YPRES DEFENCE **SECOND VERDUN** FOR THE ENEMY

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Bloody Repulse of Monday Held a Hopeful Augury For Future.

Noted American Motorist and Author Figure in Aerial Combat.

London, May 1.—The failure of the German attacks southwest of Ypres on Monday with its immense losses to the enemy is commented on here in a more hopeful and more confident tone, which is in marked contrast with some recent comments on news of the progress of the German advance towards the channel ports. The consensus of opinion is that the enemy on Monday suffered the most severe and costly repulse since he began his offensive on March 21, and it is contended that if the terms of victory and defeat are applicable to single phases of such a prolonged battle, then the Allies on Monday won a substantial victory.

Comparison is made between the present operations and the French defence of Verdun and the opinion is expressed that the Germans' experience on the Verdun front is being repeated in their effort to capture the group of hills southwest of Ypres. The enemy failure up to this time to achieve his object and especially his bloody repulse of Monday, are regarded universally as a hopeful augury for the future.

Nevertheless, the commentators warn against optimism. They remark that atthough the enemy has been foiled, it does not mean necessarily that the enterprise has been abandoned, but rather that it has been suspended for an atteck at some other and weaker point. A New Verdun.

YANKEES WIN IN AIR. With the American Army in France, Tuesday, April 30.—A German airplane was brought down in enemy teritory last night by Capt. Norman Hall of Colfax, Iowa, and Lieut. Edward V. Rickenbacher of Columbus, Ohio, after a duel over the American line on the Toul sector.

sector.

Rickenbacher, well known as an automobile racer in the United States, swept over the Boche and opened fire with his machine gun, while Hall darted behind the enemy machine and also opened fire. The German made desperate attempts to escape, and returned the fire of the Board by June 1. A notice issued to-day provides that on and after that date no person shall deal wholesale in flour, bran, shorts, or other feeds made from the German trenches. Capt. Hall and Li. ut. Rickenbacher returned from the fire of the canada Food Board by June 1. A notice issued to-day provides that on and after that date no person shall deal wholesale in flour, bran, shorts, or other feeds made from the food board either fire of the escape, and returned the escape the esc In ut. Rickenbached returned to fight unscathed.

This was the third enemy machine to be bagged by the Americans in three weeks, while several others have been reported brought down unofficially.

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"Wholesalers" Defined. reported brought down unofficially.
Capt. Hall served as a private in the
British army at the outbreak of the
war, and later joined the French aerial
forces. He is the author of "Kitchener's
Moh."

AMERICAN SECTOR STABILIZED. With an American Army on a French Battlefront, Tuesday, April 30.—The situation along the American sector gradually is becoming stabilized. There have been no infantry encounters in the last 48 hours, although small patrol parties or outposts have met in the darkness and mist.

Despite rain and poor visibility, the American and French artillery have been most active in shelling enemy back areas. The German artillery is less active than on the days immediately following the Americans' appearance on this sector. The Germans are throwing this sector. The some gas shells. The Germans are throwing

PERILOUS WEEKS AHEAD. French Headquarters, April 30-(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency).-The British tanks on Monday assisted the French infantry in clearing up the German machine-gun nests at Hangard Wood. The enemy, who has hitherto put 140 divisions, or nearly 2,000,000 men, into the fighting, has besides in France fresh divisions, which can still be brought into the fight, and also reserves Prinzip, Whose Act Brought in depots in France and Germany. It, therefore must be assumed that they

can reconstitute their exhausted divi-Many Months of Struggle. But what they cannot do is refill the depleted units with officers and men of the same quality or degree of train-Months of intensive battle must be reckoned with before the enemy can be reduced to a pitch of exhaustion. We have several perilous weeks before us, but have every reason to await the The battle, as it progresses, presents nalogies with that of Verdun, which is enalogies with that of Verdun, which is one of the best auguries of the future. Germany's present objectives in Flanders and Picardy, if attained, would probably serve as a departure line for a final great effort. As their striking power was exhausted on the Meuse in 1916, so will it be in 1918 on the Somme, Arra and Lys.

TEUTON EMPERORS ARE TO HOLD CONFERENCE

London, May 1 .- Emperor Charles of stria-Hungary, accompanied by ron Burian, the foreign minister, and Baron Burlan, the foreign minister, and their staffs, according to an Exchange trollegraph dispatch from Zurich, will proceed almost immediately to German headquarters to confer with the German headquarters to con ers to confer with the German Ukrainian and Balkan affairs,

PAPAL PEACE OFFER ON "WHIT - SUNDAY"

The Hague, May 1—(British Admiralty per Wireless Press).—Pope Benedict intends to issue a new peace offer on Whit Sunday (May 19). Cologne newspapers announce. The document, it is said, will be of a more pressing nature than formerly, and will contain concrete offers of mediation by the pope, with the possible co-operation of neutral sovereigns. ereigns.

Similar notice of the pope's intention, it is said, has reached Berlin, where it has been received sympathetically.

WHOLE FRONT IS STABLE; IMMEDIATE DANGER IS PAST

Paris, May 1.—Premier Clemenceau, just returned from the front, entered the lobby of the Chamber of Deputies for a few minutes yesterday, and to a crowd of deputies explained the situation, and it is understood he declared he was satisfied fully with the trend of events.
What the premier told the deputies was of a confidential nature, but it be said he declared the front as a whole has now become stable,

A THRILLING AIR BATTLE HAPSBURGS ANGLING FOR PEACE OR TRYING TO SPLIT THE ALLIES

ALLIED POWERS CONFER AT PARIS

Entente Premiers and War Council At Versailles For Important Talk.

Versailles, May 1 .- An important conference of the allied nations opens here today and will be carried over tomor-

first obtained from the food board either

"Wholesalers" Defined.

For purposes of the order, "wholesalers" are defined as those buying in
wholesale quantities, warehousing their
purchases, and disposing of not more
than 90 per cent of the total value
thereof to retailers. "Brokers" are defined as those who do not warehouse or
handle goods, but act as intermediaries
the saller and the huyer, selling between the seller and the buyer, selling on a brokerage or commission basis

between the seller and the buyer, selling on a brokerage or commission basis only.

The fee for a wholesalers license will be \$20 when the value sold does not exceed \$100,000 per annum, with an additional \$10 for every additional \$50,000 per annum sold, or fraction thereof. The fee for a flour and feed broker's license will be \$25.

To Stop Profiteering.

These licenses will not be required by persons engaged exclusively in the operation of a flour mill and operating under a miller's license.

PROGRESS OF SYSTEM

Reviews Financial Growth of C.P.R. Since Formation.

Montreal, May 1.—Addressing the shareholders of the C. P. R. today, Lord Shaughnessy, chairman of the board of

ller's license. Certain regulations designed to precertain regulations designed to pre-vent profiteering and to keep the selling prices of these products to a reasonable amount are included in the order.

Slayer of Ferdinand White Plague Victim

On World War, Dies in Austrian Fortress.

London, May 1 .- Gavrio Prinzip, the assassin of Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir-apparent to the Austronand, heir-apparent to the Austro-Hungarian throne, and his wife, at Sarajevo, Bosnia, died yesterday in a fortress near Prague, of tuberculosis, prised 13,000 miles, with net earnings of tolergraphs the correspondent at The \$50,000,000, and an increase of only \$3. telegraphs the correspondent at The Hague of the Exchange Telegraph Company.

TWELVE MILLIONS HAVE BOUGHT LIBERTY BONDS

Washington, May 1.—All records for umber of subscribers of Liberty loans are broken today, when treasury bulletins showed that approximately 12,-000,000 persons have bought bonds for the third issue. Total subscriptions were sent above \$2,500,000,000 by early re-With four days remaining, the num-

active canvass of the field rew days, and the "buy another bond" movement, the treasury hopes to raise the subscription roll to the 20,000,000 sought by Secretary McAdoo, and total subscriptions to a billion or two beyond the \$3,000,000,-

GERMANY HARD UP FOR

London, April 15—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—So acute is the scarcity of clothing in Germany that men and women are being attacked the streets of Berlin an ped of their garments, according to German newspapers received here. It is said that one insurance office alone in Berlin is notified of an average of 1st300 thefts daily. Thread for mending clothing is said to be virtually unobtainable.

Commenting on the food situation in Germany, the papers intimate that the hope entertained of speedy relief from the Ukraine has been dispelled.

The Leonard Foundation, the formation of securities to the toundation and for securities to the toundation is to assist the value of one hundred thousand dollars. The object of the foundation is to assist the value of one hundred thousand dollars. The object of the foundation is to assist the education of the sons of clergy-men, non-commissioned officers or men of the permanent British or Canadian capital of April 22 without resistance or untoward incident.

Detachments of Gen. Kaledines' Cosmany or navy or of veterans who have taken part in any of the British Empire's Wars.

The Laurentian Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire. Ottawa, has given seven thousand dollars to establish a scholarship to be devoted to the ish a scholarship to be

and that steps taken by the high command justify the opinion that points at which the enemy has directed his attacks are out of immediate danger.

Sixtus Calls on Alfonso, and Zita Goes to Belgium-The

London, May 1.—Prince Sixtus of Bourbon-Parma, to whom the famous letter written by Emperor Charles, offering peace to France, was addressed, the Times says, visited King Alfonso of Spain on Monday according to the Madrid Sol.

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He was accompanied by his brother, Prince Xavier, and the Spanish newspaper understands that he gave to King Alfonso explanations on the subject of his correspondence with his Hapsburg relatives. (His sister Zita is empress of Austria-Hungary).

The princess, it is added, and the fact may be of significance, declares the Times, left the Spanish capital for the Belgian front.

Simultaneously a report reached Stockholm that Emperor Charles was making a fresh peace attempt and that he was appealing to Italy to consider it in her own interests. All that can be said about these rumors, the Times adds, is that they are not inherently

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The dual monarchy and its ruler are unquestionably in a highly critical position, the newspaper continues, and it may well be that the youthful emperor is trying to tempt Italy, possibly also Belgium, as he tried to tempt France.
The result of any such efforts would, of course, it is added, be the same. They would interest the Allies only as fresh indications that the emperor is conscious of the dangers which menace him, and is seeking for a way to escape. The Times continues:

"Have the Hapsburgs the wisdom and courage to face the facts?"

What Will Charles Do?

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shareholders of the C. P. R. today, Lord Shaughnessy, chairman of the board of directors, reviewed the company's finan-cial position since its formation. His lordship pointed out that the company's desire in the early days to finance with capital stock instead of bonds, was demcapital stock instead of bonds, was demonstrated to be an impossibility, and as a consequence Parliament authorized the issue of \$35,000,000 five per cent bonds and \$65,000,000 common stock. Unfriendly influences at home and abroad so prejudiced the international money markets that the original \$65,000,000 stock only yielded an average of less than 46 per cent of its face value. As late as 1895 when the railway had been in operation for over nine years, the stock was offered in the market as low in operation for over nine years, the stock was offered in the market as low

stock was offered in the market as low as 33 per cent with but few takers.

How Road Has Grown.

For comparative purposes it is recorded by his lordship that in 1899 the company had 7,000 miles of railway; its gross earnings were \$29,200,000 and net earnings \$12,200,000; the funded debt

stock, and seven per cent dividend on the common stock of the C. P. R. TWO MORE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MILITARY COLLEGE Ottawa, May 1.—A delegation representing the United Farmers of Ontario will interview the Government on the will inst. While no memorandum has been submitted, it is understood that the main question under discussion will be that of the release from military service of additional men for farm labor.

Kingston, May 1.—Two more scholar-ships have been founded at the Royal Military College. Lieut.-Col. R. W. Leonard of St. Catharines has founded "the Leonard Foundation," the formation fund, consisting of securities to the

LONDON AVIATOR AND FELLOW-PRISONERS IN GERMAN PRISON CAMP



From Left to Right—H. O. McDonald, Ottawa; B. B. Perry, London; J. W. Gillespie, Toronto.

WAS FLYING 20 MILES BEHIND GERMAN LINES; 'PLANE SHOT DOWN

Flight Lieut. Perry, Now Pris oner of War, Writes of Aerial Battle Last October Which Started at 17,000 Feet Above Ground-Takes Philosophical View of Imprison-

Writing from the German prison camp at Gelangenaniager, Schweidnitz, Mr. Perry considered himself and his observer, Lieut. C. H. Bartlett most fortunate in getting down alive. They were even fired upon when on the ground in order to prevent them from destroy-ing the details of the aerial mishap relates the details of the aerial mishap which caused him to be made captive by the Germans on October 18. The difficulties of either choice are so great that his hesitation is intelligible, but if the hesitation is prolonged, all liberty of choice will disappear. The late emperor was not inscending. The late emperor was not inscending. which caused him to be made captive by the hesitation is prolonged, all liberty of choice will disappear. The late emperor was not insensible to the advantages of reconciliation with his Slav people. Germany, however, circumvented the attempt, as she would doubtless exert all her strength to prevent his successor from undertaking it.

SHAUGHNESSY TELLS

STORY OF WONDERFUL

PROGRESS OF SYSTEM

which caused him to be made captive by the Germans on October 18.

Lieut. Perry is well and apparently languages. He says that he has received only one letter since last August, but he has learned that news of his capture had reached his relatives, and this mas very gratifying. Turning to his final adventure, while that news of his capture had reached his relatives, and this final adventure, while of the German lines. His was one of the German lines, his was one of the German formation and scattered. The escorting machines were first attacked by several German machines, and when the British planes started back a large number of German machines when he British planes started back a large number of German machines swooped upon them. In the March.

There are 250 prisoners in the camp, including officers of the navy, mercan-nicluding officers of the navy, was the five says the final relationship of the says that has r

started back a large number of German machines swooped upon them. In the fight which followed Lieut. Perry's gun jammed with three German machines them off, but could not.

The study of German and Spanish and a trip into the country once a week are the diversions of camp life.

Anxious For Letters.

The Lordon boy was flying at 17,000 bis old Lordon friends. His address in front has been busy signed.

them off, but could not.

Fight at 17,000 Feet.

The London boy was flying at 17,000 feet when the fight started, and was gradually forced down. While the Germans shot volleys at him, he made several attempts to strike for the British lines, but found that his engine was "dud," or without sufficient power to take him away from the attackers. The German aviators followed him down,

PROFITS TAX TENDS TO HURT INDUSTRY, SAYS C. M. A. CHIEF Many Members Announce In-

ARMS TAKEN FROM THE

Moscow, Tuesday, April 23.—Reports have been received here of the disarmament of anarchist quarters in Petrograd on the night of April 22 without resistance or untoward incident.

Detachments of Gen. Kaledines' Cossack forces entered Novo Tcherkask, capital of the Don Cossack region, on April 17. The Soviet forces took the

LONG DEBATE AHEAD OVER BUDGET REPORT

The Ten Per Cent Clause.

Lord Shaughnessy discussed to "ten per cent clause" which, he pointed out, de not limit the payment of dividends but merely place wishones.

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RUSSIAN ANARCHISTS

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Guarders today. The statement says:
Fighting activity on the southwestern front again has increased appreciably.
On the Piave, several enemy thrusts

GROCERS HAVE TO JUNE TO SECURE LICENSE

Ottawa, May 1.—The Canada Food Board announced today that it has ex-tended until June 1 the date on and af-ter which it will be illegal for any retail ter which it will be illegal for any retail grocer to carry on business, except under license from the food board.

It is the intention of the board to enforce strictly its licensing regulations. These place upon the retail grocer the responsibility for insuring that he has a license, and any retail grocer who does not secure such license before June 1 will be held strictly to account.

Couring, Induana and possession of the coal and iron mines in France and Russia and iron mines in France and

W.O.R. MEMBERS SENT TO OUEBEC

450 Return, After Month's **Garrison Duty at Ancient** Capital, After Riots.

SURPRISE HEADQUARTERS

Only "B" and "C" Category Men Expected Back in Local Camps, But All Came.

After a month's service on garrison duty in Quebec, about 450 members of the 1st Depot Battalion, W. O. Regiment, arrived back in London at o'clock this morning. The Western Ontario lads were sent

to Quebec as a precautionary measure, and were stationed at St. Johns, Que., during their stay in the east.

Considerable excitement was caused here when they were suddenly summoned from streets and theatres on Saturday evening, March 30, and they eft early Easter Sunday morning. It was at first thought at district headquarters here that the men who were in category A would not be rewere in category A would not be returned here, but would complete their training in the east and proceed overseas. Owing to the fact that many of the A men were on leave when the call was made a month ago, about 150 B and C men were taken to Quebec, and these alone were expected to come back. All have returned, however, and will carry on here until drafted for overseas service.

ice.
The party was in charge of Major G.
King, and detrained in the Grand
Trunk east end yards.

THE WAR SITUATION

licted by the British and French, the Germans in Flanders have given up for he moment their attempts to gain further hill positions west of Mont Kemmel. Meanwhile, it is presumed that Gen. von Arnim is reforming his bat-tered forces and bringing up new reserves to hurl against the granite allied

Only Local Fighting. German occupation of Mont Kemmel, though a strategic loss, has not enabled the enemy to encroach further into the British and French positions southwest of Ypres, nor has it apparently of the Lys, there has been only local where they belonged."

fighting. Spirited Gun Duels. Along the Flanders front and Picardy, strong artillery bombardments The Germans have been throwing great numbers of shells into the French positions around Hangard, south of the Somme, probably in prep aration for still another attempt to drive the French back to the Avre. A German attack in the Neyon sector brought the enemy into French positions from which, however, they were thrown out in spirited fighting. In the neighborhood of Locre the French troops last night improved their positions. American artillery on the Picardy front has been busy shelling enemy targets, but there has been no infantry activity. On the Toul sector, American aviators have brought down a German machine, the third in three weeks.

Marshall Takes 900 Turks. in Mesopotamia, Gen. Marshall ha advanced north-northwest of Bagdad. captured two towns and nearly 900 prisoners. The Turks avoided battle at Fifra, 100 miles northeast of Bagdad, and fied toward Kirfuk, about 160 miles north, and on the main road to Mosul, apparently the British objective. A retreating column was attacked and more than 500 prisoners taken. British cayalry then captured Tuzhurmantil, about thirty miles northwest of Kifra. The pursuit toward Kirfuk continues.

Von Hertling Scared. Declaring that plutocratic suffrage. the budget debate this cellor von Hertling has informed the anxious to close the budget debate this week, and in order to do so, the House of the Prussian Diet that of Commons is likely to have a number of late sittings, as some thirty Opposition of late sittings are some some lateral situation of lateral sittings are some some lateral situation of lateral situations are some some lateral situation of lateral situations are some some situation of lateral situations and lateral situations are some situations. guards, is not passed. A motion to post-pone action was defeated by five to one. This is May Day, generally a time for strikes in continental Europe. have been no inklings of possible strikes within the central empires except a cal by the German Socialists of Austria several days ago for a peace strike on

EXPLORER STEFANSSON REACHES FORT YUKON Fairbanks, Alaska, May 1.-Vilhjalmer

Fairbanks, Alaska, May I.—Villijalmer Stefansson, Arctic explorer, has reached Fort Yukon, Alaska, from Herschel Island, where he had been spending the winter, according to word received from Fort Yukon. A relief party left Fort Yukon April 16 to go to the aid of Stefansson, who was said to be externed. Stefansson, still weak from long ill-ness, returned with the party. He ex-pects to return to the United States in

WHAT HUN PEACE MEANS.

Washington, May 1.—Domination of the coast of Flanders, colonization of Courland, Lithuania and a large part of Poland and possession of the coal and iron mines in France and Russia would be the fruits of "the true German peace," as outlined in a political catechism which has been delivered to

WHAT HUN PEACE MEANS.

Kaiser's Troops Apparently T emporarily Exhausted by the Terrific Thrashing Receiv ed in Rush On Ypres, While Both British and French B etter Defences With Successful Minor Operations-French Report Heavy Artillery Engagements — Compara tive Quiet Now Prevails Along Flanders Front.

London, May 1 .- French troops last night improved their positions in the neighborhood of Locre on the Flanders front, the war office announces. The British rushed German posts in the Meteren sector and took prisoners.

NO MOVE BY VON ARNIM.

British Army in Flanders, May 1.—Gen von Arnim made no further move along the Flanders battlefront last night, nor had an attack been expected. The heavy defeat which the Germans suffered on Monday forced them to pause and bring up fresh troops before continuing their drive for the hill positions in the Kemmel The statement follows:

chine gun fire. Posts held by the enemy in the Meteren sector were rushed by our troops during the night and a few prisoners were secured by us. "By a successful minor enterprise carried out last night, French troops improved the positions held by them in the neigh-

"A local attack made by the enemy yesterday upon one of our posts in the neighborhood of St. Julien was repulsed by ma-

INTENSE GUN DUELS.

Paris, May 1 .- Artillery duels of some intensity occurred last night on the Somme front near Villers-Bretonneux and on both sides of the Avre, southeast of Amiens, says today's war office re-

The text of the statement reads:

borhood of Locre.

"Artillery actions of some violence took place in the region of Villers-Bretonneux and on both banks of the Avre. "In Lorraine French patrols brought in prisoners.

"The night was quiet on the remainder of the front

Emperor William appear to have been an interested and active visitor in the brought any nearer the evacuation of brought any nearer the evacuation of the flattened Ypres salient. After the lintense fighting of Monday, in which the Germans strove desperately to enlarge were trying to separate the French and British armies, adding characteristically were trying to separate the French and British armies, adding characteristically their gains on the high ground north that the Germans were going to "put the British back on the English Channel

KAISER BRAGGING AGAIN.

MISSED THE BIG PRIZE.

New York, April 30 .- Cable bulletine from London and Paris reaching New York tonight are one in declaring that Germany yesterday received her greates defeat of the war. Arthur S. Draper, cabling to the Tribune, says the kaiser failed just as

was about to grasp the big prize of Ypres.
"The kaiser's chance for success has gone for good," is the gist of officia opinion at the United States war department in Washington. BLEEDING THE FATHERLAND. British Headquarters in France, April 30.—Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency oday all was quiet on the Flanders battlefield.

The French counter-attack of last night was brilliantly successful not only recovering ground from the southern slope of Scherpenberg, but in advancing the line to a depth of 1,500 yards astride the Dragoutre road. Locre changed hands several times, but finally the Germans were held well on the eastern fringe. Desperate struggles occurred in the ruins of the village between small parties. One bayonet charge was made by one of our brigades just as the enem was wavering in the face of a furious fusillade.

The France-British took a large number of prisoners during the day, but they were fewer than the magnitude of the struggle would lead one to expect owing to the desperate hand-to-hand character of the fighting. The prisoners show considerable dejection at the failure of von Arnim's heavy thrust, and admit that the task ahead of the German army threatens bleed the fatherland of its manhood.

Allies Rebound and Retake Important Positions From Foe

LONDON, April 30.—Again there has come a pause in the battle in Flanders, where the ground everywhere is covered with the grey-clad bodies of the enemy dead, and the British and French are holding securely to all their positions. are holding securely to an extendion of the successful in repulsing an attack by from Saturday until well into Monday night Gen. von Arnim's forces contant of the successful in repulsing an attack by Bulgarians, which had as its object the recapture of positions near Vetretsk taken by the Serbians a week ago. Declaring that plutocratic suffrage, giving political rights to wealth, is no "lorger possible in our nation," Chancellor von Hertling has informed the Lower House of the Prussian Diet that it must pass the electoral reform bill or give up more rights to the people through force. The chancellor threatered the Prussians with revolutions if they did not meet the demand speedly. Apparently the chancellor feared graved disorders if the reform bill which, he admitted, was hedged around with safeguards, is not passed. A motion to post-

tween Kemmel and La Clytte.

It is apparent that much of the snap of the German attacking forces has been absent from the manoeuvres they have been carrying out in Flanders against the stiffened line of the Entente troops.

Rolled Back on Somme.

To the south near Amiens and to the least around Navon the enemy liberate.

east around Noyon, the enemy likewise TOMORROW-FAIR AND WARMER has failed in all his attempts to push farther forward. The British, east of Villers-Bretonneux, which lies directly east of Amiens, have advanced their front, and in the Noyon sector the French have re-established their lines, which the Germans previously had captured from them.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND WARMER.

Toronto, May 1—8 a.m. Forecasts.

Today—Moderate to fresh northwest to west winds, fair and cool. Thursday—Moderate to fresh south to southwest winds, fair and warmer.

tured from them.

The Germans previously had captured from them.

The German guns on various sectors of the line are still hurling tons of steel against the French and British positions, but the Allied guns are everywhere answering them in kind.

While the present halt in the battle possibly may indicate the new approach of the throwing into the fray the great reserve army which General Foch has gathered together, that such is the intention of the supreme commander of the Allied forces has not become apparent.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures for the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:
Stations. High. Low. Weather Victoria. 52 40 Fair Victoria. 52 40 Fair Victoria. 52 40 Fair Victoria. 52 40 Fair Victoria. 54 Cloudy Parry Sound. 46 30 Clear Port Stanley. 50 34 Cloudy Buffalo. 46 36 Cloudy Buffalo. 56 36 Cloudy Rain

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War Council to Meet.

It is not improbable, however, that at a meeting of the inter-Allied war council in Paris Wednesday, which will be attended by the American, French and British and Italian representatives, measures having in view the turning of the tide of the battle will be uppermost in the discussions.

In all the various war theatres except the western the situation remains relatively calm so far as fighting is concerned. All along the front in Italy reciprocal bombardments con-