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TROTZKY SPEAKS

Movement for Reorganization and Creative Work Has Arrived

RAISE LABOR OUTPUT Compulsory Military Service is to be Introduced In Russia

By Courier Leased Wire London, April 3—The Bolshe-viki government has crushed all its enemies, but cannot consider its power lasting owing to the disorganization of the country, Leon Trotzky declared in a speech at Moscow, a Reuter dispatch from Petrograd says. Trotzky asserted that the moment for re-organization and ment for re-organization and creative work had arrived, and that it was necessary to raise the output of the workingman and to dismiss undesirable elements.

MENTALES STATES ICE

London, April 8—The Bolshe-viki government has resolved to introduce compulsory military service, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Petrograd, and has agreed to clusion of peace from the Cen-tral Ukrainian Rada of Kiev.

It is reported that the Germans and Ukrainians will attempt a fresh advance on Kharkov from Poltava.

WAS NEAR PEACE London, April 3.-Austria-Hungary was recently "almost Hungary was recently "almost on the point of beginning peace negotiations with the Entente, Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Treign minister declared yeserday in an address to the Vienna municipal council. The wind "sliddenly veered," he added, the Entene deciding to await developments in his country which caused it hope that the dual monarchy "would soon be defenseless,"



HUNT PRO-GERMANS.

By Courier Leased Wire Washington, April 3.—Since the great battle in Picardy begun reports to the Department of Justice of mob attacks upon Germans and disloyal Americans have increased manyfold. Until recently these outbreaks, recorded by the bureau of in-vestigation in a file of newspaper clippings were quite in-frequent, now they are re-ported by the dozen daily. Officials pointed to this situation to-day as evidence of the urgent need of new legisla-tion to permit the Government to deal drastically with dis-loyal utterances and actions. They said the patience of the American people with dis-loyalty was becoming exhaust-ed and that a wave of bitter feeling might be expected to follow reports of casualties among the American soldiers now being sent to the front in

LA PATRIE DELIVERS

Conflict Now Begun Can Only Be Fatal to Civilians if Prolonged

French Repulsed German Attack South CANADIAN GUNS GIVE of Morevil Last Night, Enemy Being NOTICE OF READINESSTO Unable to Gain Footing Anywhere---Battle at a Comparative Standstill Along Entire Western Line

London, April 3.—British troops, after sharp fighting last night, repulsed a determined attack by the Germans in the neighborhood of Fampoux, the war office announced to-day.

The town of Ayette (about 8 miles southwest of Arras) is again in British posses-

sion, the statement announces. The text of the statement reads: "At dawn yesterday a determined attack made by a strong party of the enemy against our positions in the neighborhood of Fampoux was repulsed after sharp fighting. A number of German dead and a few prisoners were left in our hands.

"A successful local operation was undertaken by us last night in the neighborhood of Ayette, which is now in our possession." "Over 100 prisoners and three machine guns were captured by us," the official statement says. "We secured a few prisoners yesterday through the enterprize in the

neighborhood of Serre already reported.

There is nothing further to report from the battle front. 'Lincolnshire troops raided the enemy's trenches northeast of Loos yesterday and captured 31 prisoners and a machine gun. Another successful raid in which we BANQUET TO captured a few men was carried out by us last night northeast of Poelcapelle."

FOE FAILED TO GAIN FOOTHOLD

Paris, April 3.—A German attack south of Moreuil last night was repulsed by the French fire and the enemy was unable to gain a footing in any part of the French positions, the war office announces, except at one point. The French also broke up a

"On the front between the Somme and the Oise there was increasing activity on the part of the artillery on both sides. South of Moreuil the enemy made a spirited attack against the French positions between Morisel and Mailly-Rameval. It was repulsed by the French fire and the enemy was not able to gain a footing in the French fire and the enemy was not able to gain a footing in the French. If you seed by the French fire and the enemy was not able to gain a footing in the French.

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"A German effort north of Rollot was broken up by the French fire. Last night the French carried out a local operation on the slopes north of Plemont in the course of which our troops enlarged their position appreciably and took 60 prisoners. There is nothing to report from the remainder of the front.

"On March 31 and April 1, French aerial squadrons threw down 12,000 kilograms for their order on the reliable of the first than 13 tons) of projectiles on railways and cantonments at Ham, Chauny, Noylogic the search of the first was observed in the railway station at Chaulnes. German cantary forca."

La Presse has the following editial comment, under the caption "From Bad to Worse":

"We said yesterday that events which are occuring at Quebec seemed to be the result of an organization with a view to discredit our race and to increase the hatted of the first patriots who are not seemed to the standard our race and to increase the hatted of the first patriots who are not seemed to first the received an analyst and soldiers are supplyed. The service of the standard our race and to increase the hatted of the first patriots who are not seemed to the standard our race and to increase the hatted of the first patriots who are not seemed to the course of the patriots who are not seemed to the standard our race and to increase the hatted of the first patriots who are not seemed to the course of the first course of the battle line may be altered to the standard our race and to increase the hatted of the first patriots who are not seemed to the course of the patriots who are not seemed to the course of the patriots who are not seemed to the course of the course of the course of the standard our first of the course of the patriots who are not seem

MEET FOE OFFENSIVE

TO ENFORCE PEACE.

London, April 3 .- "I do not intend to go begging for peace or to obtain it by entreaties force it by our moral right and physical strength," Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister, declared in an address to the Vienna municipal council on Tuesday.
"Any other tactics I consider will contribute to the pro-longation of the war."

In regard to Bulgaria's claims against Serbia, the

Foreign Minister, said: "Bulgaria must receive from Serbia certain districts inhabited by Bulgarians. We, however, have no desire to destroy Serbia. We will enable Serbia to develop and would welcome closer economic relations with her."

VETERANS TOMORROW

Artillery Fire This Morning Again Did Great Damage to Hun Trenches

SMASH FOE DEFENCES

Artillery Co-Operated With Infantry in Gruelling Barrage Fire

MACHINE GUNS ACTIVE

High Spirits Everywhere With Canadian Forces on West Front

By W. A. Willison, Canadian Press Canadian Army Headquarters in the Field, via London, April 3.—Again this morning our guns, heavy and light, have smashed up the enemy trenches,

an enemy post and as a result of which we captured one prisoner.

In visits to batteries, battalions and brigades and divisions, I have found high spirits everywhere. It is felt that Germany has lost the first play in her desperate gamble for victory and while further bitter fighting is anticipated there is no conviction anywhere that the enemy can succeed in the ruture where he has failed in the past. Save for constant duels between our and enemy batteries, Easter Monday, the first anniversary of the day the Canadians took Vimy Ridge passed without incident beyond marked aerial activity. All day long the intermittent rattle of machine guns could be heard from our trenches directed against enemy places, while our anti-aircraft guns were repeatedly in action. At the same time our own machines were carrying out operations far into enemy territory and clashes between enemy planes were numerous. Battle conditions have succeeded the ordinary routine for the Canadian corps, but anyet no heavy fighting has taken place.

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