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Kuropatkin Drives at Hindenberg With Huge Force

INCESSANTLY POUNDING

KAISER'S GUNS **POUNDING FORTS**

Germans Appear To Be Preparing for New Spring at Verdun.

QUIET NIGHT ON THE WEST

French Still Hold Part of Hill Taken by the Foe On Wednesday.

INFANTRY ATTACKS CEASE

Berlin Claims Paris-Verdun Railway Line Is Menaced.

Canadian Press.] Paris, March 23, 11:50 a.m. -The French official statement published this morning says that during the night a violent bombardment took place to the east of the River Meuse. To the west of the Meuse the fire diminished in intensity, and the general situation is unchanged.

[Canadian Press.] March 23.—2:35 p.m.—The crench war office this afternoon gave ut the following statement regarding to the west of the river Meuse, the ardment diminished last night. little bil of Haucourt, (about ithwest of

"In the Woevre there has been no mportant development to report, with the exception of an intermittent can-

'To the west of Pont-a-Mousson s surprise attack upon a trench of the enemy in the vicinity of Fey-En-Haye resulted in our taking several prison-

mainder of the front."

RAILWAY MENACED. [Canadian Press.]

Berlin, March 23 .- (By wireless to Sayville).—The Lokal Anzeiger says terday by German troops near Avocourt, the French line between Bethin court and Malancourt is now menaced. It asserts that the French positions threatened from the east by the Dead Man's Hill, and from the west, as a result of the German victory in wooded region northeast of Avo-

town of Avocourt is only seven kilonetres from the important Verdun-Paris railroad, the intervening dis-

Dutch Sailors Refuse to Sail Unless Guarded

Adopt Policy of Safety First As Regards German Submarines.

[Canadlan Press.] The Hague, March 22-Via London, March 23 .- At a meeting in Amsterdam, held under the auspices of the Sailors' Union, the crews of half a dozen oceangoing steamships due to sail today re-solved by an overwhelming majority not to join their ships until more definite arrangements had been reached with vice-president of the Freyseng Cork front, wounded, was made an honorary them in getting into the air. This suvessels. This decision affected also the clared there would be an actual loss

A dispatch from Rotterdam under yesrday's date said that officials of the It is not only hotel interests, but dozens Holland-American Line had announced n that city that the line's ships would Real estate holdings jeopardized are prevented from doing se by the refusal \$15,000,000, stock on hand \$20,000,000.

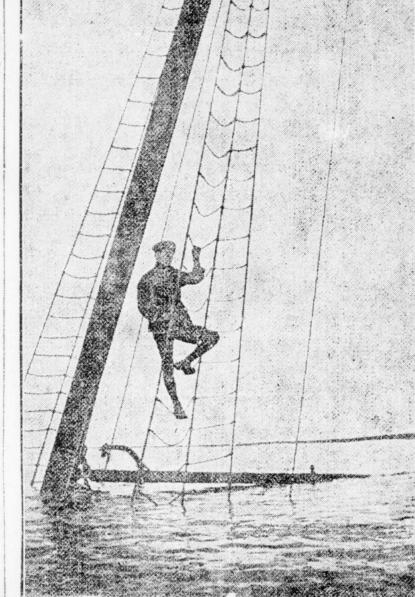
PROVIDE AN ESCORT

Rotterdam, March 23-Via London .-The Holland-American Line announced 107 licensed places in Toronto worth efinitely today that the Nieuw Amsterdam would sail at 11 o'clock tonight. She will be accompanied so far as The Rite \$300,000, and the Walker House Downs by tugs with lifesaving ma-These tugs will escort steamship Rotterdam, in coming from New York, from The Downs to this the province.

GALLOPER LIGHTSHIP

[Canadian Press.] London, March 23.—It is reported unearly in February and subsequently officially that the Galloper lightship, at succeeded in gaining an entrance at Nova Scotian coast. the mouth of the Thames, has not been Sarnia by gross misrepresentation torpedoed, as was reported yesterday Magistrate Dumble fined the foreigner





Recently a small British steamer was torpedoed near the Egyptian coast by of their exploits as the still anonyof their exploits as the still anonylogne, requesting him to intervene with placed in a difficult position should Carfrom the hills in the vicinity, so that they might get a good idea of modern barwho brought down a German flier on measures being taken against Cardinal Hartmann, archbishop of Cologne, requesting him to intervene with the Emperor of Germany to prevent any
measures being taken against Cardinal Germany. tarism and be correspondingly impressed. The picture shows Petty Officer his first trip in actual warriare. Johnston in the rigging.

"To the east of the Meuse the bornardment was continued with violence No Confirmation at Washington of Mex. Army Revolt

The night passed quietly on the re- Officials Say No Indication That Fighting Has Been than ten machines, and often were court, northwest of Verdun. in Progress.

Mexico.

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, March 23 .- Confirmation that in view of the progress made yes- of the report that the Carranza garrison of 2,000, under Luis Herrera, at today if General Funston has asked losses increased in proportion on both Chihuahua had revolted, and joined for more reinforcements since the sides. to that effect was passed last night "I the by the United States army censor at tion.

The newspaper points out that the last night stated merely that "it is re- had satisfactorily solved the problem killed, in two cases both occupants of ported" that the revolt had occurred, of getting supplies to the advance adding that there was no confirmation, column. General Funston had been No new advices had reached the uneasy, it was said, over the supply department, officials said, and it was situation, but had reported no shortdeclared there was no indication in any age.

Funston's Problem. pose the troops at his command in er California.

MEANS BLUE RUIN FOR ALL BUSINESS

"Commercial Strangulation" From Prohibition, Declares Cork Magnate.

[Canadian Press.]
Toronto, March 23.—E. J. Freyseng, Company, in an interview today de-Holland-American Line, whose steam-ship Nieuw Amsterdam is scheduled to \$161,754,000 as a result of the prohibi-

tion bill introduced in the Legislature yesterday. "It means commercial strangulation. of other industries indirectly effected. that city that the the thing to sail as scheduled, unless worth \$80,000,000, plant and equipment The Dominion Government alone will lose \$10,700,000 in excise fees."

George Wright, president of the City Hotelkeepers Association, says the bill means ruin to many people. There are on an average \$45,000 each. "The King Fiward is worth \$2,750,000, the Carls \$200,000. The depreciation in the value of these properties is very serious. The same thing applies to every big city in Calgary

Peterboro, Ont., March 23.-Chas. aMantia of Chicago was arrested here

Travelling Immigration Inspector Reynolds for violation of the immigration laws. LaMantia was deported at Windsor

en withdrawn from \$100 and costs or three months hard

such fashion as to insure the line of communication behind the force in

ORANGEMEN OF N. B.

[Canadlan Press.]

St. Stephen, N. B., March 23 .- The

manufacture and sale and importation

pathy with the policy of conscription.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

TOMORROW-MILDER

Forecasts.

Temperatures

Friday-East to south winds, with

The following were the highest and owest temperatures during the 24 hours

(-) means below zero. Weather Notes.

Toronto, March 23-8 a.m.

Highest, 18; lowest, 6.

sing temperature

Port Arthur 20

Ottawa . Montreal

Father Point.

roday-Fair and cold.

life member.

encounters resembling the air battles popularly pictured in the imagination before the war, when German air craft to take note of the effect produced on to be dispersed when the French began sending 6 and 8-inch projectiles among them The Air Warrlors,

All the best of them were on hand with the exception of Lieut, Imies worthy of them in Lieut, Guynem-

The German tactics in the air are parently being to overwhelm their ad-French to be sending up men singly to observe the movements of troops and the positions of the artillery, and they began sending their men up in couples. The French accordingly doubled their scouts. Then the Gerrons here never have comprised less hill of Haucourt, southwest of Malan-

Scores in Battle. Groups of fighting machines were assembled by the French to meet them, and engagements at heights of 2,000 diminished in violence yards, in which a score of machines were employed, were the result. The

Lieut. Guynemer was put out of action Columbus. The war department in-sisted that General Funston's message last night said the motor truck trains with the pilot or observer wounded or message received since the American expedition started into Mexico that the troops had fired a shot or been quieting situation had been indicated the pilot died just after the landing. in unofficial reports. A message from Admiral Winslow on the west coast long enough to bring his aeroplane General Funston's problem is to dis- said quiet prevailed at Ensenada, Low- home. He was unconscious when the machine landed. The observer died the

> Guynemer's Work. of his adversaries was observed to land so abruptly as to warrant the supposition that his machine was demolother had put one of Lieut. Guynemer's Grand Orange Lodge of New Bruns- arms out of action, but he succeeded in

> grand lodge on record as in hearty sym- to outdo them in audacity in manoeuperiority in ascending speed is said by competent authorities to be the trump card of the French in air fighting,

where the upper hand counts in deadly fashion. It is asserted here that the German Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 34; lowest, 18.

The official temperatures for the 12 ews agencies report, as shot down, French machines that return normally and land safely at their starting point. and that they thus figure the French losses as greater than their own. whereas all the information that can be obtained on this side of the line goes to show that the French aviators have more than held their own in the

aerial activities around Verdun.

Leamington. [Special to The Advertiser.]

Kingsville, Ont., March 23.—At about 10 o'clock this morning W. W. Chis-

PETTY OFFICER IN RIGGING OF TORPEDOED STEAMER. **AUDACITY MARKS** FRENCH FLIERS, RUUT GERMANS

Joffre's Airmen Have Had the Better of War Up To Date.

MUCH QUICKER ON START

Battles 2,000 Feet Up Between Scores of Machines.

FEAT OF LIEUT. GUYNEMER

Most Brilliant of French Aviators Engages Two Enemy Machines.

[Canadlan Press.] Paris, March 23 .- The battle of Verdun furnished the occasion for the first French field works by the heavy guns massed there so thickly and which had

After assembling their heaviest ar-tillery and their best regiments before Verdun, the Germans sent their air experts to the scene for overhead At their head was the famous er, Adj. Navarre and such emulators

mans quadrupled theirs and since the still clinging to a part of the little their lines have been pushed nearest

numerically large:.

The French feel sure that they have Villa, was still lacking today at the Fifth Cavalry and Twenty-Fourth In- The French feel sure that they have war department, although a dispatch fantry were ordered to join him, said: had the better of it so far, although for a fortnight by flesh wounds in the a machine having been fatally injured. These two machines, of the same group, came back and landed normalthem. The observer of one apparently was killed, while it was in the air and The pilot of the other also lived barely

> following day. Lieut. Guynemer one day was engaged with two German fliers at once. One Meanwhile bullets from the

wick at its concluding session passed a getting back to his base by employing esolution in favor of prohibition of the the other arm skillfully. While the Germans in some of the engagements have had the advantage of liquor. Another resolution placed the of numbers, the French pilots appear vering. The French machines are equal B. S. Clarkson is the new grand mas- in norizontal speed to all of those of ter.
Col. P. A. Guthrie, home from the types, and also quicker than any of their adversaries, excepting the newer

holme, electrical engineer for the W. E. & L. here, was killed by an electric shock. He was working around the mogul car which was fast in the the mogul car the mogul car the cut near Learnington and it is sup-the Valley yesterday is now on the posed he touched live wires under the posed he touched live wires under the

PRINCIPAL FEATURES OF PROHIBITION ACT

1. Prohibition for Ontario about September 1, 1916, by act of Leg-2. Extension of all hotel and shop licenses, at nominal fee, after May

1, so that stocks may be sold. 3. Appointment of three members of Ontario License Board to act as

mission in administering the new act. 4. Adoption of the MacDonald Act of Manitoba, with improvements. 5. Sale of liquor prohibited except for medicinal and chemical purposes, and wine for sacramental uses.

6. For repeal of law, after war, by straight majority vote. 7. Hon. W. J. Hanna says prohibition repeal will not likely be sub ject of vote for two or three years. 8. Sale of liquor for specific purposes by wholesale and retail drug-

gists is defined. 9. Liquor for mechanical and scientific purposes limited to ten gallons, for medical to five gallons, for dentist to one pint, for veterinary surgeon to two gallons, and a physician must not carry more than two

quarts with him for patients. No orders for liquor to be filled without 10. Act does not prevent importation or manufacture of liquor in Ontario, and Mr. Hanna says the Dominion law as it at present exists

VATICAN AND ENEMY ARE CLOSE TO BREAK

Cardinal Mercier's Plain Talking May Cause His Internment and Bring About Delicate Situation.

[Canadian Press.]

sagero publishes a report to the effect of state, has sent a long dispatch to cate as a result of what is happen measures being taken against Cardinal Germany.

Mercier, and that he has also tele-Rome, via Paris, March 23.—The Mes- graphed to Cardinal Mercler urging him to observe the greatest prudence. situation between the Vatican and Gerthat Cardinal Gasparria, papal secretary many, the newspaper says, is most deli

RUSSIANS USE WEDGE

AGAINST THE GERMANS

WAR SITUATION ON THE VARIOUS FRONTS

London, March 23.—The French are ably are preparing for new attempts to break through in the sector where

Paris announces today that the Gerthat even the fire of heavy artillery the Rusian line, where Petrograd de Intense to the East

was continued with undiminished in-tensity. The persistence with which the front here, with infantry advances at Germans are pounding the French po- some points. sitions near Vaux and Damloup in have been repulsed.

GERMAN OFFICERS SAY VERDUN MOVES **QUITE SATISFACTORY**

Expect To Capture Fortress and Terminate the Struggle.

[Canadian Press.] Berlin, March 22 .- Via London, March | Tubantia, on which he was a passenger. 23 .- Attempts in other countries to He declared it was impossible that the interpret the various pauses in the Tubantia could have been torpedoed by German operations at Verdun as indi- mistake, inasmuch as she was marked cative of the waning of the offensive with electric signs, giving her name and or the exhaustion of German troops, nationality. denote failure to comprehend German strategy, according to the tenor of dis- from what he was able to observe, that and was last reported as having sailed of the general scheme of operations and are designed to prepare for the successive stages of the forward move-

Expect to Win. The method has been to make preparation for every attack so thorough ly as to guarantee success with minihave purposely avoided a simultaneous attack on the whole Verdun front, and have sought local successes in one secion after another.

Neither do these officers admit the Germans are fighting to revive the spirits of the people at home, with only forlorn hope of victory. It is said these operations are intended to lead to the capture of Verdun and hasten he termination of the war. The comparative slowness of the novements is based on deliberate choice

of the best method of accomplishing the end sought. Reports that the German of the results achieved find no confirmation here. Instead of sending men into battle in close formation for mathine guns to mow them down, as is represented in the press of hostile Cloudy W. W. Chisholme Instantly Killed Near countries, German commanders have been sparing of the The results of the operations at Ver-

A. O. SLAUGHTER DEAD. [Canadian Press.]

Nova Scotian coast.

Another marked depression covers Itah.

Gales prevail in the Maritime Provences, attended by snow. Snow is also of six children.

Description and the touched ave weres under the care instantaneous. Mr. Chicago, Ill., March 23.—A. O. Slaughter, prominent in Chicago financial circles as a grain dealer, stock broker and banker, died today after a short illness.

Russians Striking Hard. Besides striking hard against German infantry attacks in this sector man positions along the Dyina and were not resumed during the night, and below Dvinsk, on the northern end of the Russians are displaying notable ac-

this region indicates that they prob-

SAYS TUBANTIA NOT

But His Name is Schliling and He is

[Canadian Press.]

Berlin, March 23-By Wireless to Sayville.-Richard Schilling, Guatemalan consul at Stuttgart, and a naturalized American citizen, has returned to Stuttgart, and, in an interview, as given out C. F. Leach & Co. of London. by the Overseas News Agency, said there was no truth in the reports that a submarine sank the Dutch steamsh

Mr. Schilling came to the conclusion, ussion in military circles here. Offi- the Tubantla was sunk by a floating

BRITAIN MAY PROHISI

[Canadian Press.] March 23.-Walter um losses. German commanders man, president of the board of trade, tools revolvers, an arc light, shovels message said: announced in the House of Commons and typewriters.

"Suspicions this afternoon that the British Gov- Lacasse, it is said, has confessed to sies. Examine

of 150 Miles-Petrograd Reports a Direct Drive Westward. (Canadian Press.) New York, March 23 .- A news agency dispatch from London today says: Half a million well-equipped Russian

troops, under direct command of Gen. Kuropatkin, are now

London Hears Czar Is Hurling Vast Army at Enemy Along Line

assailing Von Hindenburg's line on a front of 150 miles.

p.m.-The Russians in spite of their [Canadian Press.]
Petrograd, March 23.—After lying low great offensive on the eastern front have made no advance says the offleall winter completing their preparations and leaving active warfare to a host German army headquarters. of detached guerilla bands in the rear of the Teutons, while maintaining unceasing activity with comparatively small bodies of troops and thereby gradually building a large number of

the northern and northwestern sections German position of their European front. The Germans' plan apparently devel- way between Mitau and Jacobstadt an attempt to drive a wedge across the lines north of Vidzy. have assumed the initiative well to the the number of prisoners taken by outh of Dvinsk, where they made a has reached 14 officers and 889 ginning at driving their wedge into The Russians in this district i German lines. The movements in- took no more important attack

et drive westward. The extent of the battlefront, according to the bulletins of the past few force, however, be days, indicates the employment of large the Wiszniez lakes. forces. The composition of these forces, like their number is kept secret.

No Advance Say Germans. [Canadlan Press.]

Berlin, March 23, via London-3:45 the unshaken Gern More Ships One French and British Sunk

German Submarines Continue To Torpedo Neutral

Vessels.

Canadlan Press. bark Lindfield has been sunk by a sub-

[Canadian Press.] London, March 23 .- The Norwegian steamship Kannik was sunk Wednesday night, according to a dispatch to Lloyds from Havre. The crew was

The Norwegian steamer Kannik sailed from New York February bound for Havre. She arrived at Fayal March 4. The Kannik was of 2,397 tons gross, 300 feet long, and was

built at Stavenger in 1894. THIS ONE BRITISH

[Canadlan Press.] London, March 23 .- The British steam ship Sea Serpent has been sunk, The Sea Serpent was a vessel of 902 tons gross, and was built in 1898. She was 225 feet long, 33 feet beam and 12 feet deep. The vessel was owned by

FRENCH BARK GONE. [Canadian Press.] London, March 23.-Lloyds reports

that the French bark Bougainville has the body of Mrs. Peck could not be been sunk. Twenty-three members of examined because it had been cremated, The Bougainville sailed from San Francisco August 21 last for London,

in 1902. Her gross tonnage was 2,248. STOLE FROM POOR [Canadian Press.]

of Henri Lacasse, St. Laurent, Que., as "E. Runci- burglaries, and including copper wire, did not die from natural causes. The

ernment was contemplating the pro- the police to being implicated in pilfer-

TWO ALLAN BOATS DOCK WITH CARGO OF WOUNDED

losses have been unduly heavy in view Sicilian and Corinthian Arrive Simultaneously at St. John With Officers and Men From the Trenches.

sailing from England on March 10 and a voyage devoid of incident. Both ships J. Fielding. dun thus far, in regard both to the positions gained and the losses susficers and men of the Canadian forces in France, and the Corinthian brought 76 returned officers and men. Following is a list of the returned officers and

O. | men: On the Corinthian.
Company Sergt.-Major C. W. Cooper,
39th Battalich, officer in charge; Capt.
J. C. Wilson, C. A. M. O., medical offi-S. Loche, C. Volker.

i cer in charge; Nursing Sister B. Crom-St. John, N. B., March 23.—The well.

Allan liners Sicilian and Cominishian, C. A. M. C.—Capt, E. C. Edgett.

39th Battallon-Pte. G. Collett, Sergt. 1. docked almost simultaneously, after Major H Dodds, Q. M. S. Heath, Corp. attorney regarding the case. 9th Battalion—Corp. A. McLetchil, lication. Lance-Corp. L. Bissonette, Sergt. C. Dr. V tained, have been fully in line with brought 149 returned and wounded of W. Watters, Sergt. E. E. Bendle, Sergt. that he studied dentistry at the Ur

11th Battalion-Sergt. O. B. Rexford, in dentistry for one Sergt. A. J. Instone.

17th Battalion—Regimental Sergt. - had been told that the police were in Majors G. A. Ingraham, E. D. Slessor, vestigating his father-in-law's death D. Nelson, H. F. Miles.

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Berlin, March 23 .- The following is new formations who are now seasoned aggressive activity in the evening and "The Russians showed their main soldiers, the Russians have begun the game of war in earnest once more on times with strong forces against the

oped itself, and they seem committed to and four times against the German "On the front northwest of

Jacobstadt on both sides of the rail-

in these attacks, as we local enterprizes at o

Poison Found in Stomach of Grand Rapids Millionaire.

WERE VISITING RELATION:

March 23 .- The Norweglan Police Investigating Demise of Wealthy John E. Peck.

[Canadian Press.] New York, March 23.—District Attorney Swann ordered the arrest today of Dr. Arthur Warren Waite, son-in-law of John E. Peck, a milionaire drug dealer of Grand Rapids. Michigan, whose death here recent-

ly and that also of his wife, have

been under investigation. The detectives found him in a condition

of stupor as a result of an opiate,

self-administered. Physicians at

noon today were working on him to New York, March 23 .- The legal and Grand Rapids, Mich., are co-operating to investigate the death of John E. Peck, a wealthy drug dealer of Grand Rapids, and of his wife, both of whon died here recently while visiting their daughter and son-in-law, Dr. Warren Two autopsies performed in Grand Rapids after the body of Mr. Peck had been exhumed, discovered arsenic in the stomach and intestines

Husband Dies. Mrs. Peck died here suddenly on January 29. Her husband came to New console his daughter, and died on March from Falmouth in February. She was owned in Nantes, where she was built death he had seemed to be in exceller at more than \$1,000,000, divided equality his son, Percy Peck of Grand Rapids. Montreal, March 23.—An illicit still
was found yesterday in the premises
of Henri Lacasse, St. Laurent, Que., as
"E," addressed to Percy Peck, which well as plunder taken in a number of first caused suspicion that Mr. Pecl

> Suspicions aroused. Demand autop-The local authorities have not this telegram, if they have discov

Peck's body back to Grand Rapide Mrs. Waite remained at the home Rapids say that she has been ill f

23rd Battalion-Sergt, R. Graves, L. upon he said he had telegraphed his brother-in-law in Grand Rapida

demanding an autopay,