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GERMANS SECURE FOOTING ON IMT. KEMMEL

STOP HOARDING OF SUGAR FOOD BOARD RULES

"THEIR BACKS TO THE WALL"

WAR MATERIAL FROM COLONIES

Embargo Placed On Supplies Used in Large Quantities by Army.

FOR THE FARMS

50.000 Men Will Be Needed For the Harvesting Next Autumn.

GLASS ATTACKS GOVT.

Ottawa, April 26 .- The Commons committee on agriculture met this morning to receive the report of the special subcommittee appointed on Friday last to make a report on the labor situation, and more particularly the employment of labor in non-essential industries.

tong, open spring there is no great need of men for seeding, but that there is a railway load, so far as Slr Adam Beck stated that they understood that Mr. great need of women help. For the har- is aware. vest season, from August 1 to November 15, probably 50,000 men would be re

Ontario Disputes This. Ontario members of the committee disputed the statement that there is no serious shortage of men for seeding purposes in Eastern Canada. Frank Class questioned the good undergont of serious shortage of men for the spurposes in Eastern Canada. Frank Glass questioned the good judgment of the Government in taking more experienced men from the farms. In England, he said, it had been found necessary to bring men from the trenches to increase production. "Let us take men from the stores or from non-essential industries," said Mr. Glass, "but for heaven's sake let us not take any more experienced men from the farms."

He described the taking of more agriculturists as "folly." Hon. A. L. Sifton, ho said, had stated in the House the other day that the Government was going to take drastic steps to organize for production. "This," he said, "should have been done last January. This com-

production. "This," he said, "should have been done last January. This committee should impress upon the Government the have been done last January. This order mittee should impress upon the Govern-rage and help to solve the problem. This standing around is not worth a tinker's damn. What we want is action and not

Another Critic. Another Critic.

Chairman Henders suggested that the committee should offer some constructive policy, rather than criticism.

John Best of Dufferin supported the views expressed by Mr. Glass. He believed that more information could be collected as to labor conditions through the provincial authorities in two weeks than the registration board will secure that wonths.

in six months.

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should be taken immediately, and that
steps should then be taken to equalize
farm labor in all the provinces.

Too Much Seifishness.

Dr. Edwards said there was no use
finding fault with the military service
act, which had been accepted by Parliament. Many people looked at the
matter from a selfish standpoint. The
country, he said, was suffering from
unpatriotic selfishness on the part of
amployers of labor, who do not care unpatriotic selfishness on the part of employers of labor, who do not care what happens so long as they are al-lowed to make their profits.

Mr. Nicholson of East Algoma said that despite what the labor men said, nere is in Canada a shortage of labor. there is in Canada a shortage of labor. The coming registration, he thought, would be unavailing unless there is a central clearing station which will be able to find out where labor is required and then divert it to such chancels. He was prepared to close up his own business if it were not regarded as besential and favored importation of

essential, and favored importation of Mr. Boyce of Carleton said there is a fty per cent shortage of farm labor in astern Ontario. Unless something is

was instructed to elaborate its report more particularly in regard to non-essential industries and to prepare a list of industries in which women may be employed to replace men of miliport Stanley

be employed to replace men of military age.

Other statements made in the report as submitted today were that the amendments to the military service act would seriously affect the railways, which would require from five to ten thousand men to replace brakemen and firemen between the ages of 20 and 23 years who will be called out. From 3,000 to 6,000 mn would be required for maintenance of way service. The opinion was expressed that for all essential industries, including agriculture and mining, from 50,000 to 75,000 men will be required.

DUTCH STOP BISHOP FALLON'S FRIENDS

TO AMERICANS Irish Situation and Not Church Differences Claimed To Be Reason for Trip—Visit to Rome Called Incidental, Reason for Trip-Visit to Rome Called Incidental, in Answer to Stor y From Ottawa.

Washington, April 26.—Holland has placed an embargo on the exportation from the Dutch Indies of tin, tin ore, cinchona bark, quinine, quinine salts and kapok, all of which are needed in large quantities by the United States for war purposes.

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Washington, and if he makes a visit to Rome, while one will to Rome, which in all probability he will do, it will be in self-tined to chief object of his mission."

C'Connor's Viewpoint. The statement given out yesterday by Mr. O'Connor when he arrived in Washington to lay before the United States Government the attitude of the Irish to the British conscription plan was one which looked to a settlement of the whole Irish question. Bishop Fallon believes, it is stated, in conscription, but would have the eaforced service applied by an Irish parliament, after home rule had been granted.

Has Government Confidence.

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In reference to the dispatch appearing from Ottawa yesterday, in which it was stated that it was believed at the capital that Bishop Fallon had been called to Rome in connection with the dispute with the French population, The Advertiser is informed that the visit is made entirely because of the situation in Ireland.

Bishop Fallon was called to Ireland by the British Government because of his views on conscription and home rule. He is strongly, of the opinion that in C'Connor's Viewpoint.

DENIES KNOWLEDGE OF DRAYTON ORDER TO LONDON ELECTRIC

Beck Declares Chairman and Manager of Utilities Commission Laboring Under Wro ng Impression If They Said He Knew Anything of Report ed Compulsory Operation of the Local Plant.

Sir Henry Drayton, Dominion power controller, has not issued an order that The report stated that owing to the the London Electric shall operate its Electric has heard nothing from his

Information to the effect that such an asked if such was the case, Mr. Barnes order had been made came to the city emphatically defied it. order had been made came to the city chairman Pocock and Mr. Buchanan from Engineer Gaby of the hydro comare out of the city today. They are said mission. He was "understood" to have to be in Toronto. said that he "understood" such from Sir Sir Adam stated to The Advertise

that he knew of no such order. The question had not been settled yet by Sir Henry, in so far as he knew. If Chairman Pocock and General Manager E. V. Buchanan of the utilities commission understood that Sir Henry had informed him that such was the case, they were laboring under a wrong impression, declared the chairman of the provincial

No Word From Toronto. Manager C. T. Barnes of the London Barnes had received some orders.

to be in Toronto.

Sir Adam Beck stated that hydro will not benefit by the order of the power controller that the Toronto Electric Company turn over 13,000-horsepower at the Falls to hydro. This power will go to the Amatol Company, which is manufacturing an explosive at Niagara.

Controller's Deputy Here.

Yesterday a representative of Sir

Yesterday a representative of Sir Henry Drayton was in the city. It is understood that he visited the plant of the London Electric Company and left last night for the east.

CHESLEY PLANT ON WAR ORDERS RAZED BY FIRE

Some Suspicion That Blaze Was Caused by Alien Enemies.

Chesley, April 26 .- Fire was started from the explosion of a pot of resin, wiping out the entire munition plant of the Canada Beds, Limited, at 6:30 o'clock this morning, burning the machine shop and powerhouses, together with thousands of shells in various stages of manufacture. There is a suspicion in the town that allen enemies were responsible for the fire, and an investigation has already commenced.

Mr. Boyce of Carleon and Cool.

Ifty per cent shortage of farm labor in Eastern Ontario. Unless something is done it would be difficult for the farmers to take off their crops.

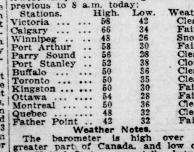
It was finally decided to receive the report of the sub-committee, which was instructed to elaborate its report Victoria.

Stations. High. Low. Weather Victoria.

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Stations. High. Low. Clear Calgary.

Galgary.



MIGHTY PARADE OF **SOLDIERS' RELATIVES** THRILLS NEW YORK

30,000 in Liberty Day March Up Fifth Avenue.

Washington, April 26 .- Subscriptions to the third Liberty Loan, will bring the total well above \$2,000,000,000, or two-thirds of the minimum, was the goal of the Liberty Day drive under way today throughout the United States. The day was a holiday by presi-dential proclamation, and virtually everywhere efforts were being made to speed up the sale of bonds by demonstrations.

New York, April 26.—With routine business virtually suspended in observance of Liberty Day, New York speeded up its lagging Liberty Loan campaign today with a series of particitic celebrations, culminating with a spectacular "win the war" parade up Fifth avenue, in which mothers, wives, esters and daughters of American solutions. LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 63; lowest, 22.
In e official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 46; lowest, 35.
The reviewing officers included the Earl of Reading, the British ambassador, representatives of the French and Italian Governments, and the governors of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

The various stock exchanges and their energing the logs.

The various stock exchanges and banks were closed during the afternoon, and financiers devoted their energies to boosting subscriptions to the loan.



ONE LONG RANGE GUN DEMOLISHED

Paris, April 26 .- One of three ferman long-range guns which have been bombarding Paris has have been bombarding Faris has been destroyed, according to Deputy Charles Lebourcq of the Department of the Seine. The deputy said he had talked with the general commanding the sector near Crepy-en-Laonnois, where the big cups are stationed. sector near Crepy-en-Laonnois, where the big guns are stationed. The enemy, he declared, is constructing new emplacements. "Photographs show that the guns are placed exactly between Crepy-en-Laonnois station and the counter-forts known as 'Joy Hills,' two spur lines starting from the station.

"The first spur has a branch leading to a platform which is still occupied, but the centre platform is empty. Its gun has been destroyed. Two more spur

been destroyed. Two more sour lines are under construction, showing that further cannon are expected.

"The emplacement platform on which the gun slides explains the regularity of the direction of the firing. At the moment of firing, ten heavy guns are fixed by a special apparatus to camouflage the sound of the big gun, so that its location cannot be judged from the sound. At the so that its location cannot be judged from the sound. At the same time, thick clouds of smoke from surrounding heights protect the gun from airplane observation."

MOTORS EN ROUTE TO U. S. SEIZED

Held at Brantford for Breaking the Food Export Regulations.

hibited. It is stated that in the past

CANADA MAY SECURE CREDIT IN STATES TO MEET ADVERSE BALANCE

Violation of the Regulations.

Ottawa, April 26 .- The Canada Food Board today issued an order strictly limiting holdings of sugar by persons other than cane sugar manufacturers, providing for seizure and forfeiture of sugar held in excess of the quantities prescribed under the order, and making a violation of the order an offence subject to penalties which shall not be less than \$100 and may run as high as \$1,000 or to imprisonment for a period up to three months.

A more drastic temperance legislation, doubling former penalties, was also passed.

Fifteen Days' Supply The order states that no person othe

a manufacturer of cane sugar shall have in his possession, or under his control at any one time, more sugar than is sufficient for his ordinary requirements of fifteen days, except persons living at a greater distance than two miles from a dealer licensed by the Canada Food Board, manufacturers licensed by the Canada Food Board and using cane sugar in the manufacturer. The importance if the raid is shown using cane sugar in the manufacture of their products, and licensed wholesale and retail dealers.

For Those at Distance.
Provision is made that a person living at a distance greater than two miles and les than five miles from a licensed dealer may hold or control cane. ugar for his ordinary requirements for sugar for his ordinary requirements in a period not exceeding thirty days. A person living at a greater distance that five miles and less than ten miles from a licensed dealer may hold or contro cane sugar for his ordinary require ments for a period not exceeding sixty days. A person living at a distance of ten miles or more from a licensed dealer must not hold or control more can sugar than is sufficient for his ordinary

twenty days.

Rules for Dealers. Brantford, April 26.—Three Buick from the Canada Food Board and using cars, destined for points in the United States, were seized by the customs are sugar in the manufacture of their products, and licensed wholesale and retail dealers, must not hold or control retail dealers, must not hold or control.

whichever be the lower.

If returned sugar is offered but not purchased, the dealer refusing to accept it must report the facts and circumstances at once to the Canada Food

OUEBEC MEN REPORTED

Municipalities Get Fme.

WEIGHT CARRIES THE HUNS TO POINT ON MOUNT KEMMEL. BUT ELSEWHERE ARE HELD

KEMMEL HILL

London, April 26 .- The Germans, in their attack on the northern battlefront, have occupied Kemmel Hill, Gen. Delma Radcliffe, chief director of military operations at the war office stated this afternoon.

THE WAR SILUATION

tide of battle. Against Mount Kemmel and the other hills forming the protecting bastion to the plains east and north in this region. of Ypres the Germans are thurling thousands of troops. tSanding on their second defence line and with Mont Kimmel still in their possession, the British

are fighting tenaciously.

Unable to make appreciable progress against the defence of the British, French and American troops on the line south of the Somme, in Picardy, the enemy swung his attacks to the northern battle ground. As on Wednesday his first assaults on the 7-mile front from Bailleul to Kemmel to Wytschaete were successful and the allied troops were compelled to give up their first defence

Switching Attacks. The tactics of switching attacks is not new to the Germans, and was persisted in by them in their vain attempt prisoners. to capture Verdun two years ago. After the first successful lunge on both sides ently the Germans are now trying the

be making strong attacks on vital sectors in an endeavor to cover preparaions for an effort some place else, bu It is significant that they have attacked on the most important sectors on either battlefront.

Lose Villers-Bretonneux. have been driven from the high ground night. and village of Villers-Bretonn British, with the loss of six hundred prisoners. Further south they hold Hangard. On this front heavy artillery duels are in progress.

Complete success, it is authoritative y announced, attended the dramatic and courageous raid into the German submarine base at Zeebrugge. The enemy, it is said, will be compelled, for some eeks to come, to use Ostend as a base, and the British then can deal more easlly with the German warships and sub-marines. The channel at Zeebrugge was blocked and much damage done to the enemy defences and shipping. A change of wind prevented like success at Ostend, the Germans discovering the raid-

by the fact that Emperor William visit ed Zeebrugge immediately to ascertain the damage, which Berlin Insists was

It is reported that the vice-admiral is

CONFER WITH BOARD PENSIONS REDUCED

ments for one hundred and Ask 75 Cents Per Hour and Eight-Hour Day.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Winnipeg, April 26.-Western deleauthorities here today, the cars being loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited. It is stated that in the past loaded with flour and sugar. The export of the latter from Canada is prohibited with flour and sugar is prohibited hibited. It is stated that in the past there has been a great deal of illicit traffic along these lines, owing to the acute shortage in the United States. Many visitors to this and other Canadian cities have loaded up with sugar while here.

In a transport of the latter from Canada will be for the coming year for all suppersons holding or controlling cane sugar in greater quantities than those prescribed are required to return such excess to the dealer or dealers from whom it was purchased. Those dealers from whom it was purchased. Those dealers from the considerable time. The chief demand of the men will be a flat must accept such sugar if in good condition and pay for it at the purchase price, or at the current market price, or at the current market price, whichever be the lower.

If returned sugar is offered but not accept such sugar is offered but not accept sugar is offered

FLOCKING TO SERVICE

GERMANS TAKE Enemy Makes Slight Gain In Surging Struggle For Heights In Ypres Salient-French and German Artillery In All-Night Combat-Surprise Leap of Haig Wins Back Villers-Bretonneux, Takes 600 Prisoners.

With the British Army in France, April 26.—The French this morn-ing are counter-attacking at Mount Kemmel, in an attempt to reclaim the positions taken by the Germans. Yesterday's fighting was of a desperate nature, and the enemy gains

were only made at a frightful cost.

London, April 26 .- A footing has been obtained on Kemmel Hill by the Germans in their attacks on the northern battlefront, the war office announced today. The fighting is still continuing

WEIGHT FORCED BRITISH BACK.

Paris, April 26.—Heavy artillery fighting south of the Somme is reported by the war office.

The Allied forces were engaged all day yesterday with greatly superior enemy forces along this front from Bailleul to Hollebeke (a distance of about ten miles), and finally were compelled to give ground.

NIGHT BATTERY BATTLE.

Paris, April 26 .- The French official statement follows: South of the Somme violent artillery fighting occurred during the course "We carried out a number of raids at different points on the front, especially in the region east of Lassigny, between the Miette and the Aisne, near Bezonvaux, in the region of Eparges, in Lorreine, and in the Vosges We took of the night.

"Everywhere else the night was calm."

FOE POSTS CLEARED OUT.

the first successful lunge on both sides of the Meuse, the enemy tried to gain his objective by attacking first on the his objective by attacking first on the right bank and then on the left. Apparight bank and the left bank and the l same method of attack by alternating the day against a greatly superior force, the Allied troops were compelled to between Picardy and Flanders in atgive ground, and the enemy obtained a footing on Kemmel Hill. Fighting still between Picardy and Flanders in at give ground, and the enemy obtained a footing on Kemmel Hill. Fight tempts to reach Amiens and wipe out continues in the neighborhood of Dranoutre, Kemmel and Vierstraat. "We carried out a successful minor operation during the night west of It is not improbable the Germans may Merville, and captured 50 prisoners and three machine guns. The hostile artif lery has been active along our front from the Lys River to Givenchy."

VILLERS-BRETONN EUX RECAPTURED.

LONDON, April 25 .- Australian and English troops have re captured Villers-Bretonneux and taken more than 600 prisoners South of the Somme, the Germans in that region, Field Marshal Haig reports from headquarters to

> Farther to the north on a line from Bailleul to Wytschaete there has been very heavy fighting, and the Allied troops were obliged to withdraw from their positions.

The statement says:

"The French and British positions from north of Bailleul to east of Wytschaete have been heavily attacked all day. There was fighting of great severity on the whole of this front, particularly in the neighborhood of Dranoutre, Kemmel and Vierstraat. In the course of repeated attacks and counter-attacks, the Allied troops have been compelled to withdraw from the positions they held this morning, and the fighting continues.

"South of the Somme several counter-attacks, launched by Australian and English troops last night against the positions gained by the enemy yesterday in and around Villers-Bretonneux carried our line onward to within a short distance of our former front and resulted in the capture of over 600 prisoners. The village is now in our possession.

"The enemy's attack yesterday morning on this front was made by at least four divisions and his objectives are stated by prisoners to have included the village of Cachy and the Cachy Fouilloy road. These objectives were not reached at any point RAILWAY SHOPMEN TO The number of German dead found in the positions recaptured by our troops show that the losses of the enemy were very heavy.'

FOR NO REASON, IS CHARGE OF SOLDIER

Awards in Some Cases.

Ottawa, April 26 .- Further evidence regarding pension awards and suggestions as to the manner in which a more equitable distribution might be brought about, were given this morning by R. R. ten months. Lord Rhondda has been Mills, a returned soldier and a member of the Soldiers' Estate Branch, Militia Department, to the special committee on pensions.

Municipalities Get Fine.

DOCTOR McFALL NAMED

FOR O'CONNOR'S JOB

Ottawa, Ont., April 26.—It is expected at the capital that the visit of Sir Robert John Cothers, minister of labor, announced this morning that arrangements had been made whereby Dr. Robert J. Mc. Trade and commerce, would immediately take up the duties of commission to the mediately take up the duties of commission to the mediately take up the duties of commission to the mediately take up the duties of commission to the mediately take up the duties of commission to the mediately take up the duties of commission to the mediately take up the duties of commission to the penalties for violation of the order so this morning that arrangements had been made whereby Dr. Robert J. Mc.

FRENCH HONOR FOR MARSHALL.

Montreal April 26.—Order acaded and the reached morning that arrangements in the raid on Zeeps and the provincial officier, it shall be paid to the provincial officier, it shall then be similarly to the first the provincial officier, it shall then be similarly to the first Mr. Mills cited cases of men whose

QUIT POSITION OF BRITISH FOOD BOSS

BARON RHONDDA HAS

Difficult To Get Adequate Resignation Due to III-Health, Says the Mail.

London, April 26 .- Baron Rhondd the Daily Mail says it understands, ha resigned the office of British food controller, which he has held for the past absent from his post for some weeks owing to ill-health. John Clines, parliamentary secretary for the food min istry, has been in charge temporarily.

David Alfred Thomas, first Baron Rhondda, has been known as the Welsh