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A Tribute To The Liberal Chieftain

The Man Who Declared "When Britain is at War Canada is at War" Ready to Pledge Canada's Last Dollar for Empire Defence



SIR WILFRID LAURIER

Under the title "Canada's Other Head in the Emergency," the Canadian courier prints a page portrait of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and says: There never has been any doubt as to where Sir Wilfrid Laurier stands on the question of imperial defence.

E. I. MINISTER IS CHOSEN PRESIDENT

United Baptist Institute Meeting in Fredericton Today

Fredericton, Oct. 16.—Delegates to the Maritime Baptist Convention are pouring in from all quarters and it is expected that the last contingent will be here by this evening.

REPORT OF FIRST YEAR OF FARMERS' ELEVATOR COMPANY

Calgary, Alb., Oct. 16.—Four hundred delegates representing 6,000 shareholders of the Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company, an offshoot of the United Farmers of Alberta, met here today to review the affairs of their company for its first fiscal year.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 16.—More than 1,000 men and women, some past middle age, have enrolled in the night high school and common school opened in Spokane under the auspices of the board of education.

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Spy Among The Men From Canada

Asked Too Many Questions; Was Placed Under Arrest

TWO LIVES LOST ON VOYAGE TO ENGLAND

One Soldier Fell Overboard; Another Died After Effort to Save Him—Boxing Bout on the Way Across—Stirring Welcome in Plymouth

Plymouth, Oct. 16.—The Canadian contingent arrived in England today. Britain's mighty power on the sea was shown in its full reality when the great fleet sailed in.

The passage could not have been more pleasant for the troops.

The most exciting incidents were the arrest of a supposed German spy and two British, that of a man who fell overboard at sea from one ship, and that of another who died from exposure after attempting his rescue.

The supposed spy was a private in a regiment from Montreal. He is said to be of Dutch nationality and speaks several languages.

October 12 was embroiled by a ten round boxing contest between Sgt. S. H. Blake, 5th Royal Highlanders and Tommy Dwyer, a well known London professional employed on the steamer.

The troops watched the bout from different points of vantage. Blake was defeated by a terrific pace, boxing in with repeated body punches and Dwyer was unable to withstand the fierce rushes.

Blake was bitterly disappointed and straightaway challenged Dwyer, who appeared unburnt, to fight the remaining rounds there and then.

A great welcome was given the contingent at Plymouth where the rails of warships, merchantmen and other ships were lined with men, whilst thousands of people cheered to the echo each Canadian ship as it passed up the river and was given anchor for the night.

ENDS LIFE AT 86 WITH TWO BULLETS

Pittsfield, Me., Oct. 16.—Samuel Pushor, aged 86, one of the town's oldest residents, died at the home of his niece, Mrs. Arthur Grant, where he was making his home. He died at nine o'clock. Dr. Pushor found two bullet holes in the head. A thirty-two-calibre revolver was found, also blood in Mr. Pushor's trunk, evidently showing that after firing the first shot, which went in over the eye, he went to his trunk and procured another cartridge which he fired, entering near the temple. Despondency is considered to be the cause of the act.

P. E. I. SENDS GOODS TO RED CROSS AND BELGIANS

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Oct. 16.—The first shipment of goods to the Red Cross consists of nine large cases and two barrels containing clothing and a large quantity of bandages, etc.

The second shipment of clothing and food for the Belgians left this morning for Halifax. It consists of 140 cases of cheese and thirty-two cases of flour, biscuits, canned goods, etc. There is a great quantity of clothing yet to be sent and contributions are still pouring in.

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WAR WRITERS FOR LONDON PAPERS SEND GOOD NEWS

GERMAN EFFORTS SLACKENING AT SEVERAL POINTS

SITUATION REVIEWED

The Fighting of Last Few Days Has Been Strongly in Favor of Allies—Little Danger of Germans Reaching Channel Port Unless Heavily Reinforced

London, Oct. 16.—The Paris correspondent of the Times in a review of the situation on the French battle front says: "The German army corps which drove the French from Lille, had little effect upon the whole situation. Between the river Lys and the town of Labasse, thirteen miles southwest of Lille, the situation remains unchanged. The Germans destroyed the town hall at Arras, a fine sixteenth century building.

"The enemy has abandoned the attempt to batter a way to Paris through Roye, although guns are still active there. The enemy is also slackening his efforts on the heights of Brimont, and southeast of Rheims, where the allies have taken several formidable trenches.

"The German effort to envelop Verdun from the north and from the southeast, have been defeated. The position of the German wedge, pushed through from front points of vantage, is becoming more and more uncomfortable.

London, Oct. 16.—"The severe fighting of the last few days, mainly in the northwest of France," says the Paris correspondent of the Express, "has resulted in a decided advantage for the allies. The Germans bring heavy reinforcements there is little danger of their reaching a channel port.

"Albert and Arras are in the hands of the French, but are still being bombarded. The French army corps has captured thirty-six field guns. The Germans are continually receiving reinforcements of guns and men but the allies are also strengthening their lines.

"Between Roye and Landevy the battle is still undecided. Many of the towns have been reduced and none of the civil population remains. The French railways have been a heavy asset for the allies, enabling them to move troops rapidly and smoothly, whenever needed.

HARVARD PROFESSOR OFFERS TO RESIGN

This is Outcome of Englishman's Threat to Cut Off \$10,000,000 Bequest

Boston, Oct. 16.—Hugo Munsterberg, professor of psychology at Harvard has offered his resignation to President Lowell. This action is the result of a letter sent by Major Clarence Wiener of London to the overseers of the college in which he said he would change a will by which Harvard would receive \$10,000,000, unless Professor Munsterberg's letter and Professor Munsterberg's resignation were accepted.

UNKNOWN MAN THROWS HIMSELF BEFORE ST. JOHN TRAIN; IS KILLED

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 16.—An unknown man was run over by the St. John express outward this morning at Bedford and instantly killed. There was nothing by which he could be identified. It is thought it was a case of suicide, as the man was observed to be acting strangely some time before the train came along. He ran towards it and threw himself on the track. His clothing seemed to indicate that he might have been a seaman.

BACK TO ST. JOHN; SEES OUTLOOK BETTER HERE

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PANAMA CANAL TROUBLE

Washington, D. C., Oct. 16.—Traffic through the Panama Canal, blocked by a land slide on Tuesday night, will be reopened in about a week unless there are further earth movements. The canal is blocked for about 1,000 feet.

GERMAN TORPEDO SENDS TO BOTTOM ANOTHER BRITISH CRUISER, WITH 350 MEN

The Hawke Sunk by Submarine in North Sea and But Fifty of Her Crew Saved—Disaster But Three Weeks After Loss of Aboukir, Hague and Cressy

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The admiralty has given out the following announcement: His Majesty's ship Theseus, Captain Hugh Edwards, was attacked by a submarine in the northern waters of the North Sea yesterday afternoon, but was missed. H. M. S. Hawke, captain M. P. E. T. Williams, was attacked about the same time, and was sunk. Three officers and forty-nine men of the crew have been landed at Aberdeen from a trawler.

London, Oct. 16.—The British cruiser Hawke has been sunk in the North Sea by a German submarine. Out of a crew of 400 men, fifty were saved. The statement has been officially confirmed. The Hawke was of 7,350 tons displacement. She was 360 feet long, of sixty feet beam and drew 23 feet of water. She was a sister ship of the Edgar, Endymion, Grafton, Theseus and Gibraltar, and was launched in 1891.

Her armament consisted of two 9.2 inch guns, ten six inch guns, twelve six pounders, five three pounders, two machine guns and two torpedo tubes. Her complement is given as 544 men, but she may well have had fewer on board when she went down.

The Hawke was commanded, according to the British Admiralty list of September, 1914, by Captain Hugh P. E. T. Williams, and among her officers were Commander Bernard A. Pratt Barlow and Lieutenant-Commander Robert R. Rosoman.

This disaster to the Hawke follows, by about three weeks, the sinking of the British cruisers Aboukir, Hogue and Cressy in the North Sea. These vessels succumbed to the attack of a German submarine, and with them some sixty British officers and 1,400 men went to their death.

While the Hawke was laid down in June of 1889, she was launched at Chatham on March 11, 1891. Among her officers at the time of the disaster were eight naval cadets.

Other British warships lost since the outbreak of hostilities are the cruiser Amphion, which was sunk in the North Sea by a mine, August 6, and the cruiser Pathfinder, torpedoed in the North Sea on September 10. The loss of the Hawke makes a total of six British cruisers destroyed by Germany in the North Sea since the beginning of the war.

NEW CUBAN CONSUL HERE

C. A. Barranca Arrives to Take Over Duties of Local Office

C. A. Barranca of Havana, arrived in the city today to assume charge of the Cuban consulate. The local office was opened this year by Mr. Ledon, who has since returned to Havana.

Although he has spent twelve years in the service of his country, this is Mr. Barranca's first appointment under the British flag and he said this morning that he is looking forward with pleasure to his stay here. For eight years he was connected with the diplomatic staff in Washington and since then has been in the consulates at Mobile, San Francisco, Chicago, and latterly, at Baltimore.

It is only by chance that Mr. Barranca is in St. John instead of in Germany. He had been appointed to the consulate in Pforzheim, Baden, and only two days before the outbreak of which he was to sail war was declared and he was ordered to Havana instead. From Baltimore he has been glad to get his new appointment there.

On his return to Havana he accepted the invitation of a friend to travel with him on a German merchant vessel and had an exciting trip. The steamer was chased by two French cruisers and just got inside the three mile limit in time to avoid capture.

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ALLIES' LEFT NOW ACTIVE BETWEEN YPRES AND THE SEA

Progress of Yesterday is Confirmed Today—Heavy Reinforcements For Germans Reported on Way

Paris, Oct. 16.—The French War Office made an official announcement this afternoon as follows: The progress indicated in the communication of yesterday has been confirmed. On our left wing the field of action of the allied forces extends at the present time from the region of Ypres to the sea.

"In Russia, on the left bank of the Vistula River, the Russian troops during the day of October 13 repulsed the German attacks on Warsaw and Lvograd.

"A battle is going on south of Przemysl. GREAT REINFORCEMENTS FOR ENEMY.

London, Oct. 16.—"Important German reinforcements, especially artillery, have been sent to the west front," cables the Copenhagen correspondent of Reuters.

"My informant, who has just returned here, met at Brandenburg, twenty-eight trains of reinforcements in one hour, all packed with men and horses. He estimates the number of troops to be between 300,000 and 400,000."

BRITISH AND JAPS BOMBARDING

Tokio, Oct. 16.—An official announcement says that Japanese and British warships bombarded Iltis and Mui Chuan forts at Taing Tau on October 14, and that an aeroplane destroyed part of the batteries of the forts. In the fighting one British seaman was killed and two seamen were injured.

GERMAN SPY IS CALLED IN DOVER

Dover, Oct. 16.—A German spy in a Belgian uniform and with a Red Cross badge in his possession, was arrested last night among the Belgian refugees. He was taken to Dover Castle.

UNFORTUNATE RHEIMS

Washington, Oct. 16.—The following statement was issued by the French Embassy today: "An official telegram received this morning at the French Embassy states that there is no truth in the report from German sources that close to Rheims Cathedral two heavy French batteries have been located and light signals from the tower of the Cathedral have been observed."

"It seems from the spreading of this report that it has come to the knowledge of the Germans that the destruction of the Cathedral has been less thorough than they contemplated and that they mean to perfect their work, placing as usual, the blame on the sufferers."

SIR GEORGE FAISH IN NEW YORK ON A FINANCIAL MISSION

New York, Oct. 16.—Sir George Faish, adviser to the British Chancellor of the Exchequer, reached New York today on the steamer Baltic to confer with treasury department officials in Washington and bankers and financiers in this city in regard to establishing a basis of exchange between the United States and England.

DUTY TAKEN OFF FRESH MEAT BEING SENT INTO FRANCE

Paris, Oct. 16.—President Poincaré has signed a decree admitting fresh meat to France free of duty until further notice.