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**THE BERLIN REPORT.**

BERLIN, April 1.—German troops have captured the heights north of Moreuil and Arras. Wood on the western bank of the Aves, according to the official report from headquarters today. The prisoners have increased to over 75,000.

**BRITISH RETAKE WOOD.**

LONDON, April 1.—Between Moreuil and Hangard, says the war office statement on the situation in the battle zone, British cavalry in a brilliant counter attack retook a wood, which had been lost previously. The wood referred to probably is Arras, mentioned in the German official.

**NOTICE!**

Local Councils in the District of Bay-de-Verde please forward to the District Treasurer your District Assessments to avoid confusion with regard to paying Assessments at the District Meeting. When sending Assessments please give total number of members on the roll.

**WILLIAM BURSEY,**

District Treasurer,  
Caplin Cove, Bay-de-Verde.

**GERMAN TANKS ARE DESCRIBED**

German Tanks Are of Three Classes and Travelled After Infantry

LONDON, April 1 (via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—Telegraphing this evening from the French headquarters. Reuter's correspondent says: Although the soldiers believe that the enemy tanks did not participate in the first German shock, it is certain that German tanks actually took part in the operations, and the failure to see them by the soldiers was because instead of accompanying the infantry waves, the German tanks advanced later with specialist troops to destroy islands of resistance holding out after the German hordes submerged our main defences. It is thought the Germans possess a large number of tanks. We know beyond doubt that the enemy has tanks which are of three classes. The first consists of repaired captured tanks from the Cambrai battle and tanks manufactured according to the model of the British machine; the second type is a German model smaller than the British, but swifter, better armed and heavier arranged; the third are said to be twenty-six feet long, ten feet wide and eleven feet high, weighing ten metric tons. The land cruisers are forty-five feet long, thirteen feet wide and thirteen feet high. The German tanks' armament is believed to consist of a shortened 77-millimetre gun, machine guns and a flame thrower. The latter is an innovation which must add considerable efficiency to the tank in clearing trenches, owing to the capacity of the tanks to carry big reserves of combustible liquid. It is understood that the Germans have introduced a number of improvements, including heavier protection against shells and a device enabling the crew to close the tanks hermetically when traversing an area of gas. German tanks are commanded by majors. The officers are volunteers, the men specialists in motor machines, and gunners and machine gunners. In attacks the tanks are designed to advance behind the second or third waves of infantry, while detachments of infantry cover the flanks of the tanks.

**GEN. HAIG'S REPORT.**

LONDON, April 1.—The day passed comparatively quiet, says the report from General Haig tonight. Local attacks undertaken by small bodies of the enemy this morning in the neighbourhood of Albert were repulsed with loss of the greater part of their numbers. We secured a few prisoners. South of the Somme local fighting has taken place in the neighbourhood of Moreuil and Hangard. We gained ground in this area by successful counter attacks.

**GERMAN LOSSES ARE 300,000 MEN.**

WASHINGTON, April 1.—A French official estimate of the German losses in the great battle on the west front puts their total casualties at between 275,000 and 300,000 men. The Germans are sending most of their wounded to Belgium, it is declared, to conceal from the German people their heavy sacrifices.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

LONDON, April 1 (via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—The Cape Town Assembly carried by a vote of 63 to 21 General Botha's motion of the 27th inst. The minority consisted of the Nationalists. The Opposition leader expressed a sense of satisfaction which all parts of the Empire feel at Premier Botha personally moving the resolution.

**READ THE ADVOCATE****TO-DAY'S EARLY CABLES****MAGNIFICENT RESISTANCE AT ARRAS.**

LONDON, April 1.—Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters in France telegraphs to-day: A counter attack north of the Luce river re-established our line between Aubercourt and Marcel Cove. There was incessant fighting all day in this district. Villers Bretonneux, which is the next place west on the main Amiens road, was heavily shelled. Masses of the enemy yesterday afternoon advanced from the direction of Vreley and Bouchair. Despite our artillery concentration they penetrated the wood north east of Moreuil. A hostile party approaching in the evening were killed or captured. Our armored cars did good work during the recent fighting frequently dispersing bodies of the enemy by machine guns and adding heavily to his enormous casualty list which has yet to be presented to the German people. The more one hears of the German failure at Arras the more magnificent our resistance is revealed. Storm divisions came over, every man carrying six days rations and an extra pair of boots. They evidently meant to stay and a very heavy proportion of them will for all time. Vimy ridge was in the second objective and finally the objective was unlimited.

**\$150,000 DAMAGES.**

QUEBEC, April 1.—Peace has been restored in this city, at least temporarily. This morning General Lessard, Inspector General of Canada, who has been for awhile in charge of the Halifax Military District, reached this city and took charge. He stated that the situation was well in hand, but pointed out that no definite statement could be made by him for several days. The total damage done is estimated at \$150,000. This will have to be met by the city through a specially levied assessment. Proclamations will be posted throughout the city by the military authorities prohibiting the holding of the meeting announced for eight o'clock tonight by Arman Leveque, yesterday, when he addressed the mob.

**MONT BLANC TO BLAME**

HALIFAX, April 1.—Mr. Justice Drysdale gave his decision to-day in the Admiralty Court in the action and counter-action of the Mont Blanc and Imo, which ship claims two million dollars. The Judge found the Mont Blanc solely to blame. He advised he would file a memorandum, and the damages would be assessed in the regular way.

**WHOLESALE ARRESTS.**

QUEBEC, April 1.—The riotous faction in Quebec and the military forces which have taken over the policing of the city fought a battle here tonight in St. Rochs, the lower town section of the city, as a result of which three civilians were killed, five soldiers and two citizens were wounded and 100 men placed under arrest.

**A PRINCE KILLED.**

AMSTERDAM, April 1.—Prince Enrich Ernest, elder son of Prince Enrich of Leiningen, has been killed, leading a storming battalion of Grenadiers, according to the Lokal Anzeiger of Berlin. He was 22 years old and unmarried.

**FRENCH OFFICIAL.**

PARIS, April 1.—(Official).—The battle was maintained along the whole front north of Mont Didier where the enemy artillery was particularly active. The enemy carried out new attacks against Grivesnes, all of which were repulsed with heavy losses. In the course of spirited engagements the Franco-British troops made appreciable progress at various points between the Somme and Demuin. On March 29th and 30th our aviators despite rain and mist carried out numerous sorties. 5,000 kilograms of explosives were dropped on enemy cantonments and stations in the region of St. Quentin, Guiscard and Roye. Our aeroplanes attacked with machine guns and bombs enemy concentrations which they deserted. Nine German aeroplanes and one balloon were destroyed by our pilots. Italian bombing machines took an active part in these operations and recently carried out with splendid audacity numerous raids on the enemy lines.

**SUBMARINED.**

LONDON, April 1.—The British armed boarding steamer Tithonus was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine on March 28th, according to an official statement issued by the Admiralty. One officer and three naval ratings were lost.

**THE POPE BLESSES FAITHFUL IN PARIS.**

PARIS, April 1.—Cardinal Amette, Archbishop of Paris, yesterday received the following telegram from Rome: The Holy Father deploring the fact that the bloody conflict which has already caused so much suffering has again on the very day of the Saviour's passion found more innocent victims, who are still dear to his heart, owing to their faith and piety expressed his deep sympathy. He sends the apostolic blessing to all the faithful in Paris, and desires to know if it is necessary to send material aid to the families in mourning.

**TWO ATTACKS NEAR ALBERT REPULSED.**

LONDON, April 1.—(Official).—The enemy twice attacked our positions in the western outskirts of Albert yesterday evening. Both attacks were repulsed. South of the Somme the enemy is persisting in his attempts to advance along the valley of the Rivers Luce and Aves, but has made little progress. Attacks and counter attacks followed each other in this sector throughout yesterday afternoon and evening with varying success and the fighting is expected to continue. In the local operation in the neighbourhood of Serre we captured machine guns to the number of 105.

**FROM HEADQUARTERS.**

BRITISH ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, April 1.—(By Associated Press).—Last evening the Germans made two attacks in quick succession against the British lines west of the town of Albert, but on both occasions the enemy was thrown back. At two o'clock yesterday afternoon the Germans made a heavy attack between Moreuil and Demuin; fierce fighting followed. The attacking troops gradually forced their way forward until they penetrated the large forest lying northeast of Moreuil. A little later the Germans were reported to be entering Hangard and to be moving westward along the Luce River.

**ATTEMPT TO WORK TOWARDS AMIENS**

Enemy is Bringing up His Artillery Comparatively Slowly

LONDON, April 1.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—Telegraphing from British Headquarters in France this evening, Reuter's correspondent says: The enemy movements and fighting of the past twenty-four hours indicate the development of an attempt to work towards Amiens down the Ancre Valley and also from the southwest. Great masses of troops continue to concentrate in the region of Albert, and fighting is progressing towards Villers, Breton and Reux. The enemy is finding serious difficulty in transport work owing to the ceaseless destructive activity of our airmen and also owing to shortage of animals. The enemy is bringing up his artillery comparatively slowly, meanwhile he is largely employing trench mortars. Trench mortars, however, have a very limited range, and require enormous quantities of ammunition which is very bulky. Australian troops are now appearing in the thick of the fighting and doing magnificently. Despite the southward trend of the battle the greatest weight of enemy divisions remains north of the Somme. A captured document now reveals that the enemy expected to reach the Somme the first day of the offensive. By three o'clock this afternoon no fresh infantry attacks of importance had been reported against the British although the enemy artillery was very active. Arras, being heavily shelled. The delay of resumption of grand operations is of supreme importance to us, giving opportunities to continually strengthen the weakest spots and improve the defence works. The weather is fine and the visibility exceptionally good. It may be recalled that today is the date Von Hindenburg told a number of newspaper men he would enter Paris.

**RIOTING IN QUEBEC.**

QUEBEC, April 1.—Rioting is again in progress in Quebec tonight. The military have begun to make arrests. The cavalry charged a crowd of disturbers advancing on St. Francis St. towards Jacques Cartier Square, and drove them back. A number of soldiers have been injured in the fracas when the mob came near the C.P.R. station.

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**TWO MILLION IN AUTUMN**

Forces Ample to Regain the Initiative After Present German Effort

LONDON, April 1.—The belief is held that the first onrush of the enemy has been stemmed. He is engaged in the process of consolidating his positions and bringing up heavy artillery; and it is expected that when this work has been completed another big blow will be delivered with all the energy which he still has. With strong reinforcements on the ground and with co-ordination of command, the hope is expressed here that the Allied line will prove impregnable and that the Germans will dash themselves against it in vain. All the newspapers are occupied with the new manoeuvre proposals and America's expected participation in the fighting. The Standard advises the Generals to think "in the offensive." It says their forces are ample to regain the initiative after the present German effort is frustrated. By calling up all men of military age and raising the age limit England can have an additional million men by autumn, it says and adds, "With the gathering forces of the United States there should be not less than two million new troops available for warfare in the autumn."

**OBITUARY****WM. J. STARES**

(To the Editor.)

Dear Sir,—Please allow me space to record the death of Wm. J. Stares who passed peacefully away on Feb. 16th, 1918. Deceased gentleman was born in St. John's, Newfoundland, in the year 1844, and for some years was employed as watchmaker. Mr. Stares married a daughter of the late Wm. Stares, of St. John's. They left Newfoundland in the year 1886 and went to Seattle, Wash., where he was employed at the jewelry business. The deceased gentleman was in perfect health until his sudden death occurred death being due to heart failure. Mr. and Mrs. Stares had already celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary. Besides his wife he leaves one daughter, Mrs. Palmberg, of Seattle, Wash., one sister, Mrs. S. E. Hart, now residing at Sydney, N.S., one brother, Albert Stares, of Brooklyn, B. Bay, six grandchildren and five great grandchildren, and a number of friends and relatives. The funeral was conducted by the Rev. A. P. Gussom. The remains were laid to rest in the cemetery near his late home. To the sorrowing widow and relatives we offer our heartfelt sympathy.

Thanking you for space, I remain,  
LILY STARES.  
Brooklyn, B. B.  
March 25th, 1918.

**For the Sailors**

(To the Editor)

Dear Sir,—Please allow me space in your much esteemed paper for a few remarks concerning our sea heroes. We rightfully sing the praises of our soldier heroes on land, but let us not forget the sailor heroes of the sea. Those who have not beheld the sea when it is lashed by a violent storm can have no idea of its terrible power and the littleness and weakness of man, when he stands confronted with the raging of the elements, but there is a hand that can protect and guide. We know by name the recipients of the crosses—the Victoria, the Military, and all the other emblems of heroism, but Jack seems farther away, and therefore less real, and news of his exploits filter more slowly through to the world.

So let us remember our sea heroes, nameless though they be, and as numerous as nameless. Who are they? And what are they? You have one answer in the quiet words of Sir Edward Carson, spoken in February last in the British House of Commons: "In the face of sacrifice and trains of ships sunk without notice of the drowning of the wounded soldiers, and of frozen corpses brought in from torpedoed ships, I have yet to hear of one seaman who has refused to sail." Such an answer as this is an all sufficient one. No heroism could be finer; no bravery of a loftier type. All praise to the brave men who cheerfully go down to the sea in ships to do business in great waters for freedom. Wishing our boys great success in this terrible drive, and also wishing Hon. W. F. Cosker great success. Thanking you for space, I am,  
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