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Russians Defeat The Germans Decisively In Poland - Is Chief Fighting News of The Day

Czar's Men Break Up Great Army of the Kaiser In All-Important Battle

Stirring News From Unofficial Sources is Confirmed by Staid Official Announcement From Petrograd—Enemy Fleeing Towards Frontier, Says One Report — An Entire Regiment Surrenders

Paris, Nov. 24.—The Petrograd correspondent of the Matin says: "The Russians, after having checked the German offensive on the Plock-Leszyn front, gained on that side a brilliant decisive victory. The enemy, who had heavy losses, is flying with all speed toward the German frontier. An entire German regiment surrendered to the victors. The Russians are energetically pursuing the enemy."

"The Russians also are vigorously attacking along the Czestochowa-Cracon line. This day seems to mark one of the most important and, perhaps, the decisive phases of the war."

GERMAN ARMY BROKEN UP

London, Nov. 24.—The Times' Petrograd correspondent, in a despatch, supplementing one declaring that private advice received in the Russian capital had confirmed the reports of a Russian victory over the Germans in Poland, says:

"According to unofficial information, reaching here, the German army of 400,000, which made an eruption between the Vistula and Warta Rivers, has been broken up into several parts, one of which is compelled to divert its course southward, and another northward."

"Apparently in each case the Russian forces succeeded in getting behind these disjointed corps and inflicted upon them great losses. The Germans are believed to have suffered very heavy reverses at Brezany and Tuszyn. It is impossible to give even approximate figures."

GERMAN RETREAT, OFFICIAL STATEMENT

London, Nov. 24.—An official communication given out in Petrograd, according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch, announces a German retreat in Poland. The statement follows:

"Between the Vistula and the Warta the Germans have retreated from the line running from Strykowo, Zgierz, Szadek, Zunska wola and Wozniki."

The line from which the Germans have retreated, according to the despatch, runs from the northeast of Lodz down past Mlowna, and to the southwest.

NEARLY 600 NOW IN THE 26TH

Recruiting Campaign Being Carried on With Spirit — A Clerks' Company—Local Soldier News

Slowly but steadily the ranks are filling. The tramp of marching feet is heard louder, swelled by sturdy ranks of the city and province adding to the many already enrolled—will it be the tramp of a thousand? "Your King and Country Need You" was the message on leaflets carried through the city today in front of every street car. "Your King and Country Need You" is on orange printed sheets in store windows and on billboards. "Your King and Country Need You" is heard on all sides today, there is no fear but that the call will be heard. But will the summons be fully answered?

Already 591 have been enrolled. As many more are needed. New Brunswick will have to seek in other fields to fill the places of her sons. "Fifty men a day" is the watchword, and that number must daily be secured for the New Brunswick battalion will be dependent upon west for its men. Today automobile sites of recruiting officers again visited outlying sections of the county and added more names to the lists. Other officers were busy about the city and are conducting a tour of the various business houses, with the hope of being able to form a "clerks' company" in this or they are meeting with a ready response. Some fifteen men were taken on the strength of the 26th this morning at the army, almost all of whom were from St. John, while there were several expected from rural parts. By tonight the expectations are that the battalion will have about 600 men.

LEVIS STATION AFIRE

Levis, Que., Nov. 24.—Fire breaking out a little before noon today in the sheds in the rear of the I. C. R. Grand Trunk, and Quebec Central station in this city, got beyond the control of the local fire-fighters, and soon attacked the station. At twelve thirty the station is a mass of flames, and its doom is inevitable.

YOUNG WOMAN OF PA R.B.BRD IS DR.W ED IN LAKE

Parrsboro, N. S., Nov. 24.—Miss Josephine Card, aged twenty-five, daughter of Captain James P. Card, drowned herself in a lake near her home last night. She had been melancholy recently.

THE WHEAT MARKET

Chicago, Nov. 24.—Diminishing receipts in the northwest helped today to make wheat prices hard. Adverse weather reports from Argentina counted also against the bears. Trade, however, was light. The opening, which ranged from 1.8 to 1.4, to 8-4 up, was followed by a slight reaction but then the market rose higher than before.

HOME MISSIONS

Among the members of the Presbyterian Home Mission board meeting today in Halifax are Rev. Gordon Dickie, Rev. James Ross and S. R. Jack, elder of this city, and Rev. Frank Baird of Woodstock, clerk of the St. John Presbytery. They are expected to return home tomorrow morning.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Sitarski, director of meteorological service.

New England Forecasts—Partly cloudy night; warmer Wednesday, probably sunnier and warmer, moderate southwest wind.

Synopsis—Pressure is falling quickly over the upper lake region and strong easterly to westerly winds over the Lakes. The weather is fair and mild from Ontario to the maritime provinces and mild in the west.

Milder. Maritime—Strong northwest shifting to southwest wind, fair and cold turning milder on Wednesday.

D.D. DAMAGE AT ZEPPELIN SHEDS

More Details of Thrilling Raid By Aviators

WERE THERE FOUR AIRMEN?

Report in Switzerland Says One Was Drowned—New Zeppelin, Just Ready, Said to Have Been Badly Damaged

TURNING OF TIDE IN FAVOR OF RUSSIANS; NO CHANGE IN CONDITIONS IN BELGIUM AND FRANCE

Accepting the official reports of the Russians as correct, the tide of the great battle in Poland, has turned in their favor. How important the change is and to what extent it will influence future operations in the struggle between Russia and Germany was not apparent today.

The Russian war office, whose statements were vague and noncommittal for several days, when the tension was running highest, and the Germans, to all accounts, were pressing swiftly toward Warsaw, made today its first definite announcement concerning the crucial battle. It is announced that between the Vistula and the Warta Rivers, the Germans had retreated. Germany's latest official statement gave partial confirmation, although there was no hint of a retreat. It was to the effect that the arrival of Russian reinforcements had postponed the decision.

In the war with Turkey, also, Russia claims the advantage. The forces which pushed down through the Caucasus into Turkey which Petrograd admitted a few days ago had been compelled to retreat, are now said to have assumed the offensive and to have pushed toward Erzerum, a Turkish city near the eastern end of the Black Sea. The general staff of the army of the Caucasus announces that a Turkish column was put to rout.

It states also that the Turks were defeated in two engagements in northern Persia.

In the west the opposing armies still held to the positions which they have maintained with few changes, for the last two months. Here and there along the 300 mile line, notably at Ypres and Soissons, and in the Argonne, there was splintered fighting but apparently with no results other than momentary advantages for one side or the other.

Germany scouted the idea that she is desirous of making peace. The semi-official Cologne Gazette characterizes reports of this nature as belonging to "The region of high political idocy."

OFFICIAL FRENCH STATEMENT

Paris, Nov. 24.—The official statement given out in Paris this afternoon says that generally speaking the situation on November 23 showed no changes of importance.

The text of the communication follows: "Speaking generally, it may be said that the situation during the day of November 23, has shown no important changes."

"Along the greater part of the front, the enemy manifested his activity particularly by an intermittent cannonading, which was, however, less spirited than on the preceding day."

"Nevertheless there were here and there some infantry attacks, all of which were repulsed. As we have come to expect these attacks were particularly violent in the Argonne, here we gained some territory, and in the region of Four-de-France."

"There is nothing to report between the Argonne and the Vosges and further west, where a very heavy fog has interfered with operations."

"The sanitary conditions of the troops are favorable."

FIFTEEN MEN FROM M.R.A.'S GO TO BATTLE

Positions Held For Them and Wages Paid While They Are With Colors

A fine example of generosity in the treatment of employees who are enlisting is being given by Manchester, Robertson, Allison, Ltd. If all employers were so liberal many men, who are anxious to fight, but who are deterred by the knowledge that their allowances from the department of militia would not be sufficient for those who are left behind, would feel free to join the ranks.

With first contingent.—Edward Slader, W. D. Henderson, Fred Spencer, N. W. Wade and Robert Webb.

For second contingent, John Johnson, George H. Heyter, E. E. Napier, S. J. Marwood, E. C. Vincent, Walter S. Nelson, F. J. Howard, Arnold Frane, H. V. Berry and William Chambers.

It is expected that there will be further additions to the roll of honor before the second contingent leaves.

TWELVE FROM LUDLOW STREET CHURCH TO FIGHT FOR THE KING

In Ludlow street Baptist school room last evening a well attended patriotic meeting was held, and a stirring address entitled "German Imperialism vs. Anglo-Saxon Democracy" was delivered by Rev. R. J. Houghton. He was heartily received and at the close was tendered a vote of thanks by Miss E. G. Cochran, the president of the Y. P. S. C., whose words auspicious the gathering was held.

The vote of thanks was moved by Rev. R. H. Parsons and seconded by Deacon John P. Ring. Patriotic songs and music were given during the evening. So far eleven young men of the church have volunteered for active service and another, Mr. N. Anderson, announced last night that he was going.

Rev. W. R. Robinson was receiving congratulations on Sunday on having completed six years in the pulpit of Ludlow street Baptist church.

DEATH OF MRS. JOHN S. HALL

Many friends will hear with regret of the death of Mrs. Deborah E. Hall, wife of Major John S. Hall, which occurred at her residence, 160 King street east, early this morning. Until Thursday Mrs. Hall had been enjoying the best of health, and was able to go out to church, but she took suddenly ill on Friday and passed away peacefully today. Mrs. Hall was born in this city and had resided here all her life. Besides her husband, who has reached the great age of ninety-two years, she is survived by five daughters. Mrs. Hall had been a regular attendant at Trinity church during her whole life. She was greatly respected by all who knew her and there are many who will miss her. Her funeral will be held at her home tomorrow morning.

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ST. JOHN CLERGYMEN GO TO WAR AS CHAPLAINS

Rev. Mr. Kuhring and Rev. Dr. Macdonald Accepted

WORD RECEIVED TODAY

Two Sons of Former Also Anxious To Take Share of Empire Burden—Son of Mr. Macdonald Already in Army

Two local clergymen received word this morning that they had been accepted as chaplains to go with the second contingent of the Canadian expeditionary force. The two men selected from several applications were Rev. Gustav A. Kuhring, rector of St. John's (Stone) church, and Rev. J. H. Macdonald, D.D., editor of the Maritime Baptist. Both men have had many years of experience in the ministry, and their services will be invaluable to thousands of sufferers on the battlefield. It is also worthy of note that sons of each of these gentlemen have offered their services.

Dr. Macdonald has been the able editor of the Maritime Baptist for the last few months. Previous to that time he was pastor of Toronto Memorial church, Ottawa, and for thirteen years before that was pastor of Brunswick street Baptist church, Fredericton. During his pastorate in Fredericton, Dr. Macdonald was chaplain of the 1st Regiment. Dr. Macdonald added this morning he could have gone with the first contingent but that his son Eric had enlisted and he felt that it would be too great a burden for Mrs. Macdonald to be left all alone. He has, however, since realized the seriousness of the situation, and offered his services for the second contingent, which have been duly accepted.

Mr. Kuhring is well known in the city, having been rector of Stone Church for nearly eight years. Previous to that he was rector of a Toronto church. At the time he offered his services as chaplain, he was granted leave of absence by the vestry of Stone Church and by the bishop, in case he should be accepted. A son of Mr. Kuhring is among the U. N. B. students who have offered their services, and a meeting of the faculty will be held this afternoon to decide whether or not they can go. Another son is also anxious to get to the front.

Each clergyman has expressed himself pleased with his appointment. Each has received word to enlist himself in readiness for further orders.

THE FUNDS

Contributions for the Belgian relief fund have been received at City Hall as follows:—Collected at Silver Falls by Mrs. Snodgrass, Miss Jordan and Mrs. Pinkerton, as follows:—Samuel Creighton, \$5, Samuel Armstrong, \$5; Joseph Arturs, \$1; Fred Snodgrass, \$1; Mrs. Thomas Shillington, \$1; Henry Shillington, \$1; Mrs. Geo. Garnet, \$1; Mrs. Allen Bustin, \$1; Mrs. Hulme, \$1; Mrs. Frank Bustin, \$1; Mrs. H. Creighton, \$1; Mrs. M. Myles, \$5; Jack Smith, \$5; C. Tolmer, \$5; Mrs. Lamb, \$5; Mrs. G. McAfee, \$5; Mrs. Ed. Shillington, \$5; Mrs. R. D. Coles, \$5; Mrs. A. E. Joseph, \$5; George Kerr, \$5; John Arthur, \$10; Mrs. N. Owens, \$5; David Arthur, \$5; Total, \$29.50.

Parish of St. Francis, Madawaska, collected by Rev. Father Dumond, \$6; Miss Alice Desrochers, Bon Secours, Kent county, \$1; Dr. A. H. Merrill, \$20; from basket social held by Catholic people of Fredericton, Road 2, Mission, per John O'Sullivan, \$74.25; People of Young's Cove, N. B., collected by Rev. E. J. P. and Mrs. Wm. Sweeney, \$5; Isaac Snodgrass, \$5; A. W. Smith, \$1; \$1.50, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McLean, \$2; Wm. A. Gale, \$1; Wellington Hotel, \$1, total, \$118.50.

FAT FEES FOR THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL

Succession Duties to Give Province Record Contribution in Coming Year — Fatality in Maine

Federicton, N. B., Nov. 24.—The government of New Brunswick is likely to collect a record breaking revenue from succession duties during the coming year. It is said that three citizens of St. John who own large estates and real estate aggregating more than a million dollars. Then there is the case of Lord Stillsmead, who owns a large stock of sheep in the New Brunswick Railway Company, which owns many thousands of acres of timber land in York, Carleton, Victoria and Madawaska, and worth, it is said, some \$4,000,000. His interest in this property is liable to succession duties and negotiations for settlements are now being carried on. Last year the attorney general was paid \$3,000 for collecting succession duties, and already the present attorney general has upwards of \$10,000 in sight.

Stillsmead, a prosperous farmer of Carleton Place, a former resident of Southampton, York Co., was accidentally killed on last Friday by a premature explosion of dynamite on his farm. His face and part of his head was blown off. He had set the dynamite to explode next morning, while probing at it with a crowbar it went off. His body was found by his brother. Interment was at Southampton on Sunday.

FINALLY GET THERE

The embargo that was placed on all cattle from Canada during the outbreak of the foot and mouth disease epidemic in the United States was the cause of two carloads of sheep enjoying an excursion about the country. The sheep were shipped two weeks ago and arrived at Boston about the time the embargo was placed on Canadian cattle. They were from Kane & McQuaid, of this city and were destined for Armour & Co., Chicago. On account of the ban on the Canadian animals they were sent back to the shippers here. They immediately prepared the woolly fellows for shipment to Montreal, and they were in the cars, ready to leave on Saturday, when the announcement came that the embargo had been lifted. So they were sent along to Chicago, for which city they were originally intended.

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