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AILWAY MEN AND OPERATORS WILL STRIKE TOMORR FRENCH SMASHING NEW AUSTRIAN POSITIONS IN ALBA

Allies Break Thru Positions in New Front of Enemy.

AUSTRIANS FATIGUED

Surrenders Frequent — Hold on Country Seriously Compromised.

Paris, July 14 .- An official statement on the Balkan operations issued

"In Albania the French troops continued their successful advance; they drove the enemy from Hill 500 and from the Village of Narta, at the confluence of the Tomorica and Devoli Rivers. On the right bank of the Devoli we occupied Gramshi."

prisoners taken by our troops has in-creased to 470. The enemy suffered very heavy losses during his retreat."
Success After Success-

London, July 14.-Reuter's correspondent on the Macedonian front, telegraphing Thursday, says: "The allied operations in southern Albania are resulting in one success after another, in spite of the diffi-cult nature of the country. There are no roads in the battle zone and communications are being kept up

over the rocky, precipitous mule "While the Italians are pushing along on the western wing and in the centre, where contact is being maintained with the French, the French are making good progress in the Bosnia region by overcoming enemy resistance and capturing the ridges of Kosnitza and the descending slopes.
"The French advance in the valley of the Tomorica River threatens the important town of Berat, which probably will be captured in a few days. The Austrians no longer are as deermined as they formerly were and surrenders by them are more frequent, especially among the Slavs, who are dead tired of campaigning in mountains and throw up their hands at the first opportunity. The Austrians are burning depots and villages which they abandon.

"All information obtainable is to

the effect that the enemy's position in southern Albania is seriously comnised and that there probably will be a further retreat in the north, thus freeing our communications between western Macedonia and the

Gathering Up Booty. Rome, July 14.—An official state-ment on the allied operations in the Balkans issued here says: "In Albania our troops maintain contact with the enemy on his new line north of the Semeni. East of the lower Devoli retreating columns of the enemy were dispersed by our detachments Thursday night. Between the Semeni and the Voyusa, the clearing of the ground and the gathering up of booty continues. The number of prisoners taken since July is more than 1800.

USUAL GUN DUELS MARK ITALIAN FRONT

Rome, July 14 .- "The usual artillery actions," says the war office statement today, "were more intense at intervals yesterday from the Valarsa to plateau. Our fire dispersed moving authorities. Prisoners and deserters nemy troops north of Borcola Pass. "At Cornone, new attacks by enemy patrols and detachments were prompt-"Three enemy airplanes

rought down in air fighting." BORDEN HONORED.

Degree of Doctor of Laws Conferred on Canadian Premier.

London, July 14 .- Sir Robert Borden on Saturday received the honorbridge University, the ceremony being carried out with customary picuresque ritual. Those present ir George and Lady Perley, and Sir diang in hospital at Cambridge.

HOUSEHOLDER CANNOT **BUY COAL IN TORONTO**

Dealers Refuse to Sell, Tho Figures Show Shipments Are Much Larger to Date This Year Than Last.

Labor conditions at present in the This little game was quite a

And in the meantime with cold next month. From present indications it would seem that last winter's sufwill happen this year if something is tainty is as bad as the refusal,

from the Village of Narta, at the confidence of the Tomorica and Devoli Rivers. On the right bank of the Devoli we occupied Gramshi."

An earlier statement on the Balkan operations, said:

"Eastern theatre, July 12—There was patrol encounters on the Struma, where patrol encounters on the Struma, where

The fact that coal cannot be bought at present is bad enough, but the sibility that he will be unable to get keep them busy until September de-livering it. They say the supply comshow that during the first six months of this year there were several hundred thousand tons more delivered in It is significant that the situation Toronto than for the corresponding period of last year. Yet in spite of the heavy deliveries there are probably more people in Toronto at present without their winter's supply, or the big companies apparently have no partial supply, than at this time last trouble. As one of them put it: "The year. This leads to the growing suspicion that coal is being hoarded in the city, and several cases which have come to The World's attention served delivered enormous quantities, but I to confirm this. In one case a dealer who has over 1500 tons of coal in if they wanted it. If they have not fn his yard refuses to take orders on the ground that his supply is already contracted for. If this is true the winter will be half over before his enterprise their could be the winter will be half over before the winter will be a winter with the winter will be winter with the winter will be a winter with the winter will be winter with the winter will be with the winter will be winter with the facilities for handling it why don't they turn it over to the little fellows? his customers receive their coal because he has only one horse and wagon to deliver it. Neighbors of this man think that he plans to keep his supply till the cold weather and dispose of it to farmers who, besides carting it away themselves, livery would be considered gladly pay any price that is asked dear public is concerned."

Labor conditions at present in the coal fields of Pennsylvania are decidedly unsettled and a strike is by no fleans an impossibility.

The United States fuel controller has already announced that domestic users of coal are to be rationed and allowed only sufficient coal to heat their homes to 65 degrees.

The allotment of coal by the United States to Canada has been reduced.
A national strike of the railway men of Canada is threatening.

The United States secretary for war The United States secretary for war has warned all railroads that it may be necessary for them to drop other tusiness and stand ready to meet all demands this fall for freight cars to move munitions and supplies for the army.

And in the mannine with cold

tonight, says:

"Eastern theatre, July 13—West of Doiran British troops carried out a successful raid on the Bulgarian lines.

And in the meantime with cold weather only two months away Toronto people are unable to buy coal and can receive only doubtful assurances that perhaps their orders will be filled pour order for future delivery; come back in a month and we will see what we can do." is the invariable fering and hardship will be but a slight to the man who remembers what he inconvenience as compared with what the knowledge that he is helpless

Serious Shortage Possible. The prospect, as far as can b "Eastern theatre, July 12—There was patrol encounters on the Struma, where Greek troops dispersed a Bulgarian detachment, and at the Cerna bend. Artillery activity was displayed by both sides in the neighborhood of Doiran, east of the Vardar and in the region of the lakes. In the course of aerial engagements an enemy airplane was forced by the British to land near Doiran.

"In Albania the enemy has retreated on an organized line, delimited by Pashtani, Selchani, Hill 500, the confluence of the Tomorica and the Devoli and Kurshova. The number of prisoners taken by our troops has increased to 470. The enemy suffered with the patron of the fact that coal cannot be bought. The property as far as can be take the prospect, as far as can be take than ever before. One broker just the structural treated to the broker just have the collection, is that Toronto house has been treated much more generous learned from the maze of doubts and contradictions, is that Toronto house has been treated much more generous learned from the maze of doubts and contradictions, is that Toronto house-holders will face a very serious fuel famine, and it will not be necessary for the government to order heatless days as far as they are concerned—the sent to a citizen who uses coal in an apartment house for heating water is a typical reply from the dealers to all whose leases cull for heat from September to May, intends, if the situation does not improve, to inform his tendered to the provision to furnish heat will depend the provision to furnish heat will depend the contradictions, is that Toronto house-holder after the provision to furnish heat the contradictions, is that Toronto house-holder after the provision to furnish the contradictions, is that trey will denoted the contradictions, is that Toronto house-holder after the provision to make the contradictions, is that Toronto house-holder after the provision to make the contradictions, is that Toronto house-holder after the provision to make the contradictions, is that the posterious fami

what I am up against and take their chances of securing heat," he added. sibility that he will be unable to get any before the cold weather sets in. The dealer will accept his cheque quickly enough, but will not promise delivery, and he is consequently kept reading a flaring poster tacked up in in a state of anxiety as to whether a public building warning people to his order will be filled or not. Just "Order your winter's coal now." now the big dealers say every pound thought the advice very good and pro-of coal they have is sold, and it will ceeded to act upon it. He is still acting but cannot get coal. "I intend writing the fuel commissioner to see ing in is limited, altho the railway if he cannot amplify his advice, which and steamboat companies figures is both thoughtful and timely, by tell-

It is significant that the situation believe they could get a great deal more down and corner the market. When the rush comes they say they are unable to get the men to deliver it and people are compelled to do that at their own expense. Far be it from me to suggest that the saving in delivery would be considered when the

BULGARIANS ENDURE MALADMINISTRATION

Large Trafalgar Square Meeting Corruption of Food Requisition-Condemns Government Proing Authorities Causes Much posals as Inadequate. Distress Among People.

London, July 14.-Recent distress London, July 14.—The largest mas in Bulgaria, it is declared, is due not since the war began assembled yesto any shortage of food, but to maladterday as a demonstration to demand were more intense at inter-interpolation with the value of the Value of the Asiago with the part of the requisitioning of all enemy aliens and the removal from public office, of "all persons of the fields.
enemy taint." Colonel Edward Pryceare unanimous in complaining of the suffering caused by the methods of requisitioning which provoke bitter resentment and the agents employed the new proposals which the governhave to be escorted by soldiers in the Food riots are reported from a con-

money, uniforms and munitions.

General Protogherow, former minister of provisioning, was strongly opposed to the exportation of any but certain superfluous foodstuffs, which same lines, I will refuse to allow them the farmers think of something else for the silos. What about sweet clover, hitherto a nuisance on many farms. In

R. Operators Promise to Go Out Too if Necessary.

LINEMEN SYMPATHIZE

They Will Stand Behind Other Employes if Help Is Needed.

understood that he may arrive in Toronto today.

ANOTHER BIG CUT IN MEAT RATIONS

Germans After Middle of August to Eat Less Still.

Amsterdam, July 14. - According to a Berlin despatch printed in The Frankfurter Zeitung, the present meat ration of 250 grammes will be distributed only until the middle of August, when it will be reduced to 200 grammes for all lation of more than 100,000. Smaller towns which are assumed to receive plenty of supplies of vegetables from surrounding districts will be allowed even a smaller meat ration.

BRITISH ADVANCE LINE

London, July 14.-The report from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters in France tonight reads:

tured over 260 prisoners.
"On the remainder of the British front there is nothing to report."

The Hayfields and Sunshine.

Sunday was a genuine July summer day, almost the first we've had. In proof, the middle of July and no flies yet to bother horses working or live stock in

But the sun was busy drying the hay the farmers were able to rake their hay would be found adequate. The crowd, cut into rows, followed by the hay-loadhowever, expressed its disapproval and ing machines, and a quick trip to the prevented the speaker from continuing. What we want is sunshine right siderable number of towns. A large amount of grain, cheese and butter is exported to Germany in return for and the chairman of the meeting de-

certain superfluous foodstuffs, which is garried out with customary picture and the country districts were able to speak."

In George and Lady Perley, and Sirelliam and Lady Pererson. Sirelliam and more complete resolution in the silos. What about sweet clover, hitherto a nuisance on many farms. In other places of America it has been found to be a good substitute for fodder corn; but there's a time to cut it. Let the department of the silos. What about sweet clover, hitherto a nuisance on many farms. In other places of America it has been found to be a good substitute for fodder corn; but there's a time to cut it. Let the department of the silos. What about sweet clover, hitherto a nuisance on many farms. In other places of America it has been found to be a good substitute for fodder corn; but there's a time to cut it. Let the department of the silos. What about sweet clover, hitherto a nuisance on many farms. In other places of America it has been found to be a good substitute for fodder corn; but there's a time to cut it. Let the department of the silos. What about sweet clover, hitherto a nuisance on many farms. In other places of America it has been found to be a good substitute for fodder corn; but there's a time to cut it. Let the department of the silos. What about sweet clover, hitherto a nuisance on many farms. In other places of America it has been found to be a good substitute for fodder corn; but there's a time to cut it. Let the department of the silos.

30,000 RAILWAY EMPLOYES WILL STRIKE ON TUESDAY

WORK A WAR CRISIS ALMOST AT Canadian Railway War Board **OUR DOORS**

We are, as far as Canada at least is concerned, in the crisis of the war. We are sending a draft of one hundred thousand men to recruit ou army at the front; we are entering on the work of harvest when we must make a supreme effort to raise and store away every possible pound of food for man and beast; and at a time, further, when labor conditions are such that our workers are demanding the largest and most far-reaching advance in wages ever known in the history of our country. We have many other things on our hands, but these are the main ones, and they are all war proble

The first is the most important. We've got to send the men and we are doing it. But the question has been raised in the courts of three of the provinces as to the legality of the Conscription Act and the orders in council passed in reference to it. And the provincial courts have issued writs of habeas corpus for the release of men said to be unlawfully held as soldiers in the draft. The federal supreme court is to decide on these issues this week. The government say they will go ahead and send the men irrespective of any courts. The action of the government in this direction is practically putting the courts. Operators from the C. P. R. Telegraph Company, representing 700 employes, at a large meeting held on Sunday afternoon at Foresters' Hall, College street, decided to go out on strike in sympathy with the G. N. Woperators if necessity arose. They decided, however, to watch the progress of the G. N. W. operators before deciding upon definite action in this respect. The representatives of the G. N. W. operators in Toronto also held a meeting, C. E. Hill, general organ-moment.

G. N. W. operators in Toronto also held a meeting. C. E. Hill. general organizer for the Commercial Telegraphers' Union in Canada, stated after the inesting that the operators had decided to go out on Tuesday.

It is understood that 200 linement of the G.N.W. may also go out in sympathy with the operators. Their representatives held a strong meeting in Sunday afternoon in Foresters' Halls and decided to form in line behind the operators of the company if necessary.

Only Minor Troubles.

The C. P. R. operators are having their own troubles with the company, lut all state that their grievances with this company as of a minor nature and will be thoroly considered by the becard of arbitration which is meeting in the first own troubles which is smelting.

In the dispatch of a letter to the representatives held a strong meeting of the Canadian Railway War floring their own troubles with the company in the harvest. The Registration Act and the returns under it provide the machinery. But it must be enforced as a war measure.

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done to live up to the terms of their leases, but if they wish to remain it must be on the understanding that the provision to furnish heat will depend entirely on his ability to get coal. "And when I have explained things to them I think they will appreciate them I think they will appreciate them I think they will appreciate the minister of the them I think they will appreciate the minister of the commercial Telegraphers' Union, was Commercial Telegraphers' Union, was situation; and every one sees now that a blunder was made when the govexpected in Toronto on Saturday, but the comment neglected to take over all the roads, right after the war started, as had not arrived by Sunday evening. The United States Government has efficiency, more economy, more conservation, most of all, unity of control efficiency, more economy, more conservation, most of all, unity of control the other ninety per cent. being and direction, backed by the full resources of the nation. We are floundermore or less. But we must flounder thru as best we can.

On top of this situation is the fact that the leading members of the According to the board the granting

The United States Government has now taken charge of all telegraph services in that country, and all the 1100 employes of the Western Union who had been dismissed by that company have been reinstated This has relieved Mr. Konenkamp of further relieved Mr. Konenkamp of further responsibility in this connection, and it to understood that he may arrive in the state of adjournment, ready for immediate summons. For the administration, including the prime minister, are in England. We think they should be here. We think parliament should be in session, or in a state of adjournment, ready for immediate summons. For this state of would involve 'either early bankrupt. affairs, the Borden government must take the responsibility.

But even under these conditions we must go on with sending the men to the front as best and as quick as we can; we must reap the crops; and we must solve the labor problems. Nothing must be let fall down and the people must be moved by patriotic and public welfare sentiments above any others.

ernment Management of

Washington, July 14.-The

house resolution empowering the president to take over tele-

graph, telephone, radio and cable systems for the war

period was adopted by the sen-ate last night by a vote of 46

Telegraphs.

BRITISH AIR POWER SENATE ADOPTS CABLE CONTROL STEADILY INCREASES U. S. Upper House Passes Gov-

Germans Lose Over Thirty-Eight Hundred on West Front in Past Year.

London, July 14.-In one year on the British western front the Royal Air Force has accounted for 3,233 enemy airplanes. In the same period the naval airmen shot down 623, a total of 3.856.

An official statement dealing with these operations says:

"The Royal Air Force during the year beginning July 1, 1917, on the British western front destroyed 2,150 hostile machines and drove down out "By a successful local operation carried out during the early part of the morning, English troops advanced our line east of Dickebusch Lake and capof control 1,083. In the same period

"During this period 1,094 of our machines were missing: 92 of these were working with the navy.
"On the Italian front from April to June, 1918, the British destroyed 165 hostile machines and drove down six out of control. Thirteen of ours were

"On the Salonica front between January and June 21 hostile machines were destroyed and 13 were driven down out of control. Four of ours

were lost.
"From March to June in Egypt and Palestine 26 hostile airplanes were destroyed and 15 were driven down out sistance from a force of 1500 Casof control. Ten of ours were missing.
"In all the theatres of the war the Japanese volunteers. British air superiority and strength progressed rapidly and continuously. From this it is safe to assume that when the new factor of America's output, both aircraft and personnel, enters the situation in the fighting zones, the aerial ascendency of the entente allies should give them very great advantages."

ONLY ARTILLERY ACTIVITY.

Paris, July 14.—The war office arrouncement tonight says; "There was
intermittent artillery activity, estions for an alliance with the Czechoin working hours which mey come
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in working hours with the percentage. pecially in the region of Corey, but no tions for an alliance with the Czechoinfantry action."

Sleva's.

Ottawa, July 14.—A special meeting of the cabinet has been called for tomorrow morning to discuss the situation in regard to the threatened railway strike. In official circles here, the position is regarded as critical but hope is still expressed that a settlement may be reached. The government, it is announced, will take every step possible to avert a tie-up on the railway system. Concurrently with the railway situation the threatened strike of G. N. W. operators will again be under consideration.

Replies to Ultimatum, Re-

fusing to Raise Offer Based

TO DISCUSS STRIKES

Position is Regarded as Critical,

But Hope is Expressed

for Settlement.

on McAdoo Award.

CABINET CALLED

per cent. of their international union, the other ninety per cent. being would involve 'either early bankrupt-cy for every road in Canada, includindustry would be absolutely barred from any share in export business and domestic costs of living and manu-facture would reach ruinous heights." The board's letter to the men is as

The War Board's Reply. Chas. Dickie, Esq., Secretary-Treasurer, Division No. 4, Railway Employes' Department, Montreal, Que.
Dear air: I am directed by the
Canadian Railway War Board to acknowledge receipt of your letter of
the 12th inst., reading: "On behalf
of the executive committee of division No. 4, I have been instructed to inform the administrative committee of the war board, thru you, to the effect that, our membership having decided by an overwhelming majority that they will not tolerate any further delay, unless the war board radically changes their board radically changes their attitude not later than Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, we have no alternative but to consent to a gen-

It is a matter of regret to the Can-adian Railway War Board that, in view of the offer made to you, dras-tic action should be contemplated by tic action should be contemplated by your organization, having in mind the serious results such a step might have upon the movement of troops, foodstuffs and war munitions at this

BY CZECHO-SLOVAKS time.

That there may be no misunder-standing, I am directed to remind you that at the meeting on the 5th inst., an offer was made to you, as fol-Russian Soviet Troops Lose Two

Towns — Retreat Under
Strong Pressure.

Peking, July 14.—Czecho-Slovak forces which captured Nikolsk, northforces which captured Nikolsk, northwest of Viadivostok, are now closely pursuing the Bolshevik troops which are retreating toward Khabarovsk. The Czecho-Slovaks are receiving assistance from a force of 1500 Cassacks, and a number of Chinese and captured for by the 'Mc-Adoo award' and the amendments thereto in corresponding territory, effective the dates the various existing to the conditions provided for by the 'Mc-Adoo award' and the amendments thereto in corresponding territory, effective the dates the various existing the conditions are received by the Canadian Railway War Board, will pay all crafts in the mechanical and car deconditions provided for by the Canadian Railway War Board, will pay all crafts in the mechanical and car deconditions provided for by the Canadian Railway War Board, will pay all crafts in the mechanical and car deconditions provided for by the Canadian Railway War Board, will pay all crafts in the mechanical and car deconditions provided for by the Canadian Railway War Board, will pay all crafts in the mechanical and car deconditions provided for by the 'Mc-Adoo award' and the amendments the railways of Canadian Railway War Board, will pay all crafts in the mechanical and car deconditions provided for by the 'Mc-Adoo award' and the amendments the railways of Canadian Railway War Board, will pay all crafts in the mechanical and car deconditions provided for by the 'Mc-Adoo award' and the amendments the railways of Canadian Railway War Board, will pay all crafts in the mechanical and car deconditions provided for by the 'Mc-Adoo award' and the amendments the railways of Canadian Railway War Board, will be conditional and car deconditions provided for by the Canadian Railway War Board, will be conditional and car deconditions provided for by the Canadian Railway War Board, will be conditional and car deconditions provided for by the canadian Railway War Board, will be conditional and car deconditions provided for by the canadian Railway War Board, will be conditional and car decondition schedules expire, but in no instance will the new rates and conditions be

Railway and telegraph communications have been opened with Vladivostok.

Harbin, Manchuria, July 14—
Czecho-Slovak forces have defeated the Russian Bolsheviki near Chita, a town on the Transiberian railway, in the centre of Trans-Baikulu.

M. Horvath and other members of the Siberstea Carrell of

bout there as a result of the negotia-