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BRITISH BATTERIES TURN BACK COUNTER ATTACK

First American Troops Landed In France U.S. TROOPS GREAT SCOTT! CAN'T HE EVEN CLOSE THE GATE

GUNFIRE OF BRITISH CHECKS ATTEMPT OF THE PRUSSIANS TO RECAPTURE LOST GROUND

Haig Quickly Stops Movement of Enemy Against His New Positions Along the Arra's Front-Successful Raid Is Made at Oppy.

London, June 27 .- British gunfire checked in its incipiency a German counter-attack attempted early today upon the new British positions on the Arras front northwes of Fontaine-les-Croisilles, it was officially announced in today's war office report.

Otherwise only raiding operations along the British front are covered by the statement, which reads: 'Another counter-attack, attempted early this morning against our new positions northwest of Fontaine-les-

Croisilles, was prevented from developing by our artillery. We made a successful raid west of Oppy and captured a few prisoners. A raid attempted by the enemy southwest of La Bassee was stopped by our fire.

YEGGMEN CRACK A SECOND SAFE ON "THE BRUCE"

Get Away With Cash From the G. T. R. Depot at Centralia.

ARE HEADED THIS WAY

Stations Suffer From Bold Depredations of Burglar Band.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Centralia, June 27.—A joy ride down the Bruce, with stops to crack the station safes of the Grand Trunk Railway, seems to be the summer occupation of one or more "yeggs" who, lacking explosives, find the section tool houses a convenient base from which to oper-

Yep! The Centralla station was crack i wide open last night, and \$34 is taken by the crooks. Also so scuits and canned goods for luck after job, and a "flop" in the tool hould it got too light to stay around longer. ny longer. Hensall got it early Tuesday morning hen the safe at the Grand Trunk epot was smashed in with a heavy laul, and a hardware store was jim-

\$1,500 in Express Orders.

The Hensall job was more productive. Eighty dollars in cash was secured, as well as railway tickets and \$1.500 worth of Canadian Express orders. It is doubtful if either the tickets or the money orders will be negotiable unless the crooks can get hold of a patent datar.

Copenhagen, June 27.-Germany i bringing strong pressure on Bulgaria induce that country to break off relaions with the United States, according and public opinion in Eulgaria is against

WANTS PRIESTS

AND PASTORS ON

Montreal, June 27 .- L'Autorite,

which blames Sir Robert Borden

for not including priests and pas-tors in his conscription bill, pub-lishes a letter, signed "An Old

"I am charitable enough to

suppose," writes the priest, "that the prime minister meant no of-

fence when he exempted the Doukhobers and the ministers of religion. If the national defence

exacts that all men, class by class, are to be placed under

arms, the members of the clergy,

in the name of dignity do not want to be excepted."

L'Autorite says that the bill lives a brevet of cowardice to

the clergy, and every ecclesiastic must have felt the blood in his veins boll with rage at such an

accusation. The "old priest"

suggests that a clause be inserted to the effect that if they are exempt from conscription, let

them be given an opportunity of

DECIDED TRIUMPH OF

isters were returned by large majori-

ties, the premier receiving nearly one

THREE YEARS IN PEN.

FOR FORMER OFFICER

WHO FORGED CHECKS

enrolling voluntarily.

COMPULSION LIST

peached - Times Blames Late Lord Kitchener.

mediate action with regard to the

Asked by Joseph King, Liberal member for North Somerset, whether Baron Hardinge, formerly governor-general and viceroy of India, was still in a position of great authority at the foreign office, Mr Bonar Law replied: questions assume that Baron Hardinge has been guilty. don't wish to make any such as sumption at present."

has been investigating the Mesopotam expedition is treated by the press as first-class sensation. Editorials conta MARTIN'S VICTORY IS

ndia, almost wholly technical Blames Kitchener.

FRENCH TAKE HUGE **CAVERN OF GERMANS**

doubtful if either the tickets or the money orders will be negotiable unless the crooks can get hold of a patent dater, as going up the Bruce, when as a matter of fact, they were coming down. London had better look out. There are lots of tool houses around London, and the station is well, if not favorably, known.

BERLIN IS PRESSING

BULGARIA TO BREAK
WITH THE STATES

Sentiment at Sofia Is Against a Rupture.

A Rupture.

Although for a time behind in the vote in Kindersley, wound up on the right side. The Hon. C. A. Dunning redeemed Moose Jaw County by 250 manager of the German made of the C. A. Dunning redeemed Moose Jaw County by 250 manager of the Hurtebise, says today's official and point of the Liberal candidate, Ross, and a Labor man, the latter polling over a thousand votes, 750 of which would have gone to Ross had it been a straight party fight.

His chief lieutenant, Bradshaw, however, was defeated in Prince Albert, Woman Candidate, Mrs. Haight, running at the capture of the Dragson, more than 100 metres wide and about 300 metres deep, which and all though for a time behind in the vote in Kindersley, wound up on the right side. The Hon. C. A. Dunning redeemed Moose Jaw County by 250 manager than the region of Hurtebise, says today's official and nouncement.

The statement follows:
The policy of the Hurtebise Monuant and the vicinity of the Hurtebise Monuant and the vicinity of the Purchalled o

ber of prisoners counted has reached 340, of whom six are officers. COMMANDER OF FRENCH

OVER TORPEDOED SHIPS

MATION'S GUARANTEES

winds: fair and moderately warm.

TELLS HIS TROOPS WHY

FRENCH ARE FIGHTING

Lange in the pententiary by Judge
Lange in the pententia Quebec, June 27.—Former Lieut. Charles Rheaume, of the 167th Battalion, C. E. F., was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary by Judge Langelier in the court of sessions yesterday on a charge of having raised the sum of \$114,503.95 by passing 98 forged checks.

HAVE LANDED

Paris, June 27.—American roops have been landed in France, it is officially announced

ENGLAND IS STIRRED OVER BLUNDERS IN **MESOPOTAMIA WAR**

One Paper Wants Asquith Im-

London, June 27 .- Andrew Bonar Law, member of the British War Council, was bombarded in the House of Commons this afternoon with questions regarding the action the Government intended to take against those accused of culpability in the report on the Mesopotamia expedition made public last night in the blue book. He replied that he would rather make no statement until the House had time to consider the report, but "it was the obvious duty of the Government to take imwho especially were accused of cul-

first-class sensation. Editorials contain bitter reproaches of persons concerned and demand their dismissal.

"Effect traditions, cheese-paring policy and general dry rot and inefficiency of the Indian command are condemned by the newspapers. The anti-Asquith press largely blames the late government. One paper calls for Former Premier Asquith's impeachment. On the other hand, the Times says it is only fair to admit that his cabinet was led completely astray by military advisers. The Times thinks the culpability of J. Austen Chamberlain, secretary for India, almost wholly technical.

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Biggest Haul at Hensall.

As at Hensall.

As at Hensall, the thieves used the crowbars and other instruments, and just mashed up the safe. Then they took the day's receipts and departed after digging a supper from an order of groceries which Mr. Hall of Centralia expected to claim today.

The men hung ar old coat over the satchewan, both men and women, the the tattion and brought the safe in the totholouse, where they took the door is men and women, the the totholouse, where they took the lidd off it, as though it was a can of beans. They replaced the tools after the "job," Very neat workmen in this case.

St,500 in Express Orders.

JIMIA almost wholly technical.

Blames Kitchener.

The Times places a large share of the blame on the late Lord Kitchener's control of the Indian army. The paper says the report goes far to windicate Lord Curzon's resignation as viceroy of India twelve years as viceroy of India twelve years that they had committed a mortal sin in voting for plaintiff, will be considered by Judge Bruneau on its merits. This morning his lordship dismissed the motion of Father Jobin's lawyers that points he report and tell the country like truth. A comparison is drawn of Germany's attempts to explain Messines and the report and tell the country like truth. A comparison is drawn of Germany's attempts to explain Messines and other reverses on the western front. Amid a flood of recrimination, room is considered by parishioners as claimed, which he did not admit, words spoken in the confessional to the truth. A comparison is drawn of Germany's attempts to explain Messines and other reverses on the western front. Amid a flood of recrimination, room is considered by parishioners. The paper says the report goes dispersed to disperse that they had committed a mortal sin in voting for blaintiff, will be considered by Judge Bruneau on its merits. This many. The

ammunition depots and electric search-lights, and a hospital relief outpost, which fell into our hands. The num-



PRIESTS AMENABLE

TO CIVIL LAW, SAYS

JUDGE OF MONTREA

No Immunity For the Catholic

RAINFALL The rainfall for Tuesday was as

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Forecasts.

Today—Fresh west and northwest inds; fair and moderately warm.

Thursday—Easterly winds; fair and large an

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'cock last night: Highest, 78; lowest, 57.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 69; lowest, 52.

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mayor's denial it is thought by the Dyer will not let the position be fit A number of policemen when as a chief, smiled broadly, and alt ment intimated that if such an appropriate the position be fit as a chief, smiled broadly, and alt for them to hand in their clothes.

TOMORROW-FAIR AND WARM. HOLLAND AND GERMANY TO FREVENT A REVOLT

REACH AN AGREEMENT

OVER TORPEDOED SHIPS

GERMANS RETIRING AS THE BRITISH INCREASE SQUEEZE AROUND LENS

LA CROIX ARTICLE WANTS THE CONFEDERATION SMASHED;

Montreal, June 27 .- La Croix, regard-

our laws in order to be able to send sent 100,000 men more to butchery, and butchery, and to any other butchery Useless then to go to France to fight which may happen in the future. They the Prussians when there is enough of would rather see us buried in some the Borden and Foster kind here, but

ary Magistrate Is Jocular-"I Guess I Can Go Six

Feet Two," He Says -- Peculiar Situation.

WHAT ALD. DYER SAYS ABOUT IT.

WOULD HE EARN THE SALARY?

MAYOR SEEMS TO KNOW ALL ABOUT IT. "I tell you that Ald. Dyer is not considering the matter at all." was the way

as a chief, smiled broadly, and although they would not make a straight state ment intimated that if such an appointment was made it would be about time

SPAIN SUSPENDED THE

However the fact remains that the alderman would not state that he would

Attacks Borden. ed as the organ of the Catholic Arch- "Protestations against this measure diocese of Montreal, comes out strong- are coming from every quarter, but Sir er than ever in this week's issue for Robert Borden, who received the word the smashing of Confederation. Last of command from London and from the week is had an article along similar Grand Lodge of Engand, of which he lines. The one this week is entitled, is a member, and whose reunions he "Let Us Kill the Octopus of Confed- must have attended during his last trip to Europe, will not listen to the lan-"Although the details of the con- guage of reason and good sense. scription bill," says La Croix, "were "Assured of the support of his parnot known, no one ignored the brutal tisans ne stops at nothing. The blood principal at its base, which an Eng- of Canadians and the fitting of Canada

lish majority wishes to introduce in count for nothing. He promised to French-Canadians to the European if they want them more will be sent battlefield than working peacefully in thank God our arms are not of this

MASSACRE OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN IS NOT THE WAY OF BRITISH

STORY SAYS DEAL IS "FRAMED" Lord Derby Refuses To Adopt Germany's Brutal Germany's Brutal Methods.

IN DAMAGE SUIT CASE Mayor Is Indignant When Que stioned and Former Tempor-ALL BOMBING MILITARY

Everything Possible Is Being Who will be appointed London's chief of police this fall? This was the chief Montreal, June 27.—The La Prairie Montreal, June 27.—The La Prairie Done To Prevent the Air Raids.

Rumor says, and she was persistent in her report, that Ald. J. J. Dyer, who with Mayor Stevenson and Squire Macklin, endeavored to hold down the job of police magistrate when Magistrate Judd was appointed judge, will be an London, June 26-(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency) .- In the House of Lords The story said that Mayor Stevenson and Ald. Dyer would vote for the apoday, Lord Derby, dealing with the pintment of the latter when the time came to select the chief. The mayor denied question of reprisals for German air aircraft were daily bombing positions in "We hear that you're going to be the next chief of police, Ald. Dyer? How bout it?" asked a reporter of the alderman this afternoon. the enemy's rear. He declared, on the about it?" asked a reporter of the alderman this afternoon.

"Well, I may be big enough for the job. I haven't found out the measurements yet," replied Ald. Dyer. "I guess I can go six foot two."

"How about the mustache?" inquired the reporter.

"Well, I can grow one and dye it white," came back the alderman "To tell our lines we dropped behind our lines we dropped a hundred behind our lines we dropped a hundred behind. Well, I can grow one and dye it white, came back the addendant to the forman lines we dropped a mandred beams you the truth, I haven't thought of the matter much as yet. You see, I couldn't the German lines. All that bombing take the job very will, being connected with the council as I am, and then again was done with a military object, but the idea of an eye for an eye and a tooth "The chief should have been superannuated long ago. He is getting \$2,800, which is more than they pay in Hamilton. I believe every man should earn his british nation, will not imitate Huns.

Will Not imitate Huns.

the advice of the priest.

No immunity.

Judge Bruneau pointed out that there is no are to profession that can claim is a till had profession that can claim is not apply for the position of the case when the right of a plaintiff, a priest, like all other citizens, was amenable to the civil courts. The plaintiffs claim constituted an allegation of an act of intimidation or an abuse of influence.

Considering the responsibility of the defendant in civil matters and the unstantiation of the confession of the con

Apparently the question had been discussed by Ald. Dyer and the mayor, for atter made a heated denial today that the alderman would apply for the

the mayor almost shouted the tidings over the phone. Notwithstanding the mayor's denial it is thought by those in close touch with the situation that Ald. Dyer will not let the position be filled without making a try for it.

A number of policemen when asked how they would like to have Ald. Dyer

FROM NORSE STEAM

NATION'S GUARANTEES

GERMAN NEWSPAPERS

papers generally refrain from bothering their readers with embarrassing details of the German bomb conspiracy at

Inclosing Movement Pushes Enemy Back To Switch System-Many Prisoners

Field, June 27 German defenders of Lens retreated today into Avion, behind the so-called "Avion-Mericourt switch line," established in the ruins of the Lens suburbs, as the British continued their inclos-

In Close Touch.

Here behind railway embankments, and slag heaps, the Germans have established machine gun fortresses. British patrols are keepinig closely in touch with the retreating enemy in all this section south of the

Many Prisoners.

West of Lens the difficulties in the way of the attacking British forces are tremendous, but prisoners pourdeclared the German deefnders were sorely pressed, and fear the worst. The British now hold all high ground

FORMER LONDON PASTOR DROPS DEAD



thing possible was being done at present to secure the defence of the country by the means of anti-aircraft. There was the closest possible co-operation with the army.

Dealing with the question of giving warning of air raids, Lord Derby stated that the naval and military authorities today were unanimously agreed that giving warning might do more harm than good.

ONLY SIX ARE SAVED

FROM NORSE STEAMER

SUNK BY SUBMARINE

London, June 27.—A Central News dispatch from Copenhagen says the Norwegian steamship Kong Haakon has been sunk by a German submariae and that only six of the crew were saved. (There are two Norwegian ships Kong Haakon of 2,231 and 874 tons, 1870 Maggie, 1,118 tons, gross), has been sunk in the Atlantic. The crew was saved.

London June 72.—The American sail-lated the same of the country with the means of anti-aircraft. There was about 60 years of age, and leaves a wife and four sons.—Dr. W. H. Birks, Sarnia; Rev. R. T. Birks, missionary in China, and two young lads at home

Rev. A. K. Birks was well known in this city, having been pastor of the Askin Street Methodist Church until about six years ago. He was previous to that in charge of the Colborne Street Methodist Church. J. F. Maine of the London Life Insurance Company this afternoon received a telephone message from Arthur Birks, in which the son informed Mr. Maine that he and his father had been out fixing the roadway to the garage, and that suddenly Mr. Birks afternoon received a telephone message from Arthur Birks, son of Rev. Mr. Birks, in which the son informed Mr. Maine that he and his father had been out fixing the roadway to the garage, and that suddenly Mr. Birks was well known in this city, having been pastor of the Colborne Street Methodist Church. J. F. Maine of the London Life Insurance Company this afternoon received a telephone message from Arthur Birks, son of Rev. Mr. Birks, in which the son informed Mr. Maine that he and his father had been out fixing the roadway to the garage, and that suddenly Mr. Birks was well known i

London June 72.—The American sailing ship Galina, 391 tons, was sunk by a bomb on June 25. There were no casualties.

GERMAN NEWSPAPERS
IGNORING BOMB PLOT
UNEARTHED BY NORSE

Copenhagen, June 27.—German newspapers generally refer to the control of the control o

TINO'S MEN IN MUNICH. their readers with embarrassing details of the German bomb conspiracy at Christiania. They eliminated yesterday from a Norwegian news agency distingt ity in the plot to sink ships and suppressed entirely today dispatches in plicating the German official courier and the German legation.

TINO'S MEN IN MUNICH.

Copenhagen, June 27.—Four members of Greece, including Professor Georgios Streit, formerly foreign minister, arrived at Munich Monday morning. They pressed entirely today dispatches in plicating the German official courier and the German legation.