

FRENCH CABINET RESIGNS VON HINDENBURG IS SUMMONED TO BERLIN

Premier Briand and Other Ministers Leave Offices in Interest of National Defence.

Paris, March 18, (12.45 a. m.)—The French cabinet, headed by Premier Briand, has resigned.

An official note given out after the cabinet meeting says:

"The council of ministers met today (Saturday) at Elysee Palace. The premier reported on various consultations he had had with a view to completing the cabinet so it could present itself to the chamber of deputies. After hearing him the cabinet decided that circumstances compelled it to leave to the president of the republic complete liberty to interpret the situation in the best interests of national defence. Consequently the president of the council put into the hands of the president of the republic the resignation of the cabinet."

SOLDIER OF 165TH KILLED BY TRAIN

Bathurst, March 18.—Private Antoine Knowlan of the 165th Battalion was run over by the Carquois train at Carquois, yesterday and injured so severely that he died shortly afterwards. The unfortunate young soldier was a passenger on the train together with about fifty other members of the 165th who were returning to St. John after being snowed up at their homes for the past two weeks. As he went out on the platform of the second last car to wave farewell to some of his friends, he lost his footing in some manner and was thrown off the train alighting in a place where a snow bank was situated and slipping under the cars. He retained consciousness until he died about two hours after the accident.

The shocking occurrence has cast a gloom over his comrades on their way to fight the battles of the Empire with whom he was very popular and the loss of one of the finest young men of the regiment is keenly felt by the officers of the battalion who have every high opinion of him.

FAREWELL MANIFESTO OF NICHOLAS

Petrograd, Mar. 17, via London.—The following is the text of the Imperial manifesto in which the Russian Emperor announced his abdication and that of his son:

"We, Nicholas II, by the grace of God, Emperor of all the Russias, Emperor of Poland and Grand Duke of Finland, etc., make known to all our faithful subjects: In the day of the great struggle against a foreign foe, who has been striving for three years to enslave our country, God has wished to send to Russia a new and painful trial. Interior troubles threaten to have a fatal effect on the final outcome of the war. The destinies of Russia and the honor of our heroic army, the happiness of the people and all the future of our dear fatherland require that the war be prosecuted at all cost to a victorious end. The cruel enemy is making his last effort, and the moment is near when our valiant army, in concert with those of our glorious allies, will definitely chastise the foe.

"In these decisive days in the life of Russia we believe our people should have the closest union and organization of all their forces for the realization of speedy victory. For this reason, in accord with the Duma of the Empire, we have considered it desirable to abdicate the throne of Russia and lay aside our supreme power. Not wishing to be separated from our loved son, we leave our heritage to our brother, the Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, blessing his advent to the throne of Russia. We hand over the government to our brother in full union with the representatives of the nation who are seated in the legislative chambers, taking this step with an inviolable oath in the name of our well-beloved country. We call on all faithful sons of the fatherland to fulfil their sacred patriotic duty in this painful moment of national trial and to aid our brother and the representatives of the nation in bringing Russia into the path of prosperity and glory. May God aid Russia."

Germans Admit Their Smashing Defeat in North France—"Systematic Retirement" is Explanation of Berlin.

Berlin, Mar. 15, via Sayville, Mar. 18.—Field Marshal Von Hindenburg has gone to Great Headquarters to make a report on the situation to Emperor William.

Germans Fall Back.

Berlin, Mar. 18, via Sayville.—Systematic retirement of the German troops between Arras and the Oise, on the French front, is announced by the war office today. Peronne, Noyon, Bapaume, Roye and several other towns have been abandoned by the Germans. Twenty-two Allied airplanes were shot down yesterday by the Germans.

On the Macedonian front violent fighting is in progress. Attacks by Allied troops north of Monastir, the statement says, gave them no important successes. The statement follows:

Lively Fighting.

"Between La Bassée Canal and the Scarpe river there was lively fighting. Near Loos German reconnoitering detachments brought eighteen prisoners from the British lines. On both sides of Arras hostile reconnoitering detachments in strength of one battalion advanced against our positions, and were for the most part repulsed by our fire. Near Rocquincourt and Lille enemy forces which had entered our positions were defeated in a hand-to-hand fight and left a number of prisoners in our hands.

"Between Arras and the Oise, the British and French, in a strip of land abandoned by us, occupied our former positions and several towns, among which are Bapaume, Peronne, Roye and Noyon. Our protecting troops inflicted considerable losses on the enemy and then gave way, as had been ordered.

"On the right bank of the Meuse two French companies made an attack at dawn on a trench sector captured by us on March 16, north of Chambrettes Farm. The attack failed. On Combrès Height and near Malsey, north of St. Mihiel, storming detachments entered the French positions and returned, each with twenty prisoners.

"Strong attacks made by the French between Oehrida and Freshes Lakes were repulsed. A violent struggle for the mountainous district north of Monastir brought no important success for the enemy. The dominating heights, which were attacked also during the night, are firmly in our hands."

APPOHAQUI

Apohaqui, March 18.—The fourth annual meeting of the W. A. in connection with the Anglican Church, took place in the Medley Memorial Hall on Thursday afternoon, March 15th. The rector, Rev. Mansel Shewen was present and presided at the meeting. A good representation of the members were in attendance and which added much to the very interesting session. Reports from the different office holders, gave evidence of a very successful year. The officers for the ensuing year were appointed as follows:

President, Mrs. Joseph L. Wallace. First Vice Pres., Mrs. John Armstrong. Second Vice Pres., Mrs. Henry Parlee. Corresponding secretary, Mrs. Geo. H. Secord. Rec. secretary, Mrs. Wm. Parlee. Treasurer, Miss Katherine Manchester. Dorcas sec., Miss Florence Ellison. Buying comm., Mrs. Thomas Lison. Mrs. Andrew Bell, and Mrs. Herbert S. Jones.

Delegates were appointed to attend the annual meeting which takes place in St. John on April 24th, 25th, and 26th.

They are appointed were Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. J. H. Manchester, with Mrs. George H. Secord and Miss Katherine Manchester as substitutes. The appointed members of the executive were Mrs. John Manchester and Mrs. Andrew Bell.

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Mrs. Simmonds' many friends are sorry to learn that she has had to return to the Chatham hospital on account of ill health.

Mrs. F. P. Loggie entertained the Swastika Club on Thursday evening. Alexander Harriman is spending some time with Boston friends.

Mrs. Fred Williston of Bay Du Vin is a guest of her sister, Mrs. George Loggie.

Miss Laura Cox is visiting friends in Moncton this week.

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