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PRELUDE AND PROPHECY OF GEN. MACKENSEN

Ambitious Plans in Confidential Order Were Recapture of Galicia and of Warsaw in a Month

London, July 13.—Telegraphing to the Daily News from Petrograd, Frederick Connell says:

"The defeat and pursuit by the Russians has so reduced the scope of the enemy's offensive that it is impossible for their morale to withstand further shocks."

"Von Mackensen's position is now most critical."

Army Corps Vanished.

The Petrograd correspondent of the Daily Telegraph cables:

"It is authoritatively stated that the force of the enemy which was decisively defeated south-east of Lublin, consisted of about three army corps, at least one of which has vanished from the field in consequence of last week's losses."

"In this area the enemy is everywhere withdrawing his troops, and in some parts the retreat has the character of flight. The artillery is being rushed to the rear and the infantry left to its fate."

Only Small Front.

"For the present, however, we must not over-estimate the success of the Russians as the sector between the Vistula and by Chawa, thirty miles south of Lublin, constitutes only a small front cut of a total front of about 1,000 miles. Both the Germans and Austrians are showing signs of great activity in other districts but it remains to be seen whether this activity indicates a serious aggressive or is merely designed to suggest their existence so as to disturb the plans of the Russians."

The Trifling Prelude.

"The ambitious plans propounded in the confidential army order of General von Mackensen, which came to light during the recent fighting, are not likely to be realized. According to this document, the recapture of Galicia was to be 'merely the trifling prelude to a great war-like drama, the last act of which will be played out in the environs of Kiev.'"

The Prophecy.

The order concludes with the word: "If the ten months' fortification of Galicia by the Russians is destroyed in about a month, we must expect that in even a shorter time we will reach the ancient capital of Russia and permanently occupy her southwestern district."

Prisoners Harvesting.

According to a telegram from Warsaw, the Germans have brought into the occupied district of Poland large numbers of British and French prisoners who are compelled to work at the harvest eighteen hours a day. Russian prisoners are being sent for a similar purpose into Belgium and France.

Noisy German Was Silenced

Toronto, July 8.—The Globe publishes the following incident connected with the German convention in Detroit this week.

The trend of public sentiment in the United States was demonstrated somewhat effectively in the rotunda of the hotel shortly before the meeting. Weiler, the Milwaukee man, was expressing his German views. About six feet away sat a bulky clean-shaven man, with a grey tweed suit and a big gold watch fob. At first he was reading a newspaper, but as the Teuton's strong words reached his ears he gradually lowered it.

Finally, unable to longer remain silent, he exclaimed: "For 34 years I never sang God Save the King. I tried to sing it for the first time about a year ago. I don't believe in lots of things Britain has done. I don't believe in her coalition government now, but by heaven, they'll hand that Kaiser of yours the greatest trimming in history or I miss my guess."

The Teuton shrugged his shoulders and walked away from the irate interrupter. In response to inquiry, the latter said his name was Patrick Hayes, and his home New York City. "I'm one of those fellows you used to call Fenians!" he exclaimed.

"One dollar, please," said the dentist.

"A dollar. But your sign reads: 'Painless extraction of teeth free.'"

"Just so! But as you delivered a bit, this does not apply in your case. I do my painless extracting free exactly as I claim. When it hurts I charge for it. One dollar, please."

MANY SPIES BEHIND LINES

Numerous Tricks Adopted By Germans to Give Information About Allies

A very interesting letter has been received from Gunner Reginald Grant, the 4th Battery, 1st Artillery Brigade, by Charles Bruyere, 15 Osgoode street. Gunner Grant enlisted from Ottawa with the first contingent and is a brother of the Misses Grant, 252 Cooper street. The letter is dated May 8 and is from Belgium. Gunner Grant gives some very good instances of the methods of German spies operated behind the British lines for giving away the positions of hospitals, guns, etc. The letter in part is as follows:

Has Escaped.

"I have had some time since I left Ottawa. We have been in several engagements, the first of which was in France. We got in a pretty hot position, but I managed to get through without a wound. I have had many narrow escapes from German snipers. These fellows get behind our lines and hide in haystacks, old buildings or up in trees, close to where our troops are. They never shoot you when you are facing them for fear of giving away their positions but wait till you are past or when your back is turned. We have caught many of them and shot them."

"I suppose you heard about our great victory by this time. We had a good many casualties. We have been in a good many battles since. The Germans are using that poisonous gas against us. It affects men at first principally in the eyes and the stomach but I am getting used to it now. It is very effective on the French foreign troops, but the Canadian boys are getting used to it."

Numerous Spies.

"We have numerous spies behind our lines and I will give you a few instances of their methods: Two women were caught in a hospital each carrying a basket with the pretence of selling chocolates, etc. Instead of the candy they had a number of pigeons in the baskets with notes attached to them. These when let loose fly back to the German lines. Some of these pigeons were let loose early in the morning and the hospital was shelled that evening, when it was full of patients."

"A man was caught spying at the same hospital carrying out messages. At another time two men were caught signalling with a lamp through a secret door in a chimney where we had our guns."

"Another man had some cattle which he took into a field near where our guns were, evidently to let them graze. Our guns were in position to fire across this field. This man brought his cows and placed them, each in front of our guns, thus giving away their position. He was caught, too late and German shells came over like rain."

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CANADIANS ON HOLIDAY FROM FIGHTING LINE

Cols. Currie and Meighen Back to Recuperate—Give Some Experiences From the Front

Montreal, July 13.—The Allan liner Hesperian reached Quebec yesterday and this port to-day, carrying a large number of officers who have been given a holiday from the trenches. Among them were Lieut.-Col. Currie, M.P., Toronto, who commanded the 15th Battalion; Lieut.-Col. F. S. Meighen, Montreal, who commanded the 14th Battalion; Major J. Lightfoot, of the Winnipeg and Calgary Regts., and Lieut.-Col. H. S. Labatt, Hamilton, of the 4th Battalion.

The returning officers will train men going to the front in the methods of fighting called for by trench conditions.

Lieut.-Col. Currie, who is recovering from gas, gave the highest praise to the men he had under him at St. Julien, where his battalion suffered so heavily.

Lt.-Col. Labatt's Return.

Lieut.-Col. Labatt returned with Mrs. Labatt, who had gone to England to meet him and both were taken straight to Hamilton from Quebec, by the private car of Hon. J. D. Reid, minister of customs, who is a brother-in-law of Lieut.-Col. Labatt.

Three officers who had been with Lieut.-Col. Labatt at the front, Capt. Begg, A. L. Luchanan and Lieut. J. R. Anderson, returned by the Hesperian. Lieut.-Col. Labatt was invalided home after the battle of Festubert. He expects that he will be all right again in two or three months.

Chemists and Organizers.

Asked if the German soldier, because of his long training, surpassed the Canadians, Col. Meighen said: "I would not call them good soldiers. They are good chemists and splendid organizers. Their artillery work is wonderful. They have the range of every ditch and road in the country and they can drop a shell wherever they please. They are fighting us now with the machine-gun. They are supposed to have twelve to a battalion and they have separate battalions which have machine-guns and nothing else. I hope that we will follow their example with this, as a few men with a machine gun can do as much damage as a hundred with rifles. But as soldiers they will never wait for a hand-to-hand contest."

Scout Disappointed.

On board the Hesperian was a lad of fourteen who never saw the front, but who was so anxious to get there that he provided himself with a Boy Scout costume and went with one of the second contingent regiments as a stowaway. On the other side he stayed for a while with a Nova Scotia regiment, with which he went, but his entreaties to be allowed to remain and go to the front with the men fell on deaf ears.

Col. Currie Well.

Col. Currie looks remarkably well and is not suffering from gas poisoning, as was reported. In an interview the colonel said the hardest part of his home-coming will be meeting those people who have been bereaved. It was impossible even to notify them of the losses. "I did not have my boots or clothes off from April 21 to May 2. Everything behind us was disorganized."

Gassed at St. Julien.

He was gassed at St. Julien. He was sent before the medical board in London, however, and ordered to take an extended leave of absence. He intended to return to the front in August or September. He absolutely declined to discuss the Ross rifle, but intimated that later he would have something to say on that subject. Col. Currie states that some 148 members of his command are prisoners in Germany.

The Acid Test.

The Declaration of Independence furnishes an infallible test for every important public measure. However plausible the argument in its favor, no governmental policy can be right which is not strictly in accord with the doctrine that all men have equal rights to life, liberty and pursuit of happiness. That is the test which can not be safely undergone by any of the laws or policies contacting privileges, limiting suffrage, or tending to interfere with the individual's rights to freedom of action limited only by the equal rights of others.—The Public (Chicago.)

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