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RUSSIANS HAVE GERMANS HELD ALONG WHOLE EASTERN FRONT

Optimistic Statement Made By Czar's War Minister

GERMANS ATTACK AGAIN IN WEST BUT ARE REPULSED

Driven Off Three Times in the Vicinity of Souchez—Germans Also Fail in Attempt to Break Through the Belgian Lines Along the Yser

Paris, Oct. 18—The Petrograd correspondent of the Petit Parisien in a despatch declares that General Alex Polivanoff, the Russian minister of war, stated that during the last month the German offensive has been checked along the whole front and that every step in advance has been costing the enemy more than did every verst during August, while at many important points the Russian army is progressing.

General Polivanoff concluded that the state of equilibrum has thus been broken slightly in favor of the Russians, whose progress, he said, could only go on improving.

Paris, Oct. 18—The French War Office reports:

"Three new attacks on the part of the enemy against our positions at Bois-En-Hache, to the northeast of Souchez, were completely checked last night by curtains of fire, in which both artillery and infantry participated.

"To the south of the river Somme, in the sector of Lihons, there has been almost continual fighting with trench weapons while, in the meantime, our batteries directed an effective fire against the German works.

"To the north of Verdun, German forces have endeavored to occupy the craters of certain mines, recently exploded, between the lines. They everywhere have been repulsed.

"Last night witnessed very spirited infantry fire between the trenches in the vicinity. Our artillery in the same regions has dispersed groups of pioneers of the enemy, particularly to the east of Eply and near Cremecey and Bioncourt, and it has also bombarded the railroad station at Blamont."

GERMANS NOT WELL OFF FOR MEN IN WEST

Paris, Oct. 18—According to a Havas News Agency despatch from Geneva the German troops bearing the brunt of the attack along the Champagne front, are not a homogeneous force and their condition and equipment is far from being up to the standard. The forces on the German side in the Champagne, are reported made up of fifty-six regiments hastily formed from scattered units of many other regiments, and various corps. A complete list of these is given, showing a heterogeneous assemblage of regulars, landwehr, reservists and guards, some of whom had just arrived from the Russian front, the guards going directly from their trains to the firing line."

FAIL TO BREAK THROUGH BELGIANS

La Panne, Belgium, Oct. 18—The Belgische Standardt says that a terrible bombardment was in progress along the Yser front on Saturday and Sunday nights near Dixmude and Ypres. This was the prelude to an attempt by the Germans to break the Belgian lines. The Belgian artillery returned the fire, shelling the enemy's communication trenches and scattering his infantry as they leaped from the trenches. A second attack on a smaler scale also was repulsed.

This offensive took place in the Dixmude region, at a spot known as "Death's Highway," which has been stubbornly disputed by both sides. Although mowed down in rows, the Belgians have been holding their own and not yielding an inch of ground.

Attack on Switzerland

Chaux des Fonds, Switzerland, Oct. 18—A foreign aeroplane passed yesterday afternoon over this town, which is near the French border and dropped three bombs. One adult and one child were wounded.

WHEAT MARKET BREAK

Chicago, Oct. 18—Wheat prices underwent a setback today. After opening 1-8 to 7-8 lower, the market rallied a little but then suffered a decided break. Initial quotations were 108 to 108 1-2 for December and 109 to 109 3-8 for May.

Canada Must Do More!

Ottawa So Reads Kitchener's Call—Likely 200,000 Fighting Men by Spring

Ottawa, Oct. 18—Lord Kitchener's call for 3,000,000 men and the urgent necessity of recruiting in order to bring the war to a speedy and successful conclusion is taken as involving the need of Canada contributing a more effective quota than at present.

It is reasonable to anticipate that in the course of a few weeks, or at any event before long, authority will be issued for raising additional troops in this country. By spring it is probable that upwards of 200,000 will have been enlisted or will be in process of recruiting.

At the present time about 140,000 men have been enlisted. There are 60,000 at the front, 30,000 in England, 32,0000 training in Canada, about 10,000 doing guard duty in different parts of the dominion, while to this should be added about 10,000 casualties, probably half of the victims having been able to return to the front.

EXPECT 1,100 MEN UNDER CANVAS ON HALIFAX COMMONS THIS WEEK

Soldiers Arriving in Large Numbers —Good Showing of the U. N. B.—Maritime Province News of War

Nine hundred and seventy-five men of the Eighty-Fifth Nova Scotian Battalion slept under canvas on the Commons last night, and by the beginning of next week there will be, it is expected, at least 1,100 men here, said Saturday's Halifax Echo.

The Eighty-Fifth now boasts two bands with prospects of more to come. These two are the Pipers of the 76th Colchester Regiment from Truro, and the band of the 78th Pictou Highlanders.

There are now 205 tents pitched on the Commons at Halifax, with a total capacity of accommodation for about 1,200 men. The largest detachment of recruits arriving on Friday was that from Cumberland, Colchester and Antigonish, totally 387. A special arrived from Sydney having on board 241 men recruited in Sydney, Glace Bay and other towns and districts of Cape Breton. In all some 750 reached Halifax on Friday.

Halifax Soldier Killed.

Corporal Harold Wilford Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bennett of Halifax, has been killed in action in France. He was twenty-two years of age, and a member of the 25th Battalion.

Father Savage's Nephew.

Private Edward Chisholm, son of Mrs. Mary Chisholm, of Moncton, has written home from France that he was in good help and "carrying on," his part with the 46th Battalion. He enlisted in the west. Private Chisholm is a nephew of Rev. Father Savage, of Moncton.

Writes of Battle in Air.

Captain E. A. Williams, of Moncton, in a recent letter home, gave an interesting description of a fight between allies' and German air machines, in which the latter were brought down.

Burtt's Corner Machine Gun.

Lieut. Beverley Lawrence has been in touch with Sir Sam Hughes and Major General Rutherford, officer commanding the 6th Military Division, regarding the raising of a machine gun section at Burtt's Corner. The people have contributed the money for a gun and desire that it be manned by recruits from that district. If this is sanctioned by the military authorities Lieut. Lawrence will get the necessary men. He has offered himself to go overseas.

Good Showing of U. N. B.

Of University of New Brunswick students enrolled during the last year, 25 per cent have enlisted for the war. They number forty. They are Geo. B. Alexander, John L. Morrison, John L. Brewer, Charles L. Dougherty, Lieutenant Ralph M. Murray, Captain Horace H. VanWart, Herbert A. deVeber, G. B. Masdonald Fraser, Thomas J. Gorman, John B. Hipwell, Harry L. Holman, Jas. C. Ketchum, Wm. J. Lawson, Louis J. Lockary, Frank J. McGibbon, Cortlandt D. Otty, Hon. Captain Chester S. Alexander (Y. M. C. A.), Clarence B. Burden, Norman D. Cass, Lieutenant G. Alvah Good, Joseph D. Hickman, Gustav Kuhring, Chauncey D. Orchard, Lieutenant Hubert P. Osborne, Chas. R. Townsend, C. Clifford Atkinson, Frederick W. Alexander, Lieutenant G. Ronald Barnes, Fred J. Bateman, Frank C. Jewett, Stewart E. Kitchen, Lieutenant Austin R. Murray, Harold D. Otty, Theodore C. Barker, John F. Harvey, Charles G. Masters, Harold O. McInerney, Frederick D. Foley, Harry A. Gibson, Harold M. Phinney.

Newcastle Recruits.

Seven men have lately been recruited at Newcastle for the front. They are C. F. Hibbert, of the Bank of Nova Scotia, Newcastle, and Roy Johnston, of Loggieville, to the 85th; Pierce Rouan, Newcastle, and H. Warren Nelson, both of the wireless garrison, to the 64th; Edmund and Amandee Richard, of Richibucto Village, to the 88th.

Sackville Recruits.

Ten or twelve recruits left Sackville on Friday morning to join the 85th Battalion at Halifax.

Enlistment in Charlotte.

Between 400 and 500, nearer the latter figure, recruits have gone from Charlotte county. Most of these were from St. Stephen, Milltown, St. Andrews, St. George, and Penfield. The recruiting on Grand Manan, Campobello and Deer Island has been disappointing, but the military authorities and citizens' committee of St. Stephen are not at all discouraged with respect to these places, feeling that the proper educational work would bring about the desired results. What is said with respect to these three islands would almost also apply to La-Tete' L'Etang, Beaver Harbor, Black's Harbor and Back Bay. Steps will be taken for a forward movement in all these places.

Some of the Charlotte County families have very nobly responded. Capt. Ryder has given four sons to the colors, and it is only some defect of eyesight that prevents himself from being at the front. Mrs. Miller, of McAdam Junction, who has also given four sons. Three of the sons of Senator Gilmor have enlisted. Two sons of James Murray and also two sons of Mayor Grimmer, of St. Stephen, are enrolled. Mrs. P. McNamara has three sons and Edward McLay has two sons in khaki. Mrs. Deacon, of Milltown, has one son in the 12th Battalion and one in the 55th. Other Charlotte County representatives are two sons of Robert Anderson, two of Robert Purton, three of Mrs. Murray, two of Frank Bussell, two of Chas. Damon, two of Charles Fisher, two of Mrs. Henry, two of Vaughan Dewar, two of Laughlin Cameron, two of Earle McLaughlin. Mr. Cameron and Mr. McLaughlin have each lost a boy, both being killed in action. This does not pretend to be a complete list of those who have each given more than one son to the colors.

The first step towards interesting the ladies of Charlotte in the forward recruiting movement took place in St. Stephen on Thanksgiving afternoon, when a meeting was held under the auspices of the Women's Canadian Club. Mrs. George J. Clarke, wife of Premier Clarke, presided. The principal features were addresses by Mrs. P. R. Warren, wife of Mr. Warren, engineer on the Courtenay Bay work at St. John, and by Premier Clarke.

A Fighting Family

Word was received at Chignecto Mines on Thursday that Elmore McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Renforth McDonald, has been wounded in an engagement in Flanders. He went to the front some months ago. The father and another son who have been acting as guards at the detention camp have now both volunteered for overseas service.

Three Brothers Enlisted

With the enlistment of Lenos Smith, three sons have gone from the family of Sidney Smith of Nappan, N. S. to serve the empire overseas. Some time ago, Mr. Smith's son, Cecil, enlisted with the 40th Battalion. A little later a second son, Cyrus enlisted with the 64th. The third son, Lenos, is joining the 85th.

Well Done Cumberland

Amherst News, Friday: Fifty one men from Amherst and vicinity entrained this morning for Halifax. One hundred and odd recruits will arrive in the garrison city from Cumberland this afternoon. The remainder of the hundred will be pickel up at Maccan, Springhill Junction and Oxford Junction. All told so far Cumberland has provided about 175 men for the 85th and it is expected that there will still be more recruits offering.

At Halifax

Sergt. Knight is taking part in a great recruiting campaign in Halifax this week. Ten recruits were secured on Friday. Four street railway men enlisted Thursday and Friday. Two officers of the R. M. S. Caraquet also enlisted. They were Charles H. Ray, Southampton, Eng., third enginer, and Joseph P. Mulhall, Dublin, wireless operator on the ship.

He Joins the 88th

H. A. Boggs, senior clerk of Halifax post office staff, was presented with a wrist watch by the rest of the staff on the occasion of his leaving for New Brunswick to assume the post of third

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Current Now Against The Teutons

Move in Balkans a Gamester's Throw After Defeat in West—Only Hope is to Disrupt Entente

New York, Oct. 18—A cable from London to the Herald, says:

The Daily Telegraph this morning corroborates the contention of the European edition of the Herald, that the Austro-German-Balkan adventure, is the desperate throw of a gamester who, beat on the western front and with the Czar's armies recuperated and dealing smashing blows in the east, is risking annihilation in Russia by withdrawing his troops from there, to ensure victory in the Balkans in the hope that this will avert his ruin by shaking the resolution and weakening the unity of the allies.

Nothing the enemy can do in this field of war can reverse the current of events now flowing against the Austro-Germans. Only the disruption of the great alliance can do that.

HEADED OFF IN WEST, MAKE EASTWARD TO SEIZE SUEZ?

Lord Northcliffe's Views of War Situation at the Moment

SAYS GERMANS WILL FAIL IN EAST AS IN THE WEST

Immense Further Losses on Both Sides Before This Results—World in For Long Upheaval of Nature Not at Present Forseen

London, Oct. 18—In reply to a cable request for an expression of his views on the European situation, Lord Northcliffe, owner of the London Times and the London Daily Mail, cabled the following statement today:

"The new war situation is particularly interesting. The Germans, after colossal losses, have abandoned their attempt to reach Calais and their more recently expressed intention of breaking through the line at Arras and cutting off the whole British army. My own correspondents tell me that the German losses during the last fortnight in front of the British lines have been immense.

"Though the censor does not permit us to say so, here, I am hoping that he will allow me to let the fact get through the cable that the Germans have fought with magnificent courage against our men. The Germans were mowed down last week, exactly as they were mowed down in the first battle of Ypres.

"Headed off everywhere in the west, they are now making for the east, and, by crushing little Serbia, hope to seize the Suez Canal, and hold up the British Empire for an immense indemnity. My absolute conviction is that just as they have been beaten in the attempt to get to Calais and Paris, so they will eventually, after immense further losses of life on the part of our armies and theirs, fail in the east as they have failed in the west. I still hold the opinion expressed at the beginning of the war that the world is in for a long upheaval of a nature it does not at present forsee."

AUSTRIANS ARE PLAYING OLD GERMAN GAME

Sink French Steamship Without Warning and 71 Lives Are Lost

Paris, Oct. 18—Seventy-one persons lost their lives when the French steamship Admiral Hamelin was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine. The Marseilles correspondent of the Petit Journal telegraphs that thirty-three members of the crew have reached there. The vessel was torpedoed by an Austrian submarine, without notice, and while passengers and crew were being transferred to boats, the submarine bombarded the steamer, which was struck by forty shells.

The captain of the submarine asserted as justification of his attack that the steamer was armed, but this is denied by the correspondent. The sound of firing drew a French torpedo boat, and an English hospital ship to the spot, and the wounded and many fugitives were taken aboard. The submarine fled at their approach.

DEDICATE TWO MILLION DOLLAR MASONIC TEMPLE

Washington, Oct. 18—The new $2,000,000 Masonic temple, headquarters of the Supreme Council of Scottish Rite Free Masonry for the southern jurisdiction of the United States, the mother council of the world, was dedicated here today with elaborate ceremonies.

Among those present was Sovereign Grand Commander Benjamin Allen, of Canada.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meterological service.

Synopsis—The weather has been fair and moderately warm throughout the dominion, except in the vicinity of Lake Superior, where it has been showery. A shallow disturbance is now moving slowly across the Great Lakes.

Fair

Maritime—Light to moderate winds, shifting to eastward; fair today and most of Tuesday.

New England Forecasts—Rain tonight or Tuesday, warmer tonight in Connecticut and western Massachusetts, moderate east to southeast winds

Position in Bulgaria Captured by Allies

British, French and Serbians Have Taken Strumita—Operations on New Ground With Italians To Take Part

London, Oct. 18—Strumita, in Bulgaria, has been occupied by the allied armies of Great Britain, France and Serbia, according to official advices from Saloniki, telegraphed by Reuter's Athens correspondent. There has been no confirmation of this from Serbian sources.

Various points dominating the railway from Saloniki to the interior also are reported occupied by allied troops and the protection of the line is regarded as assured.

London, Oct. 18—Occupation of Strumitsa by the allied forces is confirmed by a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Athens. The despatch adds that the allied armies are advancing.

Allied warships are cruising in the Aegean off the Bulgarian port of Dddegatch.

BRITISH IN NEW OPERATIONS

Paris, Oct. 18—The British blockade of the Bulgarian coast, says a despatch to the Petit Journal from Athens, is a prelude to combined land and sea operations along the Aegean coast of Bulgaria and Turkey. In these operations Italy will be represented by a naval squadron and a number of transports.

Sent Back to East.

Athens, Oct. 18—According to information from a diplomatic source here, the army of General Von Linsingen, which was originally intended to be thrown by the Teutonic allies into the Serbian theatre of war, was forced to return to the eastern field of operations to face a successful advance of the Russians.

Montenegrins Do Well

London, Oct. 18—A Reuteur despatch from Cettinje, Montenegro, dated October 12, and delayed in transmission, says that attacks delivered the preceding day by the Austrians against Montenegrin positions on the Grasovo front were repulsed with heavy losses. One of three aeroplanes flying over the Montenegrin positions, fell near Plevlje, and the pilot and an officer were captured.

Is Line Cut?

Paris, Oct. 18—A despatch to the Petit Journal from Saloniki says that persistent rumors are current there that the Bulgarians have reached Vranje, and succeeded in cutting the railroad between Saloniki and Nish.

Vranje is a Serbian town about twenty miles west of the border situated on the railway where the line makes its nearest approach to Bulgaria.

Italy and the Balkans.

Rome, Oct. 18—Italy's co-operation with her allies in the Balkans may now be considered as absolutely certain, says the Correspondensa Italiana. This probably will begin with naval actions in the Aegean.

Rome, Oct. 18—The question of Italy's participation or non-participation in the Balkan campaign is still agitating the country, which is divided into two camps, one favoring the sending of troops to aid the Serbians, and the other believing that all the Italian forces are required at home.

It is asserted that the difference in opinion even extends to the cabinet.

M. DELCASSE

French Foreign Minister, who has resigned owing to ill health.

HIS FIRST TASTE OF CAKE IN SEVEN MONTHS

Driver Horace Daley, in a letter to his sister, Miss Annie M. Daley, Main street, acknowledges receipt of some socks, tobacco and cake. The cake seemed to be appreciated especially as he says it is the first he had tasted in seven months. The approach of winter was being felt in the trenches and he asks for a coat sweater to help him keep warm. He mentions receiving a letter from one of his chums and expressed the wish that the latter and some more of them were over there with him.

FIRST WOUNDED P. E. I. SOLDIER HOME FROM WAR

First Aid By Comrade Saved Life of Stephen MacKinnon

Charlottetown, Oct. 18—The first wounded island soldier to arrive from the front, Stephen MacKinnon, of Charlottetown, reached here on Saturday night. He was one of 165 wounded Canadians to land from the S. S. Metegama at Quebec. He was gun layer with an artillery battery at St. Julien when lifting his hand to the gun sight he was struck on the right shoulder with fragments of shell, and shrapnel. A fellow islander rendered first aid by tying up the arteries with a cord and thus saved his life.

SIR EDWARD GREY HAS NEW SECRETARY

London, Oct. 18—Sir William Tyrrell, private secretary to Sir Edward Grey, was obliged some time ago, to give up work because of ill-health, according to a statement issued by the foreign office. Recently, it is added, he has been able to undertake special work at the home office in connection with the war.

It is announced that Hon. Eric Drummond succeeds Sir William.

TO RE-ORGANIZE THE SHELL COMMITTEE HERE

Ottawa, Oct. 18—D. A. Thomas, representative of Hon. David Lloyd George, returned to Ottawa today, accompanied by Sir Frederick Donaldson of the Woolwich arsenal, and Leonel Hechen, of the Cammel Laird Company, experts, who have come over to re-organize the shell committee.

RUSH OF RECRUITS IN ONTARIO CITY

London, Ont., Oct. 18—Owing to the rush of recruits, orders have been issued here to take no more men for the pioneer battalion. Men on the waiting lists will likely be transferred to two other infantry battalions to be raised soon.

PORTER CHARLTON'S CASE

Como, Italy, Oct. 18—When the case of Porter Charlton, an American, charged with murdering his wife, was called today, Signor Cataneo asked for a further postponement to give Micell Picardi, Charlton's chief counsel, who is indisposed, further to study the case.

Baron Sciacca, the presiding judge, reserved decision on the motion and began trial of parts of the cases wherein a defense is not necessary.

SUMMONS TO KAISER TO MEET HIM AT FINAL GREAT TRIBUNAL

Father of Victim of Zeppelin Raid Dissatisfied With Verdict

"DEATH AS THE RESULT OF AIR RAID," SAYS JURY

Some Details of Destruction by Murderers From the Clouds are Given at Inquest Into Deaths of Victims in London

London, Oct. 18—An inquest on the bodies of the three victims of the first bomb dropping in the Zeppelin raid on last Wednesday night on the London area, and of three others who were killed or who died as the result of subsequent air bombs, all within the same area, was held today.

The verdict in each case was "death as the result of an air raid."

The father of one of the victims protested against the laconic verdict reached. He cried: "My son was murdered by the order of the Kaiser. I summon the Kaiser to meet me before the judgment seat of God to answer for the death of my son, and of those other poor people."

One of those killed by the first bomb was a railway employe. Both of his thighs were broken. His wife, who was by his side, escaped unhurt. The second was a man who was killed by broken glass, which cut right through his neck. The third victim was a woman, close by. The lower part of her spine was completely smashed.

The other dead were the victims of a bomb dropped in the middle of a wide thoroughfare. The missile pierced a gas main, causing a fire. A driver, a conductor, and a special constable were killed in a motor bus upon which the bomb plunged.

Incendiary and explosive bombs were dropped in the same spot. These pierced a water main and the rush of water quickly extinguished fire caused by the incendiary bombs, but several people passing at the time were either killed or injured. Several victims, over whose bodies the inquest was held today, died from shock or in the hospital as a result of their injuries.

George Foote Dead.

London, Oct. 18—George Foote, a free thinker, is dead. He participated in the blasphemy trial in which the late Lord Chief Justice Coleridge decided it was not illegal to attack the principles of religion, provided the language used was not improper.

THE REV. BRUCE TAYLOR

(Special Correspondence.)

London, Oct. 2—Dr. Bruce Taylor has been promoted to the rank of Honorary Major, and has been appointed Presbyterian Chaplain to the corps troops embracing the Cavalry Brigade under Col. Smart, the 42nd and 49th Battalions of the Royal Canadian Regiment and the Princess Patricias, which left England on Saturday and now are in France. It is learned from men of the corps that Dr. Bruce Taylor is immensely popular with all ranks. He is expected back in Montreal in December.

How Joffre Directed The Great Fight

Paris, Oct. 18—A Paris paper gives an account of how General Joffre directed the operations during the battle in the Champagne region.

Taking a post close to the front, in an inn keeper's kitchen, where a telephone had been installed, General Joffre, bending over a large scale map, listened to officers at the telephone, at intervals giving his orders in an absolute calm voice.

In this position, this newspaper account says, General Joffre remained longer than twenty-two hours, neither eating nor drinking during the whole time. At the end of that period, after marking certain places on the map, put down his pencil and said:

"It is [illegible]"