

# HEAVY FIGHTING CONTINUES IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM; NO CHANGE IN BATTLE LINE

## MOST FIERCELY FOUGHT BATTLE OF WAR IN THE WESTERN THEATRE

### Fight Which Has Developed Around Ypres Bitterly Contested With Reinforced German Army Making Desperate Attempt to Hack Road Through to Calais—Allies Holding Enemy In Check, and Inflicting Heavy Losses—Germans Forced to Throw Their Dead Out of Trenches So Deadly Was the Fire of British and French—Indian Troops Take Position in Daring Bayonet Charge.

London, Nov. 5, 9.50 p. m.—The following descriptive account, which has been communicated by an eye-witness present with the general headquarters continues and supplements the narrative published November 3 of the movements of the British force and of the French armies in immediate touch with it.

"November 1—In spite of the great losses which they suffered in their attacks last week the Germans have continued their offensive toward the west almost continuously during the five days from the 26th to the 30th of October. Opposite us it has gradually grown in intensity and in extent of application, as more men and guns have been brought up and pushed into their right, and it has developed into the most bitterly contested battle which has been fought in the western theatre of the war.

"The German artillery, has, to a large extent, been increased by that transferred from around Antwerp. As regards infantry, it is possible that some of the additional troops now appearing on our front have been rendered available by relaxation of the pressure against our Allies to the north of Ypres, caused by the desperate and successful resistance made by the latter, by the harassing nature of the artillery fire brought to bear by the ships against the strip of country along the coast, and the flooding of the area along the River Yser.

Calais Still Enemy's Objective.

"Forces have been massed also from the south, while another of the new army corps has definitely made its de-bat to the east of Calais, as is to be gathered from articles in their newspapers, or whether the operation is due to a desire to drive the allied forces out of the whole of Belgium, in order to complete the conquest of that country with a view to its annexation and to gain prestige with neutrals, is immaterial.

"What concerns us more closely is that they have been making, and are still pressing, a desperate attempt to gain the town.

"On Monday the 26th, south of the Lys on our right, the enemy attacked Neuvechappelle, one of the villages held by us. In the evening, advancing under cover of a wood, they managed to gain possession of a portion of it north of the Lys.

"In the centre a bombardment alone was kept up, and some ground was made by us. A detached post, which was attacked in force during the night, drove back its assailants, who left fifty-six dead behind.

Furious Attack on Allies' Centre.

"Near our left the Germans developed a very strong attack on the section of our line to the east of Ypres. Though supported by a great mass of artillery this was checked, but it had two results. One was that our position was re-adjusted, and the other was that our extreme left alone advanced, in conjunction with some of our allies.

"On Tuesday, the 27th, the Germans rather forced their principal attention on our right centre and most desperate fighting took place for the possession of Neuvechappelle.

"In spite of repeated counter-attacks by our troops, the enemy during the day managed to hold on to the northern part of the village, which he had gained the day before.

"Toward evening we have gradually regained part of the place by step-

## MAJ.-GEN. HUGHES EXPECTED HOME ON SUNDAY

Due in New York Saturday—Premier Borden at Hot Springs.

Special to The Standard  
Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 5.—Major-General Sam Hughes is expected to arrive in New York on Saturday by the American liner St. Paul and will be in Ottawa on Sunday.

Sir Robert Borden is still at Hot Springs, Virginia, and intends to stay there until Sunday week.

Hon. Robert Rogers is in Winnipeg and may not return for another week or so.

Hon. Dr. Roche is at his home in Minnedosa, Man., and is reported as recovering rapidly from the effects of his recent operation at Rochester, N. Y.

## PRUSSIAN PRINCE WOUNDED IN BATTLE

Names of Fifteen Officers Killed and Twenty-two Wounded in British Casualty List Issued Last Night.

Amsterdam, via London, Nov. 5.—Prince Joachim Albrecht of Prussia, son of the late Regent of Brunswick, has been wounded while fighting in France, according to the Telegraaf.

London, Nov. 5, 8.45 p. m.—A casualty list dated October 31, issued here tonight, gives the names of fifteen officers killed and twenty-two wounded. Among the killed is Captain the Hon. H. B. Bruce, of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders. In the list of wounded appear the names of Lt. Col. E. P. Lambert, of the Royal Field Artillery, and Major the Hon. A. C. Field Forester, of the Grenadier Guards, third son of Baron Forester.

While the army list of Great Britain gives no Captain H. B. Bruce, it does contain Captain the Hon. Henry L. Bruce of the Third Royal Scots, heir of Baron Abendure. This Captain Bruce, in 1906, married Camille Clifford, an American actress, whom he met while she was playing in an American music hall production in London.

Aldershot, England, via London, Nov. 5 (11.10 p. m.)—Aviator Busk of the aircraft staff, was burned to death in mid-air today when the biplane which he was testing caught fire.

While about one thousand feet above the ground the biplane suddenly burst into flames. Busk tried to descend by gliding. This continued for nearly a mile, the aircraft meanwhile blazing furiously.

The aviator was burned to death before the machine struck the ground.

to advance was well swept by our guns. In this case the assault was carried out against one of our brigades by a force of some twelve battalions. With self-restraint our men held their fire for forty minutes, until the invaders got quite close, and then drove them back with a loss of 200 killed. The enemy penetrated into a portion of one of our trenches, but were driven out again, losing eighty men killed or captured.

"The really important feature in this day's operations occurred north of the Lys, and consisted of an onslaught in great force made in the morning in the direction of Ypres. After a heavy cannonade the assault was driven home, and a portion of our front line was forced back. By evening the lost ground was recovered, and in some places more than recovered, with the exception of one part, to which the enemy clung.

"Our losses were heavy, but not so severe as those of the enemy, who at one place suffered enormously from the concentrated fire of our massed machine guns.

"The men are always training in bayonet work, which the enemy often avoids. The Russian cavalry has, by different accounts, shown great dash and has been handled with speed and skill. In raids beyond the river on the enemy's communications Russian cavalry divisions have several times disturbed German forays, taking many prisoners. Large numbers of stragglers have been taken by the Russians.

"A Hungarian division put up good resistance for three days, but then collapsed.

"The population in Southern Poland is in a state of profound distress and the Russians are organizing extensive relief work.

"The Germans compel captured officers to work with the men, and spit at them and drive them about, bare to the waist.

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## ENEMY TRYING TO FORCE ROAD THROUGH LINES OF ALLIES TO CALAIS

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Monmouth and serious damage to the Good Hope, probably are true.

"It is the price of Admiralty," says the average Englishman of this and other losses to ships that have been sustained since the war commenced, but every Britisher seems confident that when the main fleets meet these losses will be more than wiped out. It is expected here that should the German fortress of Tainig Tau fall, the British and Japanese vessels engaged there will start out in an endeavor to round up the eight or nine German cruisers still at large.

## FRANCE DECLARES WAR ON TURKEY

Paris, Nov. 5 (11.30 p. m.)—The French government tonight declared that "a state of war exists between France and Turkey," according to the Bordeaux correspondent of the Havas Agency. He says that the foreign office issued the following note:

"The hostile acts of the Turkish fleet against a French steamer, causing the death of two Frenchmen and serious damage to the ship, not having been followed by the dismissal of the German naval military missions, the measure whereby Turkey could disclaim responsibility, the Government of this Republic is obliged to state that as a result of the action of the Ottoman government, a state of war exists between France and Turkey."

## BELGIUM

Havre, Nov. 5 via Paris, Nov. 5.—The Belgian government issues the following statement:

"The Belgian advanced detachments which progressed as far as Lommel, toward the Yser, between Saint George Capelle and Tervaele, could only advance with great difficulty owing to the poor roads and the inundated country. They were also harassed constantly by the infantry and machine gun fire of the enemy.

"The enemy still occupies Saint George Capelle and the farms located on the left bank of the Yser in the neighborhood of Schoorbakke.

"To the south of Dixmude the Germans made an attack last night in the direction of the Blixschote bridge. They failed in the attempt, and were forced to evacuate completely the village of Blixschote, to the south of Zandvoorde.

"The enemy continues to attack with the greatest violence along the front of the allies, between Hollebecke and Messines.

"All positions have been held, and at certain points the allies have progressed, notably towards Hollebecke and Blixschote.

"In the region of Armentieres, and to the south of the Lys, the situation remains the same."

## TURKEY

Amsterdam via London, Nov. 5, 7.35 p. m.—The following Turkish official statement is contained in a despatch from Constantinople:

"The Russians are now strengthening their positions near the frontier, but have been repulsed completely from the Karaklissa and Teehan districts.

"During the bombardment at the entrance to the Dardanelles the hosts first fired 240 shells without causing material damage. Our forts fired only ten shots."

## FRANCE

Paris, Nov. 5, 10.50 p. m.—The following official communication was issued at the war office tonight:

"There is no new information on the operations at the north of the Lys.

"In a violent offensive movement by the Germans north of Arras, we lost a few trenches, which later were retaken.

"Yesterday the Belgians (region of St. Hubert), all the German attacks have been successfully repulsed.

"Concerning the remainder of the battlefield there is nothing of importance to report."

## RUSSIA

Petrograd, via London, Nov. 5, 10.35 p. m.—The following official communication has been issued from Russian general headquarters:

"We continue to progress on the East Prussian front. The Germans are falling back along the whole front, keeping a fortified position only in the region of Wergolbio.

"On the left bank of the Vistula the Russian army is continuing its vigorous attack, pursuing the retreating enemy. The crossing of the river San by our troops continues with success. The Austrians also are retreating.

"In the Black Sea region no change is reported."

## GERMANY

Berlin, Nov. 5. (by way of London, 4.25 p. m.)—The German general headquarters issued the following statement today:

"Yesterday the Belgians, assisted by British and French troops, made a fierce attack, by way of Nieupoit, between the sea and the inundations, but they were easily repulsed.

"Near Ypres, southwest of Lille and south of Berry-Au-Bac, in the Argonne region and in the Vosges, our attacks are progressing.

"In the eastern theatre of the war there have been no material events."

## CAVALRY OF CZAR STRIKING TERROR INTO ENEMY IN EAST PRUSSIA

London, Nov. 5.—Professor Bernard Pares, the British government's representative with the Russian headquarters in the field, sends the following report:

"Trustworthy eye-witnesses speak with great enthusiasm of the conduct of the Russian troops on the upper Vistula river, where more serious fighting is to be expected.

"Here again the German heavy artillery commands respect, but the Russian field guns and howitzers are served with remarkable precision and alertness, and meet with great success. The complete confidence of the Russian infantry in the effectiveness of the Russian artillery is a striking and general feature.

"The men are always training in bayonet work, which the enemy often avoids. The Russian cavalry has, by different accounts, shown great dash and has been handled with speed and skill. In raids beyond the river on the enemy's communications Russian cavalry divisions have several times disturbed German forays, taking many prisoners. Large numbers of stragglers have been taken by the Russians.

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### WEEK END BARGAINS IN MILLINERY AT MARR'S

To week-end shoppers we would like to explain that yesterday's rush made it impossible to wait on everyone. Today, however, we do no trimming, but will add to our store staff our 37 milliners whose services are at the disposal of today's and tomorrow's buyers.

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### HOSPITAL SHIP STRUCK MINE

London, Nov. 5, 4.45 p. m.—The hospital ship Rohilla, which was recently wrecked off the Yorkshire coast with a large number of casualties, was struck by a mine and so badly injured that her captain was forced to run her onto the rocks in order to escape sinking at sea. Captain Wilson, the commander of the Rohilla, gave testimony to this effect at an inquest held today.

This was the first time that the hospital ship had struck a mine. It had been generally understood that the vessel got out of her course near Whitby and piled on the rocks.

Captain Wilson said that when the Rohilla struck the mine he knew she had been badly hurt and that had he not run her ashore she would have sunk with the loss of all hands on board.

### PERSONAL

Mrs. J. H. Bond and Master Jack Bond have returned home from Merrimack, Mass., where they have been visiting Mr. Bond's brother.

Lewis Connors of Black's Harbor is at the Dufferin.

A. B. Wilmut was in the city yesterday.

### BORN.

PEACOCK—At 49 Spring street, city, on November 5th, to the wife of F. W. Peacock, a son.

### DIED.

MILLER—Suddenly, at his late residence, 87 Douglas avenue, on Wednesday, 4th inst., Charles Miller, aged 55 years, leaving a wife, three sons, his mother and one brother to mourn.

Funeral on Friday, with services at 3 o'clock at his home. No flowers by request.

WHELPLEY—In this city, on the 4th inst., Mrs. Evaline E. Whelpley, wife of David W. Whelpley, aged forty-four years, leaving besides her husband, one son and one brother.

Funeral from her late residence, 139 Adelaide street, Friday at 2.30 p. m. Friends invited to attend.

COCHRAN—Entered into rest Nov. 5th, Annie, widow of Henry Cochran, in the seventy-eighth year of her age, leaving one daughter to mourn.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

HALPIN—Suddenly at Calgary, Alta., on October 31st, Patrick James Halpin, third son of John and Catherine Halpin, leaving his wife, one son, father and mother, one brother and two sisters to mourn their loss.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

### WILL LAUNCH NEW GOVERNMENT STR. ON SATURDAY

Ottawa, Nov. 5.—The new government steamer Grenville to be used for lighthouse and buoy service on Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence down to Prescott will be launched on Saturday at the Polson Iron Works, Toronto. Hon. J. D. Hazen, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, will be unable to be present as he is also acting minister of militia, but Hon. A. E. Kemp will represent the government.

### TWO FINE FEATURES - IMPERIAL - GRAND WIND-UP FOR THE WEEK

The Seventh Episode "TREY O' HEARTS" An Aerial Adventure

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