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HAIG LAUNCHES VIOLENT ATTACK ALONG THE ARRAS-CAMBRAI ROAD START OF WESTERN FAIR WAS NEVER BETTER

HORSE EXHIBIT AT WESTERN IS GREATEST ON RECORD; OTHER CLASSES ARE ABOVE STANDARD

Start Never Better Says President Gartschore, and All Indications Point to This Being Mild Statement of the Facts—Poultry Exhibit Is Immense.

"Do you know how it is we get such fine weather for the Western Fair," said the Irish director today, who has been associated with the fair board for the last fifty years. "About a week before the fair is due to start we get fine weather for fair week." We promise we won't ask for another single thing all the year, if we only get fine weather for fair week. There now, you see how it is," he concluded with a chuckle.

This morning it looked as if the prayers of the directors were answered as well as fervent, and that the fine weather spell might hold for some days to come.

Fine weather, coupled with the good reputation of the Western Fair of 1918, which has already gone abroad, served to bring out throngs of visitors this forenoon, and a big attendance to see the grandstand attractions, which started at 2 o'clock.

Families came and brought the lunch baskets in the good old-fashioned way, and for those who came unfortified with edibles, there were refreshment booths and dining halls galore in which to appease appetites and the changing of dinner bells and shouts of good bakers testified.

Judging Has Begun.

In the "palace" the prizes were making a merry din, pounding out thirteen different tunes at one and the same time, a sign by which the noted can tell that the Western Fair is going strong. Then the cards, fans and other souvenirs were being distributed, to the joy of the juvenile visitors, and the mothers and daddies who have a regard for the kiddies at the fair. Judging of horses, poultry, fine arts, cheese, butter, and women's work is in progress today and so expeditiously have the adjudicators dispatched their business that many of the exhibits are already ticketed in red, blue, yellow and pink.

The dairy products are to be sold at auction in the dairy hall this evening at 7 o'clock.

The main building has this year overflowed onto "Society Row," where a piano firm is amongst those under canvas. This is typical of the crowding in the fair grounds.

Hear Mysterious Hammering.

The vicinity of the exhibition grounds has been aroused over mysterious hammering, which was in progress all night long. The explanation is a new horse barn, which has sprung into existence with marvellous rapidity. Taking stock of the new accommodation, the Western Fair directors discovered on Saturday night that they were going to be short about 40 horse stalls. There was nothing to be done but the emergency by rounding up gangs of workmen and material and rushing up another barn.

Even with the new accommodation, the directors are at their wits end to know what to do with all the horse-flesh entries and many more besides.

In the poultry department alone, there are 2,500 entries, stridles ahead of any other year. Coops and still more coops have been piled up for the reception of the feathered guests.

Talking of poultry, one of the exhibits in the poultry hall which has attracted much attention is a downy brood of chicks, fluffy cream-colored balls that pecked their way into the world on Sunday, via the incubator route. The incubator forms the background and at the feet of the chicks.

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MUNTS TRY IN VAN TO STOP ALLIED DRIVE

Germany Making a Desperate Stand On the Western Front.

FOCH ON THE ALERT
Allied Commander-in-Chief Has Outwitted Enemy at Every Turn.

LONDON, Sept. 9.—The battle on the western front is entering a new phase. The enemy at last is making a serious stand just short of the series of positions commonly called the Hindenburg line.

The Germans are doubling their rear guards and seeking by counter-attacks to slow up, if they cannot stop outright, the encroaching tide of the Allies. Efforts have been in vain, notwithstanding the measures adopted in checking the advance of the French and the British, for both pushed forward yesterday in the direction of St. Quentin. The French made such progress across the Crozat Canal that the enemy no longer can hope to defend it.

General Humbert's centre is at the gates of La Fere and General Mangin's left is beginning to creep around the St. Gobain forest by the west, while his right beat off the enemy's attacks, by which the Germans sought to cling to the Alsne front. More of such attacks are possible from the rain, and they know how to deal with them. They are now making a more serious effort to break through the line.

General Ludendorff is working for the respite which he must have if he is to sort out his disorganized divisions and try to whip up some sort of strategic reserve. This respite he hopes his short-term offensive will give him. Whether it will give him, Marshal Foch is likely to be aware, however, whether the enemy is sufficiently weakened and demoralized to be smashed in at some point of the present battlefield, or whether a stroke elsewhere would be advisable, thus giving the armies that have fought so indeligably for the past two months a rest.



Advertiser illustration. "Fitz" (Fitzgerald) is a "White Guard"—"It may be so. But it has got a gun and may know how to shoot."—London Bystander.

RUTH AND AGNEW, TYLER AND KILLIFER, TODAY'S BATTERIES

Fourth Game Opens at Boston This Afternoon.

CHICAGO.—The crowd gave Flack a good cheer when he singled sharply to right after the count was two balls and one strike. Hollocher lined to Scott, and Flack darted back to first base safely. Agnew picked Flack off first base with a lightning throw to McInnis. Mann fouled out to McInnis. No run. One hit. No errors.

SOVIET GOVERNMENT HOLDING LOCKHART PENDING AGREEMENT

Bolshevik Officials Demand Safe Conduct for London Representatives.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 9.—The Soviet Government of Russia is willing to prepare for the exchange of prisoners with Great Britain if the neutral powers will undertake to guarantee that the Bolshevik representatives at London are given a safe conduct home. The following statement by Foreign Minister Tchicherin, forwarded to the Vassische Zeitung by the Petrograd Telegraph Agency outlines the conditions under which the Soviet Government will act:

"After discovery of the course of action of the French and British diplomats, whose activities were directed against the Soviet power, the Government of the Soviet republic found itself obliged to isolate various agents of the powers named. Nevertheless, the Government, as before, is willing to prepare for the exchange of prisoners if the neutral powers will undertake to guarantee that the Soviet citizens receive a safe conduct that the Bolshevik representatives at London are given a safe conduct home."

"Those conditions must, together with free exit from London, be guaranteed by the neutral powers. M. Litvinoff is being notified by telegraph and on receipt of his answer confirming his signature, H. Lockhart, acting British consul-general, and the accompanying mail, will then be handed over to the protection of the Dutch representatives."

PREVENTIVE ARRESTS ONLY.

LONDON, Sept. 9.—A dispatch received here today from neutral sources in Petrograd says that the British Government is more serious than preventive arrests have occurred in the case of the Allied communities in Petrograd.

LEAVES ON RETURN TRIP.

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 9.—Max Miller, aviator, who inaugurated the aerial mail service between New York and Chicago last Friday, left on his return trip to New York at 6 a.m. today. Flying conditions were said to be perfect, and Miller expected to hang up a new record.

BOLSHEVIKI TAKE 512 LIVES FOR ONE

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 9.—According to an official announcement made at Petrograd and received here today by telegraph, says that up to the present 512 so-called counter-revolutionaries, including ten members of the Right Social Revolutionary party have been shot as a reprisal for the murder of Moses Uritsky, chairman of the Petrograd committee for the suppression of a counter-revolution.

In Smolensk 34 large landowners and the former Moscow Archimandrite Makari, have been shot. The Petrograd attempt made on the life of Premier Lenin.

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE AT WAR EXPOSITION

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GERMANS CAN HOLD OUT LONG TIME YET SAYS HIGH OFFICIAL

Deputy Chief of the Kaiser's General Staff Is Optimistic Yet.

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 9.—In a lecture on the war in Berlin, Lieut.-Gen. Baron von Freytag-Loringhoven, deputy chief of the general staff, contended that the present crisis on the western front was less serious than many others during the course of the war.

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REPORT UNCONFIRMED.

OTTAWA, Sept. 9.—Reports that Major-General Leslie may be appointed justice of the Ontario supreme court, are stated here to be merely conjectural. The matter has not been considered in council.

ALLIED FORCES ARE WITHIN FEW MILES OF OF ST. QUENTIN TOWN

CONGRATULATES HAIG

LONDON, Sept. 9.—Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the admiralty, has telegraphed to Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, the heartiest congratulations of the admiralty on the triumphant continued advance of the British armies in France. He says that the army is following every movement of the sister services with admiration and pride, and hopes that it may also have a chance of following the example of the army in crushing the enemy.

BANDIT HOLDS UP CARD GAME; KILLS ONE MAN

Western Bad Man Puts On a Regular Movie Thriller.

DESPERADO ESCAPED

Players Thought That It Was Only a Joke at First.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 9.—Masked and dressed in movie masquerade costume, a bandit entered a private home, where seven or eight men were playing cards, and watching the game about midnight last night. In the middle of the night a brusque command to hand over valuables. Thos. J. Roberts, a pioneer hotelman of Vancouver, was shot dead, and Harry James, a logger, was seriously wounded. The bandit, after lining the remaining players up against the wall, backed out of the house to a waiting taxicab and made his escape.

When the bandit entered the room, the players were inclined to believe that a hoax was being perpetrated, and it was not until the robber, holding a demand for a diamond ring on Roberts' cards, and having obtained other booty, punctuated his remarks with a revolver shot, that the card players saw they were in a desperate game. Roberts was unable to get the ring off his finger and invited the robber to try for himself. As Roberts shoved his hand toward the bandit, he attempted at the same time to knock the gun from the desperado's grasp. The men grappled and Roberts was almost instantly killed.

James then grappled with the murderer, but the latter was too quick for less serious than many others during the course of the war.

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British Patrols Have Occupied the Towns of Vermand and Vendelles —Poilus Hold Crozat Canal Along Its Entire Length.

LONDON, Sept. 9, 1 p.m.—Pushing ahead today on the front between Peronne and St. Quentin, British patrols have occupied the towns of Vermand, five miles northwest of St. Quentin, and Vendelles, two miles north of Vermand.

The British this morning were attacking Gouzeaucourt, southeast of Havrincourt Wood. They are on the western and northern edges of Epehy, within two and a half miles of the Hindenburg line, opposite Le Catelat, and their patrols are reported to have passed through the village.

Field Marshal Haig's armies in force this morning advanced in the area west and northwest of St. Quentin and are now five miles from the Hindenburg line. They are still pressing forward.

The British made a formidable thrust this morning north of the Arras-Cambrai road.

In Flanders, it is stated that the Germans have removed their artillery to the east of the Lys River.

French troops now hold the Crozat Canal practically along its whole length. They are only four miles from St. Quentin, and their cavalry patrols are close to La Fere.

BRITISH REPULSE GERMAN RAIDS IN ARLEUX-EN-GOHELLE REGION

LONDON, Sept. 9.—Last night passed in quiet along the British front in Northern France and Flanders, except for artillery activity and minor raiding operations, according to today's war office report.

Southeast of Lens, in the region of Arleux-en-Gohelle, a German raiding party was repulsed. The text of the statement reads: "A hostile raiding party was successfully repulsed last night north of Arleux-en-Gohelle."

"With the exception of artillery activity in different localities on both sides, particularly in the neighborhood of the Arras-Cambrai road and in the La Bassée Canal and Ypres sectors, there is nothing to report."

FRENCH TROOPS CROSS THE CROZAT CANAL OPPOSITE LYS

PARIS, Sept. 9.—North of the Somme, French troops have made a further advance in the direction of Clastres, and have occupied Lomot Farm, according to the war office announcement today.

French troops have crossed the Crozat Canal, opposite Lys, three miles southwest of Vendelle.

Two strong German counter-attacks were repulsed by the French in Laffaux region, northeast of Soissons. The French took 80 prisoners belonging to five different regiments.

GERMANS CLAIM SUCCESS.

Berlin, via London, Sept. 9.—Entente Allied attacks north of Arrmentieres, Flanders, yesterday were repulsed by the Germans, who took prisoners, says the official statement issued today by the German general staff.

Between the Ailette and Aisne rivers, the statement adds, the French were repulsed along the whole front with sanguinary losses.

PREMIER APPEALS FOR ECONOMY AT OPENING OF FAIR

OTTAWA, Sept. 9.—In opening the central Canada Exhibition, Ottawa, this afternoon, Sir Robert Borden made a plea for economy. "There must be an avoidance of waste in all departments of national activity, by federal, provincial and municipal governments," he declared. "This can be accomplished only by the cultivation of a healthy public opinion, and by the realization of the same purpose by the people in their own personal affairs. The country's resources are enormous and they must be conserved as far as possible for the benefit of the whole people."

COUNT DE LESSEPS KILLED.

PARIS, Sept. 9.—Count Bertrand de Lesseps was killed while leading a reconnoitering party of his regiment, the 20th Light Horse, before Evroul. He was the third son of Ferdinand de Lesseps.

Count Bertrand de Lesseps was a brother of Count Jacques de Lesseps, the famous aviator, who is married to the daughter of Sir William Mackenzie, and is well known in Toronto.

RUSSIAN WOMEN HASTENING END OF BOLSHEVIKI

Dora Kaplan and Others Exert a Powerful Influence.

Stockholm, Sept. 8.—The Soviet republic has not realized the ideals of Russian women and they are playing an important part in hastening its end. Their influence in this connection is being exerted even more powerfully than it was in bringing the dictatorship of the proletariat into existence. Evidence of this has been observed by the writer, who came out of Russia with the American refugees, who reached Haparanda, Sweden, last week.

Several prominent officials have been slain since Mile Spiridonova's latest declaration, and now Nikolai Lenin, idol of the Bolsheviks, lies badly injured by the shots fired by a Russian woman, Dora Kaplan, a Social Revolutionary, who said she placed her life in jeopardy to save Russia and believed this could be realized only through a constituent assembly.

Mile Spiridonova and Mile Kaplan are educated women, the former a teacher, the latter a medical student.

LENINE'S ASSAILANT HAS BEEN EXECUTED

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 8.—Dora Kaplan, the alleged assailant of the Bolshevik premier, Lenin, was executed on September 4, according to a Moscow dispatch to the Lokal Anzeiger of Berlin.

LENINE IS RECOVERING.

LONDON, Sept. 8.—Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik premier, is recovering from the wounds recently inflicted on him, according to a medical bulletin received here by Russian wireless service, timed Sunday morning.

TURKEY SECURES ANOTHER LOAN FROM GERMANY

AMSTERDAM, Sept. 8.—The Turkish minister of finance announced today that Turkey has concluded a fresh loan from the German Government for 45,000,000 Turkish pounds, the Vossische Zeitung states. The conditions are identical with those of previous loans.

U. S. COTTON CROP.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—Cotton of the growth of 1918 gained ground to September 1, amounted to 1,039,520 bales, according to the census bureau, the census bureau today announced in its first biennial report of the season.

EUGENE DEBS ON TRIAL FOR BREACH OF ESPIONAGE ACT

Former Presidential Candidate Faces Charges of Serious Character.

CLEVELAND, Sept. 9.—The courtroom was crowded to capacity today, when Eugene V. Debs, former Socialist candidate for president of the United States, was placed on trial, charged with violation of the espionage act. Debs was secretly indicted by the federal grand jury here on June 23 on ten counts for remarks alleged to have been made in an address before the state convention of the Ohio Socialist party at Canton, Ohio, June 15 last. He was arrested June 30, as he was about to address a meeting of Cleveland Socialists.

If convicted Debs faces a sentence of 20 years' imprisonment, and a \$10,000 fine on each count.

OVER \$12,500,000 JUMP IN REVENUE

Big Increase Shown in Report of the Department of Finance.

OTTAWA, Sept. 9.—An increase of over \$12,500,000 in the revenue of the Dominion for the first five months of the current fiscal year ending August 31 is shown by the department of finance. The increase is encouraging because of the fact that customs collections have fallen off by approximately \$7,000,000.

MAJOR COULSON IS KILLED IN ACTION

[Special to the Advertiser.]

Niagara Falls, Sept. 9.—Major Byard Coulson, this city, one of the best known military men of this district, was killed in action on September 2nd, according to word received here today. He left here with the 24th Battalion in England. Recently he reverted and went to establish prohibition zones along the Niagara River. He leaves a wife and four children.

ESTABLISH PROHIBITION ZONES

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9.—Without a dissenting vote the House today passed, after a few minutes' consideration, the Senate resolution empowering the president to establish prohibition zones around munition factories, mines, shipyards and other war production plants.