

## Two German Assaults on Verdun Repulsed Lloyd George Loses Favor With the Radicals Hun Reply to U. S. May Come Wednesday

### GERMANS WHO FOUGHT AT VERDUN NOW PRISONERS OF WAR



GERMAN SOLDIERS CAPTURED BY FRENCH AROUND VERDUN  
THESE PRISONERS ARE ONLY A FEW OF THE GERMAN SOLDIERS WHO HAVE BEEN CAPTURED BY THE FRENCH IN THE GREAT BATTLES THAT HAVE BEEN RAGING AROUND VERDUN. THEY ARE OBVIOUSLY ONLY SECOND OR THIRD LINE TROOPS, AND THE MAJORITY HAVE THE APPEARANCE OF BEING WELL ADVANCED IN YEARS.

### FAMOUS MILITARY CRITIC PAYS FINE TRIBUTE TO VALOR OF THE FRENCH IN THE VERDUN FIGHT

Col. Repington of the Times Tells of the Great Fighting Qualities of the Defenders—French Excel in Handling of Heavy Artillery.

By Special Wire to the Courier.  
London, April 22.—(New York Herald)—Colonel Repington, the Times' military correspondent, who has just made a trip to the Verdun front, pays a very high tribute to the valor of the French troops and the military judgment of their commanders in the following despatch: "We must render great homage to the stubborn defenders of Poivre Hill, the Mort Homme, Vaux fort and other French positions on the Verdun front for their magnificent fighting through the great Verdun battle. "The French aviators also deserve the highest praise. During my visit I saw many aviators brave the enemy's anti-air craft guns with the greatest intrepidity, but I did not see a single German aviator cross our front. In a single day the French accounted for six German airships without themselves sustaining any loss. "From my personal experience I am of the opinion that the French anti-aircraft guns are superior to those of the Germans and it also appears to me that our allies employ

this artillery upon more scientific principles. "THE ARTILLERY "General Petain realized the role which artillery was to play in this war after the second month of the conflagration. He rapidly learned to appreciate the value of curtain fire. This marvellous operation of modern artillery is particularly suited to the French genius and to the terribly destructive fire of the famous 'soixante-quinze.' "Nevertheless it is in the employment of heavy artillery that General Petain excels. He has rendered the use of this heavy artillery, extraordinarily 'supple' and the heavy guns have become a battle instrument of marvellous efficacy. General Joffre spoke to me with enthusiasm of the method whereby the French medium calibre guns, such as those of 155mm and 215mm are made to dominate the German guns, which are often heavier and of longer range. "The Germans have engaged all their available troops in this battle and after the arrival of a division withdrawn from the Russian front a few days ago, they now have thirty divisions in the Verdun theatre.

### ANGRY WITH MR. LLOYD GEORGE

Accused by His One-Time Friends of Trying to be an Autocrat in Great Britain.

By Special Wire to the Courier.  
London, April 22.—Displeasure expressed by the Radicals over the attitude of David Lloyd-George, Minister of Munitions, culminated to-day in a remarkable open letter by Alfred G. Gardiner, editor of the Daily News in which Mr. Gardiner charges Mr. Lloyd-George with responsibility of the government crisis just passed. The Minister of Munitions, who for the first year of the war was the idol of the Radicals has been championed lately by the so-called Northcliffe press and the Conservative organs which have been the severest critics of the government. "The crisis this week," says Mr. Gardiner's letter, was the culmination of all your activities. The country has made its choice between Asquith and you. It heard much about Asquith from your friends of the press. You escaped insult. You will escape exposure no longer. "In the heated over-wrought atmosphere of your mind you believe yourself a Man of Destiny. Democracy has been only a vehicle to you, not a faith. When the storm came advanced within you a short work of the democrat. Now you could have that ten months' power of Napoleon whereof you once spoke to me. Parliament became a nuisance and democracy an encumbrance for Napoleon making a new heaven and earth. "You never understood nor liked trade unionism. You are essentially an agrarian agitator. This has been the crucial collision between you and Asquith. Throughout he sought to carry labor with him. You in apocalyptic vision of yourself as the saviour of Europe, turned to compulsion. You were one of the chief architects of the fallen Liberal government and the establishment of the coalition. But the new government was not what you intended. Asquith, Grey, Kitchener remained, and it was subjected from the outset to bitter relentless attacks. "Am I wrong in assuming you have been in close intimacy with the chief assailants of the government?"

QUET HOLIDAY  
"It speaks very creditably indeed of Brantford's peaceableness," said Chief Slemis this morning "that not a single arrest was made over the holiday, in a city of close onto 30,000 inhabitants, this is something to be proud of. There was, of course, no police court this morning. In all other circles, the holiday was also a quiet one. The firemen had a day of rest also, they having received no alarms. BOMBED SOFIA  
By Special Wire to the Courier.  
Amsterdam, via London, April 22.—An aeroplane of the Entente allies has dropped two bombs on small houses in the suburbs of Sofia, according to a report received here. There were no casualties.

### GOOD FRIDAY AT ST. BASIL'S

Mass of the Pre-Sanctified Solemnized Yesterday.

Mass of the pre-sanctified was solemnized yesterday morning at St. Basil's Church, when the host consecrated the day previous was consumed, as no host may be consecrated on Good Friday. Rev. Dean Brady, assisted by Rev. Father Padden, said the mass. The Passion of Christ, as found in the gospel of St. John, was also read in both English and Latin at this service. Stations of the Cross were made in public in the evening.

Rev. Dean Brady being assisted by Rev. Father Dogorski, Dean Brady preached a most inspiring sermon from the text "Greater love than this hath no man, that he lay down his life for his friend," depicting Christ's sufferings and death for the redemption of mankind. Veneration of the cross was held both morning and evening, and the annual collection for the Holy Land was taken up at both services. The first mass of the Resurrection was solemnized this morning, together with the ceremonies of reading the prophetic and the blessing of the fire, the paschal candle, the Easter water and the baptismal font.

Explosion in Cronstadt  
By special Wire to the Courier.  
Petrograd, via London, April 22.—Seven persons were killed and 17 injured as the result of a fire in an explosives factory at Cronstadt, according to the Russian semi-official news agency.

### PTE MOUNFIELD KILLED IN ACTION

Splendid Type of Soldier Dies for the Empire.

DEATH CAME TWO WEEKS AGO

Pte. W. Carr of the 58th, Also is Reported Killed.

Pte. Kenneth Robertson Mounfield, who left Brantford with the second contingent, was killed in action on April 8th, is the news in to-day's casualty list, although a brother in London was apprised of the sad fact by a telegram from Ottawa yesterday. Pte. Mounfield was one of the very best specimens of a soldier. He was a man of magnificent physique, and was such a striking figure on parade and had such a soldierly bearing, that twice he was picked out by his superior officers, once to be a non-com, and once to take out a commission. In both cases he refused, preferring to remain with the boys he joined up with. He was an exceptionally useful soldier in that he had a good working knowledge of both the French and German language. He was unmarried. His parents are dead, his father died only two months ago. A married sister Mrs. Gillies, lives on Terrace Hill. Before enlisting he was a machinist. He was also a prominent worker in the Y. M. C. A.

PTE. CARR ALSO  
Pte. W. Carr, a former employee of the Brown-Jarvis Roofing Co., is also reported killed. He joined the 58th in St. Catharines. While here, he lived in Eagle Place.

FOR WIRELESS SERVICE.  
St. Thomas Journal: Ernest M. Bround, chief clerk at the local offices of the C.P.R. has enlisted for service as a wireless operator, and will leave in a few days for Halifax, where he will take a final test for efficiency, and if successful be ready to go anywhere the service calls him. Mr. Bround has already passed the initial tests in wireless telegraphy at Fort Burwell. Mr. Bround came to this city from Brantford about a year and a half ago and has been in the service of the C.P.R. for about nine years.

### HEAVY BOMBARDMENT OF FRENCH FRONT BEFORE VERDUN YESTERDAY

Advances of Germans Against French Lines Between the Meuse and Fort Vaux Stopped by Artillery Fire.

By Special Wire to the Courier.  
Paris, April 22, 12.50 p.m.—An intense bombardment of the French front before Verdun, between the Meuse and Fort Vaux was followed by an attempt on the part of the German troops to advance. The War Office announcement of this afternoon says the advance was prevented by the artillery fire of the French, which inflicted heavy losses on the Germans. The statement also says a German attack north of Caurettes wood, in which liquid fire was used, also was repulsed.

### AMBASSADOR GERARD HAS PRESENTED AMERICAN NOTE

Now Waiting at Washington to Hear How the News was Taken at Berlin; Note May Come by Middle of Week.

By Special Wire to the Courier.  
Washington, April 22.—With official word that the American note had been presented to the Berlin foreign office, administration officials momentarily expected definite advices from Ambassador Gerard as to how the communication was received, together with some indications as to the nature of the German reply. In reporting the delivery of the note late Thursday afternoon, Ambassador Gerard advised the state department that he had afterwards conferred briefly with Foreign Minister Von Jagow. The contents of another message from the ambassador, was closely guarded, although it is said he informed the department that assurances had been given him of immediate consideration of the document. Some officials indicated that they look for a reply from Germany by the middle of next week. Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, who is away on a brief trip, is not expected to return until Monday, unless important dispatches regarding the submarine issue are received at the embassy before that time. It is known that he has advised his government to modify its submarine policy to meet America's latest demands.

CENSORSHIP RAISED  
The censorship has been raised, it is understood since Thursday night. It was very rigid for a while, one citizen of this city having to wait 10 days for a letter to arrive here from Buffalo.

CELLAR FLOODED  
Charles Savory, owner of the property at 19 Jubilee avenue, makes a claim against the board of works for \$6 damages done his cellar when it was flooded, because, he claims, of the valves being shut in the storm sewers. EASTER SUNDAY.  
The best dinner in Canada for 75c. at "The Kerby." Why not try it? The Federal court has enjoined the enforcement of negro segregation ordinance in St. Louis, Mo.

### ARTILLERY DUEL IN MACEDONIA

No Infantry Fighting Except Clashes Between Patrols.

AVIATORS ARE VERY ACTIVE

French Machine Returned Unhurt After 400-Mile Flight.

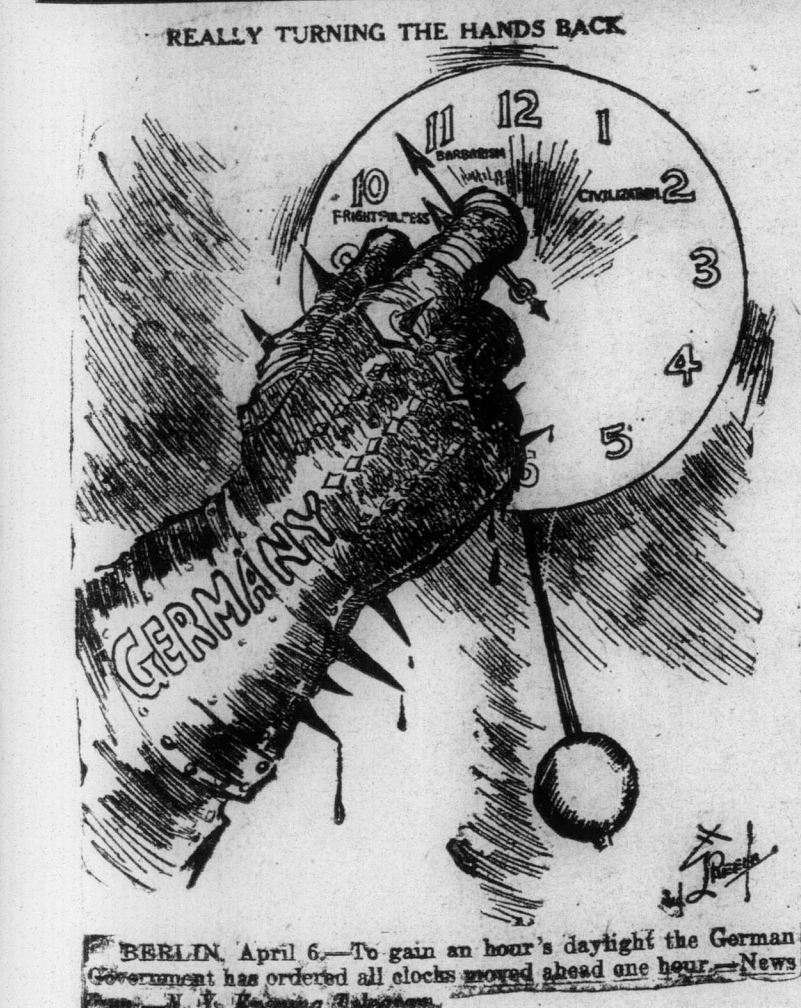
By Special Wire to the Courier.  
Paris, April 22.—The artillery duel along the Macedonian front continued yesterday, the Havas correspondent at Saloniki telegraphed. There was no activity on the part of infantry except for the usual clashes between patrols. The aviation corps is very active. The French aeroplane which flew over Sofia returned unscathed from its 400-mile trip. It dropped four bombs of large calibre on a Zeppelin shed at Sofia. Two French aeroplane squadrons bombarded the German camp at Petrich yesterday and another squadron dropped bombs on German troops concentrating in the region of Diran. German fliers attacked Grassouti, but did no damage.

### Hungarian Papers Start Agitation in Favor of Peace

Premier Asquith's Recent Speech Gets Them Going, as They Are Afraid Hungary Will be Swallowed Up by Germany.

By Special Wire to the Courier.  
London, April 22.—The Daily Telegraph's Milan correspondent says that a significant symptom regarding the Hapsburg monarchy is shown by an outburst of the Hungarian newspapers in favor of peace. Premier Asquith's recent speech regarding peace conditions, the despatch says, has been commended by Hungarians who are anxious on account of German aggressiveness respecting small nationalities at the end of the war. In connection with the visit to Berlin made by Baron Burian, Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, it is suggested that Germany proposed that the Hapsburg monarchy should be divided into small autonomous states, presumably in order that they may be more easily swallowed up by Germany. The Slav nationalities, it is hinted, are to be given the minimum of liberty, Galicia also receiving autonomy. The correspondent says that the Hungarians have taken umbrage feeling that their turn would come next and that the Magyars would thus succumb to German predominance. EASTER SUNDAY.  
The best dinner in Canada for 75c. at "The Kerby." Why not try it? Legislature is preparing a measure for new aldermanic districts in Manhattan.

### COURIER'S DAILY CARTOON



BERLIN, April 6.—To gain an hour's daylight the German Government has ordered all clocks moved ahead one hour. News

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