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ALLIES DRIVE GERMAN OUT OF THEIR TRENCHES FIRE DAMAGES SEVEN OF AUSTRIA'S SHIPS OF WAR

GERMAN CONCENTRIC MOVE ON OSTEND PROGRESSING

Vanguards at Bruges, Thourout and Dixmude—Stringent Demands Made by Invaders at Selzaete, Thirty Miles North of Ghent.

[Canadian Press.]
The Hague, Oct. 15.—Via London, Oct. 15.—Train service between Rotterdam and Antwerp has been ordered resumed Thursday.
The concentric movement of German troops in Belgium upon Ostend is progressing. The vanguards are believed

SHOOT WOMEN AND CHILDREN GERMAN ORDER

Document Found on German Officer Taken Prisoner Near Przemyśl.

"UNPREPARED FOR WAR"
Whining Epistle Says Germany Was Compelled To Fight While Unready.

BURN AND RAZE TOWNS
Another "Cultured" Instruction To Be Used Where People Resist Troops.

[Canadian Press.]
New York, Oct. 15.—A Petrograd dispatch to the Tribune today says: "The official Government organ publishes the following as a literal translation of a document found on a German officer taken prisoner: 'Secret.' 'Beloved defenders of the fatherland!'

"Our fatherland has been over-run by sorrow that involves us all. We have been compelled to go to war at a moment when we were totally unprepared, and our lives are guarded in the fields. To the last drop of your blood you must fight not to surrender to the enemy."
"We have heard rumors that German troops in several places have been attacked not only by the enemy's army, but by the population, and therefore I order you to shoot all inhabitants on whom arms are found in the enemy's country, not sparing either women or children. Furthermore, in places where the population offers resistance, you are to take the entire population, great and small, prisoners, and burn their towns and raze them to the ground."

This document, says the official journal, is signed, but the authorities refrain from reproducing the exalted person's signature.
This extraordinary order was found on a prisoner taken in the neighborhood of Przemyśl. From its obviously circular character, it presumably represents orders issued generally to Germans.

GERMANS AGAIN TO ADVANCE ON PARIS

Transferring Troops From the East For Purpose—Would Demand Billion Dollars Indemnity.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 15.—7:40 a.m.—"Germans arriving here," says the Copenhagen correspondent of the Times, "state that, owing to the failure of the Russians to make progress against the Germans, the Germans have decided to immediately transfer considerable masses of troops from the eastern to the western fronts for an advance on Paris. This transfer probably already has begun, as ordinary train traffic is delayed 48 hours."
From the same source, the correspondent says he learns that there is a large amount of sickness among the German troops.

"The plans for the occupation of Paris drawn up by the Germans before the battle of the Marne," continues the correspondent, "contemplated a demand for an indemnity of a billion dollars, and, unless the entire sum was paid within a fortnight, property of equal value was to have been taken to Berlin, including art works and libraries, and retained there until full satisfaction of the indemnity was made."

TRIAL POSTPONED

[Canadian Press.]
St. Catharines, Oct. 15.—The preliminary examination of the Frank Hartley, who last week shot and killed Pte. Theodore Burzyne, was to have taken place today, but, owing to the absence of the local magistrate, was postponed until tomorrow.

HEAVY FIRING IN THE BLACK SEA

May Be Cruisers Breslau and Goeben Against the Russian Fleet.

TWO FREIGHTERS TAKEN
This May Account For Noise Heard, Instead of Battle.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 15.—6:20 a.m.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Bucharest, coming by way of Rome, says: "Heavy cannonading has been heard the past day off Kistendie (in Roumania, on the Black Sea). It is believed that the former German cruisers Goeben and Breslau, which now fly the Turkish flag, and which yesterday attempted to escort from Sulina (an arm of the Danube, traversing the district of Dobruja, Roumania), several transports laden with munitions have either attacked or been attacked by the Russian fleet."

TWO FREIGHTERS TAKEN.
[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 15.—Athens newspapers assert that the Russian fleet in the Black Sea has seized two German steamers loaded with cereals bound for Galatz for Kustendje, Roumania.

PRZEMYSL DUE TO FALL ANY MOMENT

Russians Reported To Have Main Forts Now—Enemy Thrown Back Near Warsaw.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 15.—"I hear that the enemy approached to within ten miles of Warsaw, but were thrown back to a distance of 20 miles," says the Times Petrograd correspondent.
"The fall of Przemyśl is imminent. The garrison there is being decimated by cholera. Private advice received here says that the main forts already have been taken by the Russians."

"There is no change in the situation in East Prussia. Ground prevails, and the belief that in the forward movement of the Austro-German forces, which commenced September 21, Gen. Von Hindenburg commands the centre, King Ludwig of Bavaria the Czenstochowa (Dank) the Austria-German, constituting, and the Austria-German General in the covers for the right flank of the centre, while the supreme command of all the Austro-German troops is in the hands of the German general staff."

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 15.—8:05 a.m.—Reuters Telegram Company has received from Amsterdam the following official statement issued in Vienna at noon Wednesday:
"The general staff says that the Russians have occupied strategic positions on the line of Stry, Sambor and Midzra in Galicia. The Austrians are now attacking the positions."
In the Carpathians the Austrians occupied Torony, after four days of fighting and pursued the enemy in the direction of Wyssok. Smaller successful skirmishes have taken place in the Visva valley."

OVER HALF MILLION
OF ENEMY STRANDED

Austrians and Germans in the United States Cannot Get Transportation.

[Canadian Press.]
New York, Oct. 15.—According to figures compiled yesterday at the Austro-Hungarian and German consulates in New York 250,000 Austrian and 300,000 German reservists are stranded in the United States, after having enrolled for military service since the outbreak of hostilities. Practically none of this vast army of men has been able to obtain transportation to join their respective countries in the European war because of England's control of the seas. Registration for military service at the Austro-Hungarian consulate ceases today. At the German consulate it stopped some time ago.

BEAUTIFUL BELGIAN
COMES TO CANADA TO
PLEAD FOR RELIEF



MME. LALLA VANDERVELDE, representative of the Queen of Belgium, who is to deliver a number of lectures in Canadian cities for the purpose of raising money to aid her suffering country.

\$8,000 LOSS AT
TALBOT ST. FIRE

An Early Morning Blaze at Brownlee's Store Destructive to Stock.

INSURANCE COVERS LOSS
Firemen's and Owner's Theories Differ as to Cause of Fire.

Fire which did between \$7,000 and \$8,000 damage to the stock and store of J. H. Brownlee, stove and hardware merchant, 355 Talbot street, broke out at 5:30 o'clock this morning. The loss was fully covered by insurance.
Police Sgt. Thomas Lucas, who was on duty on Dundas street, discovered the blaze. Smelling the smoke, he hurried down Talbot street, saw smoke curling out of the third-story windows of Mr. Brownlee's store, and at once telephoned an alarm to fire headquarters. The firemen were at the fire in a minute and a half.

Cause Unknown.
The cause of the fire is unknown. The firemen claim that it started in the ceiling of the second floor, and was due to defective wiring. Mr. Brownlee declares that the electric switch was turned off at 10 o'clock last night, and that the fire could not have smoldered for such a long period without breaking out.
The blaze, which would have been a serious one, had the firemen not arrived as promptly as they did, was put out in half an hour. About twelve square yards of flooring were burned on the third story, while the rafters of the fourth floor were eaten away by the flames.

Water Most Destructive.
Most of the damage was done by the water, which is still dripping from roof to cellar, splashing over the fall stock of stoves and hardware.
"It is most unfortunate for us," said Mr. Brownlee, "we do more business and repairing in one day now than we did all summer. Too much credit cannot be given to the firemen for their excellent work."

A large amount of cornice work for the new addition to St. Joseph's Hospital was discovered by the heat and smoke, although it was standing in one corner on the third floor and away from the fire.
Mr. Brownlee declared that the store would be open in a couple of days for business; in fact, as soon as the underwriters had finished their work.

ALLIES' SITUATION
VERY ENCOURAGING

French Official Expects More Rapid Development in Region of Barry-Au-Bac.

[Canadian Press.]
Bordeaux, France, Oct. 15.—1:15 p.m.—A high official of the French Government declared that the latest dispatches from the front showed that the military situation was about to develop more rapidly in the centre, in the region of Barry-au-Bac, and on the left in the La Bassa, Baraques and Bailleul district.
The allies continue to make progress, this official continued. Several hotly contested positions which had changed hands repeatedly during the past few weeks, were now held strongly by the French, and the Anglo-French situation was most encouraging.

HOME RELIEF LEAGUE
APPEALS FOR CLOTHING

Makes Special Request to Public for Aid on Behalf of Those in Need—All Kinds of Clothes Desired.

The executive of the Home Relief League wishes to make a very special appeal to the public, on behalf of those who are in need of warm clothing. Now that the cold weather is coming on, there is a steady stream of applicants coming to the Home Relief League every Tuesday and Friday, asking to be provided with winter garments, and the demand is very greatly exceeding the supply.
We ask you, as you read this, can you help us? And will you not do so, to the best of your ability.
Signed, on behalf of the Home Relief League,
LILLIAN BECK, President.
KATHLEEN BOYCE, Corresponding Secretary.

CLAIMS GERMANS LOST AT
ARRAS NEARLY 16,000 MEN

(Canadian Press.)
Paris, Oct. 15.—1:02 p.m.—The newspaper France du Nord declares today that when the Germans were defeated at Arras they lost from 12,000 to 15,000 men, who were surrounded by the French in some marshes.

PELLETIER REFUSES TO MAKE
WAY FOR BOB ROGERS' MAN

Old Enmity Between Postmaster-General and Casgrain Is Reason For Postponement of Cabinet Changes Which Premier Had Intimated.

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 15, 1914.—The cabinet shuffle has been postponed. Hon. T. Chas. Casgrain, after lingering in Ottawa for two days, has returned to Montreal. Hon. L. P. Pelletier has reconsidered his decision to retire. Hon. Bruno Nantel is showing reluctance about his office. The changes are promised for tomorrow without fail, but people are beginning to think the reorganizing of the administration is off indefinitely. It has come out that Hon. Robert Rogers is responsible for the proposed cabinet changes. He desired to strengthen the Quebec wing of the Government. It was he who decided that Hon. Mr. Casgrain and Mr. E. L. Patenaude should go into the Government and Hon. L. P. Pelletier and Hon. Bruno Nantel should go out.

It was not Sir Robert Borden, but Hon. Robert Rogers who served notice on Mr. Pelletier and Mr. Nantel that their resignations from the Administration were desired. Mr. Nantel demurred from the first, but it was finally promised Mr. Rogers to exchange his portfolio for a railway commissionership. Hon. Mr. Pelletier was at first persuaded to resign. He was given to understand that he would be succeeded by Mr. Arthur Meighen of Dorchester, and that there would be a general election, and his health was not good enough to carry him through a campaign.
When Hon. Mr. Pelletier learned that the election depended largely upon his resignation, and that he was to be succeeded, he refused to resign.

Wants to Name Successor.
He was offered a cabinet place when Hon. Mr. Monk resigned, and again refused for the same reason. Today he refuses to join Mr. Borden until Mr. Pelletier is put out, and Mr. Pelletier reciprocates by refusing to resign if Mr. Casgrain is to be brought in. Mr. Casgrain could enter at once as successor to Mr. Nantel, but he refused to do so because it would entail associating with Mr. Pelletier and sharing with him the responsibility of administration. Hon. Mr. Rogers is still busy trying to straighten the tangle.

LANDSLIDE BLOCKS
UP PANAMA CANAL

Culebra Cut Scene of Trouble—Several Ships Cannot Complete Passage Until Cleared.

[Canadian Press.]
Panama, Oct. 15.—A landslide in the Culebra Cut at a late hour last night interrupted completely all traffic through the Panama Canal. Several ships in the canal have been unable to complete their passage.
The reports indicate that there were earth movements on the east side into the channel from the slopes of Gold Hill.
Col. Goethals and other officials are this morning making an examination of the extent of the damage.
It is said that traffic through the canal probably will be interrupted for some time.

SOME CONSOLATION.
[Canadian Press.]
Washington, Oct. 15.—News of the landslide into Culebra Cut caused no alarm at the Isthmian Canal Commission offices. While regretting the temporary closure of the canal, the officials say this slide will have its compensations from an engineering point of view, because it will hasten the canal subsidence of the mobile material in the cut, thereby insuring the permanence of the waterway.

GERMAN BARTENDER
NEGLECTED TO REPORT

[Canadian Press.]
Toronto, Oct. 15.—Because he failed to report to the police at the right time, P. Fritz Blumhagen, bartender at the Isthmian Hotel, at King and Church streets, was arrested this morning and taken to Stanley Barracks. He failed to turn up on hearing police called, and said he had other things to do besides reporting to the detective department.

ENEMY'S RUSH ON TO OSTEND GETS CHECKED

Stubborn Resistance Offered to Carrying Out of German Plans.

VIOLENT BATTLE LIKELY
When the Kaiser's Troops Attempt to Get to Channel Ports.

WHERE IS BELGIAN ARMY?
What Became of Forces From Antwerp Is Not Made Public.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 15.—1:25 p.m.—"The battle of the rivers," the long line of which still stretches across Flanders, stood in the background today in contrast with the comparatively small field of operations in the department of Nord and in West Flanders, where the contending allied and German armies may decide during the next week, or perhaps sooner, a phase of the struggle which became acute when the Germans occupied Antwerp and Ghent. A German attempt to seize and hold the seaports of Belgium and France.

It seems plain now that the German plan was to sweep on to Ostend and thence to the French ports in the same impetuous way that characterized the rush toward Paris, but in this, British military experts say, the invaders have been meeting with the most stubborn kind of resistance.
The rigidity of the censorship, however, precludes more than guesses as to which side scored in the fighting which followed the retirement of the Belgians and the advance of the Germans in the vicinity of Ghent. In the rear of that city it is said that the Germans have 100,000 men, and all signs indicate that a violent battle for possession of Ostend and other channel ports is imminent or in actual progress.

What became of the Belgian army which retreated from Antwerp is not yet known to the public. Nor is the composition of the allied forces seeking to check the German seaward advance clear. It was pointed out today that if the allies continue to hold the town of Ypres, which cuts the German line, the continued occupation of Ostend would be difficult.
Germans are reported in Belgium as far northwest as Bruges, which place their cyclists and patrols are said to have entered.

Nothing during the forenoon indicated any marked change in the situation in France as in the eastern war area.

GERMANY MAY TRY BRITISH INVASION

Correspondent Advises That Plans Be Made To Deal With Any Such Attempt.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 15.—3:30 a.m.—"The Times" military critic, discussing the possibility of Germany attempting an invasion of Britain, thinks the Government ought to instruct the people and the authorities how to act in the event of such an attempt, and to make up their minds whether it is proposed to fight regularly or irregularly in repelling an invasion.
The Times points out that there is no commander-in-chief in the British Isles, except Lord Kitchener, and that unless one mind presides over the numerous garrisons and various armed forces which would be used in defence, there can be no unity of action.
"Desperate though the attempt would be," the writer adds, "the lack of great velocity on the continent may tempt Germany to risk a blow at Britain, and in the more completely we are prepared the less likely is the attempt to be made."

BRUGES IS OCCUPIED.
[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 15.—2:15 p.m.—A dispatch to Central News from Amsterdam confirms the report that the Germans have occupied Bruges, fifteen miles east of Ostend.

SHORTER HOURS FOR
BRITISH SALOONS

[Canadian Press.]
London, Oct. 15.—2:20 p.m.—The closing hour for restaurants, clubs and saloons, which had been fixed at the early stages of the war at 11 o'clock at night, will be made 10 o'clock beginning Monday next. At Woolwich and Greenwich the closing hour will be 7 p.m., and the suggestion has been made that no saloons reopen till 10 o'clock in the morning, instead of at 5 or 6, as at present.

UTTER DEFEAT OF ENEMY BY RUSSIANS

Austro-German Army Near Warsaw Soundly Beaten and Thousands of Prisoners Captured By Troops of the Czar

(Canadian Press.)
London, Oct. 15.—3:44 p.m.—A dispatch from Petrograd to the Messagero, of Rome, says that the Austro-German army yesterday was completely defeated in the neighborhood of Warsaw, Russian Poland. The Austrians and Germans suffered enormous losses.
The Russians are stated to have taken thousands of prisoners.

ALLIES MAKE PROGRESS SAYS OFFICIAL REPORT

[Canadian Press.]
Paris, Oct. 15.—2:48 p.m.—The official communication, given out by the French war office this afternoon is as follows: "In Belgium, German troops coming from Antwerp are marching toward the west, and the evening of October 14 they reached the region of Bruges and Thiel (50 miles southeast of Bruges). First: On our left wing, the enemy has evacuated the left bank of the Lys. Between the Lys and the canal of La Bassa, the situation shows no change."

"In the region of Lens and between Arras and Albert our progress has been marked."
"Between the Somme and the Oise there has been no change. The Germans have cannonaded our line without, however, delivering any effective attack."
German Trenches Taken.
Second: On the centre, the line has advanced in the direction of Craonne.

ALLIES' RIGHT IS SHOWING ACTIVITY

Force of Enemy Driven Back Towards Muelhausen at Night After Spirited Attack.

[Canadian Press.]
Paris, Oct. 15.—6:30 a.m.—The right wing of the allies is now beginning to show signs of activity. According to reports received from Paris this morning there was yesterday an almost continuous firing of heavy artillery along the frontier. A force of Germans delivered a spirited attack on the French troops, in which numbers were wounded. As night closed this force of the enemy was driven back in the direction of Muelhausen.

Lieut.-Col. Rousset, the French military critic, in his article today, declares that the recent official communications are lacking in clearness, and that it is impossible to find in them any indication, even an absolutely harmless one, of the present military situation.
Col. Rousset says he calls attention to this fact without any thought of recrimination. He is well aware that it is difficult to reconcile the legitimate curiosity of the public with the safeguarding of national interests, but when the latter are not at stake more liberality could be shown. The French people have given evidence of dignity, firmness, wisdom and patriotism, and they should be taken more into the confidence of the Government.

The Hotel De Ville (town hall) of Arras, which was burned down after the bombardment of that place, was a building of Gothic style. It was erected in the beginning of the sixteenth century, and was one of the finest types of this style of architecture in Northern France.

CANADIANS TAKE SUSPICIOUS YACHT

Launch With Supposed Germans Aboard Had Wireless and Nine Months' Supplies.

[Canadian Press.]
Nanaimo, B. C., Oct. 15.—The 90-ton gasoline launch Empress Ninth was captured by Canadian authorities yesterday at Comox Spit in Union Bay. The crew, two men and a woman, all giving the name of Kohle, were taken into custody.
The launch had about nine months' provisions and supplies aboard, carried three auxiliary engines and was equipped with wireless apparatus. It is supposed that members of the crew were intercepting messages from the wireless station at Cape Lazo.
Two other men, also named Kohle, were arrested at Campbell River. They are charged with being German spies. Both parties were sent to Nanaimo to await further instructions.
The launch left Victoria a few days ago without clearance papers.

THE LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 57; lowest, 42.

The official temperature for the 12 hours previous to 8 Highest, 54; lowest, 35.

TOMORROW—RAIN.
Toronto, Oct. 15—8 a.m.
Today—Easterly winds; showery. Friday—Rain, followed by strong westerly winds.

Temperatures.

Station	High	Low	Weather
Vancouver	56	38	Cloudy
Calgary	56	38	Clear
Winnipeg	60	40	Clear
Port Arthur	52	28	Cloudy
Parry Sound	60	42	Clear
Toronto	55	32	Cloudy
Ottawa	53	30	Cloudy
Montreal	55	32	Cloudy
Quebec	48	34	Cloudy
Father Point	48	35	Cloudy

Weather Notes.
The Gulf of Mexico disturbance is moving northward toward the Great Lakes, and may develop into quite an important storm.
The weather is becoming warmer in all the provinces.