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Portugal Gets Ready To Send Troops To Join Army of Allies

Allies Give Ground

Paris Admits Some Check In Violent Fight on the Left

PORTUGAL TO PUT TROOPS INTO FIELD

Result in France Remains Undecided—Russians Continue Effective Work and After Ten Days Battle Have Defeated German Army

Paris, Oct. 5—The following official communication was given out in Paris this afternoon:

On our left wing, to the north of the Oise, the battle continues with great violence. The result remains indecisive. We have been obliged, at certain points, to cede ground.

Along the remainder of the front there has been no change.

Hard fighting is going on near Roye and near Douai. The allies have captured several strong positions near Soissons.

French confidence in ultimate victory continues, and has been increased by President Poincare's decision to visit the front. A London correspondent sees renewed peril to Von Kluck's army in the report of fighting at Douai, northeast of Arras.

In Russia, after a battle which lasted ten days, the German army which was operating between the eastern Prussian front and the Niemen River, has been driven back along the entire line, and made its retreat abandoning a considerable quantity of war material. This army has evacuated completely the territory of the Russian provinces of Suwalki and Lonja.

Other press matter given out in official quarters says:—

"The force of native troops from British India which recently landed at Marseilles has left that port for the northward.

PORTUGUESE TROOPS NEXT

British ships have arrived at Lisbon and are probably destined to transport Portuguese troops. Portugal's co-operation in the war is imminent, the mobilization of the Portuguese forces, it is believed, having been ordered on the demand of the British government.

England is sewing mines in several parts of the North Sea and warning to this effect has been given to neutral shipping.

The Rumanian Crown Prince has been strongly rebuked for his Russophile agitations. The leaders of the Rumanian parties have declared themselves in favor of continuing the neutral policy of the Rumanian government.

"A manifesto issued by the Rumanian socialist party assumes that the neutrality of the country will be preserved, condemns the Russophile propaganda in certain newspapers and emphasizes the perilous positions of Russia."

WHAT BERLIN SAYS

Berlin—The battle with the allies is proceeding successfully on the German right wing, and in the Argonne region. The Germans have gained strategic positions of great importance. Three Antwerp forts have been taken, making attack on the inner circle and the city possible. The Russian left wing crossing the Niemen has been defeated after two days' battle; 2,000 Russian prisoners captured.

Petrograd—Both Czar and Kaiser are with their armies in Poland and East Prussia. It may be a week before the main forces engage in a decisive conflict. The defeat of the Germans in Suwalki may hasten a conflict along the Vistula.

Berlin's Report.

London, Oct. 5—A Reuter despatch from Berlin gives an official statement issued at the German headquarters on Sunday evening. It says:

"In the western theatre the battle on the right wing and in the Argonne district is proceeding successfully.

"The operations at Antwerp and in the eastern theatre have been carried out according to plan and without fighting."

Roumania Fights.

Rome, via London, Oct. 5—Bulgaria and Turkey, according to a Vienna despatch to the Giornale D'Italia, have concluded an agreement whereby they will attack Roumania if Roumania provides for large territorial acquisitions provides for large territorial acquisitons for Bulgaria and Turkey at the expense of Roumania and Servia. Austria is massing troops, continues the despatch, on the Roumanian frontier.

Germans Fly Flag of Holland.

Paris, Oct. 5—The Figaro says that France has protested to Holland that German merchantships are using the flag of Holland to carry contraband and that Holland, after investigating, announced that the complaints were justified.

It is believed, says the Figaro, that a state of siege will be proclaimed in Rotterdam, to end the trade in contraband.

The French Grain Crops.

Paris, Oct. 5—France's grain crop, according to the agricultural department, has exceeded predictions. It is estimated at from 60,000,000 to 82,000,000 quintals.

Austria Claims Success.

London, Oct. 5—An Amsterdam correspondent of Reuter's transmits the following official report from Vienna signed by Field Marshal Potierek:

"The Servian and Montenegrin forces invading East Bosnia have been compelled to detach mobile forces to this region, which is far from the arena of the principal decision. The first action, started in East Bosnia, already has come to a successful termination. Two Montenegrin brigades, after two days of severe fighting, were completely defeated and repulsed. They now are in a paniky retreat across the border and they must leave behind them their transports together with a considerable quantity of supplies. These forces had previously looted Bosnia.

In the action undertaken in the northern part of the country, half a battalion of Austrian troops captured a full battalion of Servians.

The Canadians

London, Oct. 5—In an interview with a Montreal Gazette correspondent today, Col John W. C. Carson who was with the advance party of Canadian contingent officers arriving last week, said that he and his fellow officers had an uneventful trip on the Lusitania. Questioned regarding the Canadian contingent, he replied that he had every reason to believe that every member was looking forward eagerly to coming to grips with the enemy as a chance for adding fresh laurels to the name of Canada and demonstrating again the prowess of Canadian arms which had been proved on many battlefields from the War of 1812 to the Boer war.

Beyond the fact that he is in daily touch with the War Office, making arrangements for the reception of the Canadian troops Colonel Carson was unable to give any other information regarding the contingent at present, being forbidden by the military authorities to do so.

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 turned out much cooler and rain has been general throughout the western provinces, and a snow fall has occurred in parts of Alberta and Saskatchewan. From Ontario eastward it continues fair and warm.

Fine

Maritime — Fresh winds, fair today and on Tuesday.

New England Forecasts — Partly cloudy tonight and Tuesday; light winds, mostly south.

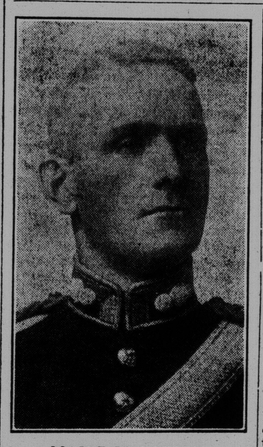
FEARFUL DEATH OF AERONAUT

Red Wing, Minn., Oct. 5—While making an ascension here yesterday, Clifford Bissonette's balloon burst into flames and, as hundreds of spectators looked on, the aeronaut fell several hundred feet to his death. His parachute failed to open.

Methodist Minister Dies Suddenly

Carleton Place, Ont., Oct. 5—Rev. W. H. Sparling, B. A., B. D., Methodist, died suddenly yesterday afternoon as he was returning from Appleton, where he had been conducting services. He was an ex-president of the Montreal conference.

Off To Fight For Empire



MAJOR McGOWAN

Major McGowan of St. John Celebrates Birthday On Ocean

Congratulations to Major J. T. McGowan, who today celebrates his birthday on the high seas. Major McGowan left St. John with the local artillery contingent and is now en route to England with the troops on their way to the front. His long experience and thorough training were recognized at Valcartier by his appointment to the responsible position in command of the ammunition division.

Not being able to celebrate the birthday at home in the usual manner, Major McGowan remembered his fellow officers of the artillery who are in quarters at Partridge Island and, before he sailed, he arranged that a tempting birthday cake should be prepared and sent today to the island, where the others may enjoy it even if he cannot do so himself.

ST. JOHN TO BE WELL REPRESENTED AT MEETINGS OF SYNOD

Presbyterian Church Court to Hold Sessions in Halifax This Week

The annual synod of the Presbyterian church of the maritime provinces and Newfoundland will meet this week in Halifax, opening with a public service tomorrow evening. The synod was to have been held in Moncton but(owing to the destruction of the Presbyterian church there by fire) the plans were changed and the meetings will be held in Park street church, Halifax.

All the clergymen and one elder from each congregation are entitled to attend and it is expected that the delegation will number about 300. All the local clergymen except Rev. Dr. Morison are planning to be present.

The retiring moderator is Rev. T. C. Jack of North Sydney, N. S., a brother of S. R. Jack of St. John. For the coming year the names of Rev. Donald McDonald of Grand River, Capt Breton, and Rev. H. R. Grant, secretary of the Nova Scotia Temperance Alliance have been mentioned for the office.

The work of the synod will include a review of the work during the year, special attention to missions with consideration of the proposals to amalgamate the work of the eastern and western boards, and also special consideration of religious education.

The meetings will continue until Thursday evening or Friday morning.

HOUSING CONFERENCE OFF ON ACCOUNT OF THE WAR

The housing conference which was to have been held in Minneapolis this month, under the auspices of the National Housing Association, has been postponed until next spring, and perhaps until next fall. John Ihlder, field secretary of the National Housing Association, has sent out the following circular to members:

"In view of the great European war and the absorption of the American public in it and the new problems the existence of this war has brought upon the United States and Canada, the proposed housing conference announced for Minneapolis on October 21, 22 and 23 will not be held.

Conference and correspondence between the officers of the National Housing Association and our hosts at Minneapolis made it plain that there was serious doubt as to the expediency of holding any conference at this time. This question was fully submitted to the entire directorate of the National Housing Association, which numbers forty-eight and represents all parts of America. It was made plain by our Canadian members that none of them could attend, and our directors voted three to one to postpone the conference. We know that this conclusion will be regretted by many.

The necessity for it is deeply regretted by the officers and directors of the association. It may be that the conference can be held next spring. There certainly will be a conference next fall. It has seemed a duty toward those who may be making their plans to be at Minneapolis to send out this notice at once and leave further plans for a further announcement."

Record Voyage.

New York, Oct. 5—What is said to be the first non-stop voyage from Auckland, New Zealand, to New York, was completed yesterday, when the White Star line freighter Delphic, arrived here after an uninterrupted voyage of 44 1-2 days. Only one vessel was sighted during the trip—the British bark Medway, off the Falkland Isles. The Delphic experienced very bad weather until Cape Horn was passed.

FOUR HUNDRED HORSES FOR BRITISH ARMY TAKEN TO HALIFAX

I. C. R. Men Contribute Well to Patriotic Fund—Another Shooting Case

Moncton, N.B., Oct. 5.—Twenty carloads of remounts for the British army passed through Moncton this morning for Halifax en route for England. The train conveying about 400 horses arrived at four o'clock and left for the east at half past nine. The animals were watered and fed here.

A subscription list recently started among the I.C.R. employes promising a day's pay monthly to the Canadian patriotic fund is being largely signed. Already more than $14,000 has been pledged.

The police are continuing to search for Benjamin Gaudet who, it is alleged, discharged a revolver while in an altercation with a man named Belliveau near Memramcook. The latter is the father of Policeman Belliveau of Moncton. Gaudet is now believed to be in the woods.

CHANCE FOR POLICE AND STREET RAILWAY MEN TO GO TO CHURCH

At a meeting of the Evangelical alliance this morning a committee was appointed to look into the matter of police and street railway men being given an opportunity of attending church on Sunday. A committee was also appointed to investigate the needs of the Belgians for the relief fund. Rev. W. O. Raymond presided.

NEW YORK BURGLARS KILL SPECIAL POLICEMAN

New York, Oct. 5—Harry F. Simmonds, a special policeman, was killed and Louis Blankenberg was injured early today by two men whom Simmonds found in the engine room of East Fourteenth street theatre where he and Blankenberg were employed.

Simmonds was shot twice and stabbed eleven times, and Blakenberg was rendered unconscious by a blow on the head. The murderers, who escaped through a coal hole, are believed to have been surprised by Simmonds while attempting to reach the box office to get the Saturday night and Sunday receipts.

WANTS $5 A WEEK PENSION FOR EVERY DISABLED SOLDIER

London, Oct. 5—Every man permanently disabled in the war, and unable to follow his former occupation, ought to be paid $5 a week during his life, is the opinion of George Nicoll Barnes, a labor leader, and M. P. for the Black Friars division of Glasgow.

He advocated this at a mass meeting last night. He estimated that the sum which the government would be called upon to pay the dependents of breadwinners in the field would not reach $25,000 000.

THE WHEAT MARKET

Wheat in Chicago opened today ¼ to 1 1-8 higher and made a slight additional gain.

Japs Repulse Night Attack By Germans

Tokio, Oct. 5—It is officially announced that the German infantry at Tsing Tau, delivered a surprise night attack against the Japanese but were repulsed. The Germans had forty eight killed and the Japanese five killed and eight wounded.

The cannonading on land and at sea in the vicinity of Tsing Tau, continues. Four Japanese shells hit the German gunboat Iltis, which retired to the inner harbor after the exchange of shots.

INVASION OF HUNGARY BEGUN

Russians Capture All The Carpathian Passes

TWO OBJECTS IN VIEW

Czar's Troops Said to Have Captured the Heights Around Przmysl and Driven Off Austrians Trying to Re-take Them

London, Oct. 5—A despatch to the Star from Rome speaking of the Russian invasion of Hungary, says:

Having captured all the Carpathian passes, the Russians have commenced the invasion of Hungary. Advancing to the south, they have occupied Hosszumezo. Then the Cossacks effected a daring coup. They crossed the river and cut the railway at Cziget, thus isolating the remainder of Hungary.

Rome, Oct. 5—News from Russian headquarters says that the invasion of Hungary, through the Carpathians has two objects. The first is to insure the Russian army operating against Premsyl and along the San River, and second, to open a new centre of action in Hungarian plains. where it can frighten the population, disturb the drilling of Hungarian reservists and recruits, and cut the railway communication.

It is recalled that during the Russian-Turkish war of 1877, an expedition commanded by General Gourko, and mostly composed of cavalry, did the same, crossing the Balkan mountains and entering Eastern Roumania.

London, Oct. 5—A despatch from Petrograd to the Central News states that a member of the Russian army who has just returned from Galicia, declares that the Russians captured the heighths four and five miles around Przmysl and that Austrians have vainly attempted to retake them.

GERMANS TRAPPED BY THE BELGIANS

Gory Incident of the Bombardment of Antwerp Forts—Krupp Men Work Guns

London, Oct. 5.—The Antwerp correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, telegraphing regarding the fighting around Antwerp, under date of Saturday says:

"The Germans continue their desperate efforts to capture Antwerp. They are in a desperate hurry to accomplish it, pounding away unceasingly with their artillery at Forts Waelhem and Wavre-St. Cathirnes and flinging their infantry forward in frantic efforts to break through. Their losses have been enormous and the numbers killed are estimated as high as 8,000 during the present movement.

"The Belgians adopted a clever ruse at Waelhem. After the bombardment had lasted several hours the forts failed to reply, whereupon the German staff, thinking the fort out of commission, ordered the infantry to advance in close formation. The Belgian gunners waited until they could see the whites of their eyes and then opened a murderous fire.

"Thus far the forts in the outer ring of the Antwerp defence have suffered little harm from the German bombardment.

"The German big guns are not being worked by regular soldiers but by men in citizens' clothing, who wear only an armlet to indicate their military occupation. Undoubtedly the men are employes of the Krupp factory, hastily summoned to replace the losses among the regular gun layers. The heaviest German guns are located north of Villverde, where foundations of reinforced concrete have been prepared.

"The German shells have practically wiped out most of the little villages and hamlets in the outer circle of the Antwerp defences. The Germans still hold Malines, although at a heavy cost, as the town is subject to constant bombardment from the Antwerp forts."

KING ALBERT SPENDS 20 HOURS IN TRENCHES

London, Oct. 5—A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from The Hague says:

"Refugees arriving here last night from Antwerp say that the position of the Belgian forces is excellent, and that the German advance has been steadily checked. The forts are admirably resisting the heavy German artillery fire. In the city of Antwerp itself there are great hopes of a final victory. There is not the slightest panic. King Albert is continually in the trenches, personally conducting operations. The king stayed in one of the trenches for more than twenty hours without resting."

FORMER MINISTER IS COUNTY REGISTRAR

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 5—Hon. Dr. Reaume, who resigned his office as minister of public works last week, has been appointed registrar of Essex county to succeed J. Wallace Askin, who died several months ago.

Common Council Is Likely To Make Grant For Belgian Aid

Matter to Come Up at Next Meeting—Patriotic Fund Secretary-Treasurer Now in Permanent Quarters—Today's Contributions

One of the matters to come before the common council at their next meeting will be a proposal to make a civic grant in aid of the Belgians. The city has made a grant for the patriotic fund, and it is possible that another sum may be voted for the Belgian relief fund. Owing to the absence of Mayor Frink the weekly meeting, which is due to be held this afternoon, may be postponed until later in the week.

Although the people of New Brunswick were a little tardy in taking up the scheme of relief for the Belgians, they are making up for the tardiness by praiseworthy enthusiasm. The feeling of wanting to do something has spread almost all over the province, and offers of aid are being received from all sides.

There seems to be one difficulty in some of the counties and that is the lack of organizers or leaders. Several communications have been received by the mayor, as treasurer, offering a helping hand, but stating that no means have been arranged in those sections for subscriptions or collections. It is hoped that some of the prominent men in each section will organize a committee and take up the work.

The following amounts were received this morning by the mayor: —Benson Culey, $1; Mrs. Edward Bates, $3, Mrs. Hugh Mackay; Geo. A. Kimball, $25; R. W. W. F., $1.50.

Keneally & Wetmore offered the use of their warehouse for the storing of supplies, but as the city's warehouse in Pettingill wharf will be sufficient, the offer was declined and the thanks of the committee tendered to the firm.

Patriotic Fund

The local branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund this morning opened for business in its new home, in the old Bank of Nova Scotia Building, Prince William street, and at a meeting of the executive, E. A. Schofield, as a member of the special committee in connection with the appointment of C. B. Allan as permanent secretary-treasurer, reported that arrangements had been completed and Mr. Allan was now established in the new office.

Mayor Frink this morning received a letter from Phillip H. Morris, general secretary of the Candian Patriotic Fund, acknowledging a letter from the mayor asking for particulars regarding separation allowances paid to Canadian soldiers' wives. The letter advised that the information was not at hand at present but would be prepared and sent here as soon as possible.

Mr. Morris also wrote that C. A. Warburton, the prime mover of the fund, who has been touring the country conducting an origination eampaign, would be unable to come to St. John, on account of pressure of business.

Further Contributions

The following amounts were acknowledged by the treasurer: J. G. Harrison, $20; F. L. Morrison, $10; H. G. Rogers, $15; R. Retallick, $5 Very Rev. W. F. Chapman, $5; Timothy O'Keefe, $1; Mrs. H. S. Gregory, $5;J. H. Tonge, $1;T. Trainor (second contribution) $1; A. B. Clifford, $5; Robert Doherty, $5; J. F. Belyea, $5; Stanley G. Olive, $10; David Belyea, $5; F. M. Belyea, $1; Mrs. Henry Nase, $1; Friend, $1; Friend .50; Emma Ribichaud, .25; Mrs. F. P. Corey, $1; Friend, $1; J. G.Lake, $2; Friend, per month, $1; Stanley D. Crawford, $10; John McKelvey, $5; James McGrath, $5; Mrs. W. A. Lordly, $1; Friend .25; Mrs. David Magee, $2; Friend .25 Friend .25; Mrs. F. F. McIllvcen $1; Little girls, King street east .75; Friend, $1; Little Girl's Bazaar, King street, East $1.70; George Smith, $2; Clyde C.Corkum, $1.

NEXT CANADIANS TO FRONT MAY GO FROM ST. JOHN OR HALIFAX

There will be no further mobilization of troops at Valcartier camp this year, according to the statements of local militia officers who should be in a position to know. If a second contingent or reinforcements to the first Canadian expeditionary force are mustered, they will, in accordance with present plans, be bivouaced in New Brunswick or Nova Scotia, and will be sent from St. John or Halifax.

Whether a New Brunswick regiment will be organized as a distinctive unit to be taken for overseas service, will probably be decided this week. The idea seems to have become popularly fixed in the minds of many that, if it is possible for a unit to be mobilized here for foreign service, such action should be taken. Several well known military men are actively engaged in taking the matter up.

EMIGRATION MAN HERE

William Russel, emigration officer of The Central (Unemployed) Body of London, dropped into the board of trade office this morning. He has just returned after a tour of inspection throughout Western Canada enquiring more particularly into the situation of the men and families who have been sent to Canada in recent years by this organization. With a few exceptions he says they have all done well. He is greatly impressed with Canadian opportunities, and particularly with the agricultural outlook in New Brunswick. He thinks there is a great agricultural future ahead of this province. Mr. Russell will meet the secretary for agriculture here and then will go to Halifax.

The board of trade will meet at 8 o'clock tonight to transact general business.

CHARGE AGAINST PROMINENT POLE; HE ENDS HIS LIFE

Chicago, Oct. 5—Simon J. Cechowicz, former secretary of the Polish National Alliance, and under indictments for the alleged embezzlement of $7,000 funds of the organization, committed suicide by asphyxiation here today.

THE WOOL MARKET

London, Oct. 5—Since the close of July auctions a generally good demand has been experienced for wools suitable for manufacturing army clothing.

The forthcoming wool sales fixed for October 6 and 7 lasting only a few days with offering of about 50,000 bales, are looked forward to with some interest, and it is now believed the chief reason for holding the sale is that Australian merchants and bankers are anxious to gauge, if possible, what the value of wool really is in order to make advances in Australia on future shipments.

NOT THIS EVENING

Coroner W. F. Roberts said this afternoon that the inquest into the cause of the death of Ernest M. Pitt will be held at the call of the coroner and not this evening as has been announced.

CASE IN COURT OVER USE OF ROAD AT FISHING CLUB

The case of Francis F. Burpee et al, vs. the Ashburn Lake Fishing Club et al, came up for hearing in the Chancery Division this morning before Mr. Justice White. This is a suit brought for a declaration and decree that the defendants are not entitled to the use of the road over and across the plaintiff's lands to Ashburn Lake; for an injunction restraining the defendants from using the road and for damages for alleged trespass. The plaintiffs contend that the defendants have used the road in question by their permission for several years, and that about two years ago they forbade them the use of the road ,and that the defendants broke down locks and gates which had been placed across the road.

The defendants deny that the plaintiffs have any title to the lands. J. V. McLellan, registrar of deeds, was examined this morning and considerable documentary evidence was adduced. M. G. Teed, K.C., and Francis Kerr are appearing for the plaintiffs, and W. A. Ewing, K.C., and J. B. M. Baxter, K.C., for the defendants.

FOOTBALL

At a meeting of representatives of the three teams in the Interscholastic Football League — Rothesay Collegiate School, Fredericton High School and St. John High School—a schedule was drawn up and preparations made for the season's play. The matter of a dispute in reference to the cup, there being no league last year, was referred to the U.N.B. athletic heads. If satisfactory arrangements can be made at Rothesay for a half holiday, the opening game will be in St. John on next Saturday afternoon between Rothesay and St. John. Failing this the same teams will commence the series in St. John on the following Wednesday. Each team will meet the others once at home and once away.

ALLOWED HIS FREEDOM

A member of a geological survey party of the Dominion government was taken into custody yesterday while taking pictures of Fort Howe and vicinity. He would not have been troubled had it not been that he did not show his authority from his department to take the pictures, until threatened with being locked up in the armory for the night. Then he showed his credentials and was allowed his freedom. The militia authorities are insisting that no photographs of importance to the enemy, plans of the harbor, or other such prints be made without proper authority and reason for the same being done, and arrest is the natural sequel to disobedience.

SALVATION ARMY COUNCIL

A convention of Salvation Army Officers will be held in St. John on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. About thirty delegates are in the city from different towns of New Brunswick, and a reception will be given them in the Charlotte street citadel this evening.

ACCIDENT

Charles Pactishook, a Russian in the employ of the E. G. M. Cape Co. had two toes badly crushed on Saturday when a load of cement passed over his foot as he was working at the West side. Dr. F. H. Neve attended him.