
Dangerously III, wounded—F. B. Dailey, Starling, Ont.; Lieut. B. H. Richardson, Winnipes.
Seriously III—G. H. Parnaby, Cranbrook, B.C.; W. H. McCorrister, Portage la Prairie, Man.; G. E. Coles, Shawville, Oue.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Killed in action—W. F. Burchmore, England; R. E. Groves, Mara, B.C.; J. E. Holt, England; R. M. Mackay, Winnipeg; C. T. Elimhirst, Sanford, Man.; Wm. Daum, Portage la Prairie, Man.; Sgt. H. L. Holmes, England; A. H. Anderson, Russell, Man.; Chas. Birch, Winnipeg; Alex. Bruce, Scotch Bay, Man.; F. J. Drewe, Winnipeg; G. F. Turner, England: Alfred Philpott, England. Wounded—M. Myrick, Griswold, Man.; Samuel Bradshaw, Ireland.

Presumed to have died—W. F. Thomas, 88 Fulton avenue, Toronto.

ARTILLERY. Died-Gunner George Curtis, New Zea-land, P.E.I.; Driver I. C. Bravo, B.W.I. Wounded-Gunner H. S. Waugh, Cal-

ENGINEERS. Wounded-Sapper Percy Horton, Lon-

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Violent Quake Rocks Cities

Special to The Toronto World. rocked St. Louis and hundreds severe recorded in this district since 1911, when New Madrid county was inundated, following a quake.

The shock in St. Louis threw scores of persons from their feet, caused hundreds to rush into the streets panic stricken, and did slight damage in hundreds of homes.

WILL RECEIVE COLORS.

Special to The Toronto World.

Niagara Falls, April 9.—Presentation of colors to the 176th (Niagara Rangers) Battalion will take place in Queen Victoria Park, Niagara Falls.
Ont., at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

ARRANGING FOR

landers Will Drill Twice a Week.

men will be included in the new Can adian Defence Force. Major-Genera S. C. Mewburn, who was in Toront yesterday afternoon, conferring with Major-General W. A. Logie in reference to C. D. F. plans for Toront district, stated that it is probat

All the militia regiments now recruiting C. D. F. battalions have their armory orderly rooms open every day to enroll recruits.

Starting tonight, the 48th Highlanders will hold regimental parades twice a week. Drill nights will be Tuesdays and Fridays. It is the first time since the start of the war that a Toronto regiment has decided upon twice-a-week drills.

As many men approached fig service in the C.D.F. have wanted to know what will become of them when the summer training in camp is over, fearing that in the fall they might be discharged and have to look up a civilian position again, Major E. C. Burson, commander of the 10th Royal Grenadiers, C.D.F., Battalion, obtained an answer to this question from Major-Gen. Mewburn. The latter assured him that men joining the C.D.F. would be given permanent military employment until the end of the war.

The Grenadiers put six men for the

## C.D.F. ARTILLERY Dineen's Fire Sale

The pure, clean Wheat Bran in To Aid New Force, High- You Must Hurry Now if You GOOD HEALTH BREAKFAST To Aid New Force, High- You Must Hurry Now if You Would Get Your Share

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CARPENTERS ARE TEARING DOWN AND TAKING POSSESSION STEP BY STEP

YOU WILL NEVER GET SUCH VALUES AGAIN

Never in the history of me on the square. When you read in the papers about the large number of people attending the sale—you are reading what is positively true, and you can satisfy yourself on this point, district, was instructed to get in touch with the Speakers' Patriotic League with a view to forming plans for recruiting fer the C. D. F., these to be carried out in co-operation with the commanding officers of the 'various new defence battalions.

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has done much to insure the great success of this sale. When a firm of 45 years' reputable business record tells you emphatically and truthfully that they are sacrificing thousands of dollars in values, for a certain purpose, and are determined to move an immense stock for legitimate business reasons, the bulk of the people take them at their word and crown the store. That is why this sale has attracted thousands of people, that, and the positive proof that comes from a visit to the store. That is why the Dineen Fire Sale is still going strong—with the store daily crowded with buyers.

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The Grenadiers put six men for the C.D.F. thru the Toronto mobilization centre examining depot yesterday.

This regiment has no intention at the present time of having recruiters on the streets, but will first "fine-tooth the streets, but

Yesterday began the fourth week of wrought by the fire flend on the Dineen's Fire Sale.

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WILL HELP END FIGHT

Minister of Militia Makes Stirring Speech on Canada's Achievements.

That Canada is doing her share towards winning the war, and that the en-trance into the world conflict of the trance into the world conflict of the United States would bring the war to a quicker termination, were statements made by the Hon. Sir Edward Kemp, minister of militia, in an address before the members of Cameron Orange Loage. No. 613, last evening in Victoria Hall. The minister of militia gave figures of what the people throut this Dominion were doing, either on the fighting line or in making munitions of war. He declared that 407,302 men were eplisted in Canada outside of reservists, and that there are 300,000 people employed on the output of munitions. At the outbreak of war, he said, it was stated that munitions could not be manufactured in this country, but already three-quarter billion dollars' worth of contracts have been given out here.

"I am glad that our border neighbors have Joined our columns in the fight for justice and civilization, but when they have recruited five million men they will be just on a par with this Dominion of ours," continued Sir Edward. Their entrance into the war will be of great service in many directions," said the speaker.

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Within a few weeks, the minister of militia asserted, he would be able to announce that all of the C.E.F. men will be sent to England in order to get into the fighting. The government, he said, will then rely on the people here to form the home defence units to guard the boundary. There are 11,500 men in the mitita regiments, and, including allied reservists and naval reservist men, 448,472 men have been transported overseas from Canada.

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Ex-Mayor Hocken charged that the truth had finally come out that the French people living in Canada are not loyal to the British Empire. Sixty returned men were present, and of this number forty are members of the lodge. Mayor Church and Captain Joe Thompson of the 208th Battalion were also present.

Capital Lodge No. 50, A.O.U.W., held 'ts regular lustness meeting last evening at St. George's Hall, presided over by L. O. Thaunton, master workman. The financial report was submitted, which



PASSENGER TRAFFIC HEAV Traffic in and out of the Unio tion was very heavy last night, of the trains having to be made two sections. Opinion was pramong railway officials that despfact that holiday rates were not over Easter this year, the traff not noticeably less than it has be vious years.

CHILE TO STAY NEUTRAL

Santiago, Chile, April 9.—Chile maintain an attitude of neut the war so long as she is not i object of a direct attack, acco assurance given by government

GERMAN PRISONERS ANGR

Full Military Honors for Late Lieut. Robinson Tu

Hamilton, Tuesday, April 10. ing completed at a meeting of and non-coms at the armories lasting. The body was taken to Church Cathedral early in the where it will lie in state until tof the funeral. A guard of honor from the 13th Regiment was in attendance. At the cemetery ternoon, the band will render the icader's famous arrangement of My God to Thee." The public be admitted to the cemetery.

TWO MAJORS RETURNI

Hamilton, Tuesday, April 10-spatch received from St. John, N.B. terday morning, stated that Major Chisholm, C.A.P.C., paymaster 173rd Battalion, and Major C. L. of the 129th County of Wentwort talion, had arrived at that powould proceed to Hamilton immediate breaking up of these battal England occasioned the return of officers.

## CANADIANS TAKE VIMY RIDGE

down.

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the protecting shell curtain set up by their guns. As this barrier fire moved forward the men kept pace. It will ever be an amazing feature of this war, the absolutely cold valor with which the men go into action. Never the old shouting or the impulsive rush to victory—just a slow, deliberate trudge, not more than two or three men grouped, and each silent, with his own thoughts, until actual fighting with the hitherto unseen foe begins. Then it is a quick surrender, a shot or a bayonet thrust, and the attacking wave moves on.

Magic Night Picture Changes.

The coming of day changed the magic picture of night completely and with almost naked suddenness. Now the horizon was dull with accumulated smoke. Shells which had burst into pillars of fire by night now appeared as black fountains springing from the earth. There was an occasional flash smoke. The roar, however, was always the same.

to the shrapnel bursts, but generally they flew in merely as puff balls of The sun broke thru the clouds just before noon, as the British were breaking thru the third and fourth German lines.

**BAVARIANS SURRENDER** TO CANADIANS FREELY

Germans Take to Dugouts and Yield by Hundreds -Vimy Ridge Made Excellent Shelter for Enemy Machines.

Canadian Associated Press Cable.

London, April 9.—Vimy ridge, captured by the Canadians, says The
Morning Post, runs southeast from Souchez Valley, and is mostly covered
with small woods. The eastern side, scarred by nasty ravines, made an excellent shelter for enemy machines. The Mail correspondent says that the troops who took Vimy ridge spoke scornfully of the enemy's fighting. "They call themselves reserve guards, and they can't fight better than The Bavarians, who fought like cats in the recent raids, were sur prised in their dugouts and captured in hundreds."

LIBERAL ASSOCIATIONS

Niagara Peninsula Organizations
Welcome Women to Their
Ranks at Big Meeting.

Hamilton, Tuesday, April 9.—When the two days' conference of the Liberal Associations of Wentworth, Norfolk, Haldimand, Lincom, Welland, Brant, Oxford and Halton Counties was officially under way at the Sun Life building yesterday afternoon there were more than two hundred delegates present. The Hamilton representation was the smallest of the gathering, this fact being regretted by the chairman, John Lennox, Hon. George P. Groham was elected chairman of the dafternoon's meeting. Thomas Marshall, and there was a general vote of afternoon's meeting. Thomas Marshall, and there was a general vote of afternoon's meeting. Thomas Marshall, and there was a general vote of afternoon's meeting. Thomas Marshall, and there was a general vote of afternoon's meeting. Thomas Marshall, and there was a general vote of afternoon's meeting. Thomas Marshall, and there was a general vote of afternoon's meeting. Thomas Marshall, and there was a general vote of afternoon's meeting. Thomas Marshall, and there was a general vote of confidence was placed upon Sir Wilfrid Louis aged 57 years, for many years a resident of Drayton, died here last even-ing the Liberal party.

Tou must have miles and miles of these fine woolens for a man to choose fines, the Liberal organization. When Ladams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, Mrs. J. Harchom, W. H. Adams, W. C. Rean, M

ASSOCIATIONS

M.I.A., Lincoln County, welcomed the ladies into the political arena. He urged them to unite with the men in perfecting the Liberal organizations.

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\* WAR SUMMARY \*

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

HE British turned on the full force of their vast striking power against the Arras salient yesterday and they smashed into the labyrinthing defensive system of the Germans on a front of twelve miles, for a depth of two to three miles. The operation involved the greatest concen tration of guns for a given section of front yet seen in the war. For the first time this year the Canadians became heavily engaged, and they had Must Recruit Five Million the honor of carrying the celebrated Vimy ridge, overlooking northern France, and the taking of 2000 prisoners. The positions carried included a dozen villages and all the German defences between Henin-sur-Cojeul and Givenchy-en-Gobelle. Up till 2 o'clock in the afternoon the British had taken 5816 prisoners, and endless streams of them were still flowing into the cages. By noon the British had burst thru the third and fourth German defensive lines, and their advance was still proceeding at nightfall.

In the first onset the British forces everywhere carried the forward defences of the Germans, including the Vimy ridge, Telegraph Hill, Observation redoubt and several villages, embracing a network of trenches and fortified localities. This success evidently made the Germans decide to retreat, altho it was still early in the day, so the British pushed on and captured what Sir Douglas Haig describes as the enemy's rear guard defences. These included, besides other powerful trench systems, the fortified localities of Feuchy, Chapelle de Feuchy, Hyderabad redoubt, Athles and Thelus. Tanks appeared again on the field and climbed the steepest

Besides making this powerful drive against the Arras salient, th British also struck out towards Cambrai, capturing Demicourt Village and gaining ground near Havrincourt Wood, and they also over-ran further territory towards St. Quentin by capturing the Villages of Pontru and Le Verguier. To the south, the French subjected the German lines between the Somme and the Aisne to a terrific bombardment. The enemy replied chiefly by throwing shells into Arras, outside the zone of heavy allied

Strictly speaking, this fighting is not a separate action, but it is part of the general British staff plan, begun in the Somme operations last July, just as the Ancre fighting was. The object of the forward drive on the Somme last year was to open up a new flank for attack and to protect the British flank from a German counter-attack. The French operations had as their object the protection of the new British flank. The new German flank thus formed by the success of the Somme first ran along the Ancre and then, after the British offensive astride this stream, and the German retreat, it ran along the new line southeast of Arras. This latest German flank is now under attack, and it is speedily succumbing. The next German flank formed will probably run south and southeast of Lens. The object of the allied staff is to drive the enemy from his original positions, occupied since the autumn of 1914, for a sufficient width to permit Sir Douglas Haig to advance on a broad front.

Despatches say that the British attack took the Germans by surprise. It is highly improbable, however, that the German general staff did not expect the British to launch a powerful blow north and south of Arras, for it had entrusted the defence of these naturally strong and important positions to the Bavarians, about the hardest fighting men in the German service. The explanation of the rapid crumbling of the German defence probably lies in the fact that the British artillery firing was so overwhelming as to beat down practically all effective German artillery resistance. The British barrage cut off the advanced line troops of the enemy from their supports. The British attack pinned them to the ground and deprived them of control over their actions. The Canadians had surprisingly

The United States Government is proceeding rapidly with the business of lending three billion dollars to the allies. In having the United States as a beiligerent the allies have found a rich uncle, rather free with his cash. The United States is going to do another service to the allies by applying pressure to Argentina, so as to compel her to allow the export of wheat. Under German influence the Argentine Government put an embargo on shipments. The United States now threatens a retaliatory embargo on coal to Argentina.

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The attendance at the moving pictures at East Riverdale, McCormick and Moss Park totaled 4286 children, parents and adults.

Hungary because she, the tool of Germany, has refused to disavow the German submarine depredations and piracy on the high seas. President Wilson has issued a statement on the diplomatic conversations with the Viennese Government. Before Austria can regain a semblance of freedom, the allies must cripple Germany by the onset of their armies. An Austrian breaking away from Germany in that event could not win for her any