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PROBS—Mild and showery at first, followed by cold northwest winds at night.

The Toronto World AT VLADIVOSTOK

ALLIES IMPROVE POSITIONS ON THE WESTERN FRONT IN LOCAL FIGHTING

BRITAIN LANDS MEN ALSO AT RUSSIAN PORT

Japanese Troops Patrol Vladivostok to Maintain Strict Order.

BOLSHEVIKI PROTEST

French Consul Declines to Receive Delegation—Others Hear Complaint.

Moscow, April 7.—Admiral Kato, Japanese minister of marine, has issued a proclamation at Vladivostok dealing with the landing there on Friday of entente allied forces.

The local soviet protested to the consular corps. The American and British consuls consented to receive the delegation as representatives of the soldiers and workmen's council.

LLOYD GEORGE ASKS REDOUBLED EFFORTS

Wants to Prevent German Menace From Spreading to East.

London, April 7.—In a telegram to the Viceroy of India, appealing to the government and the people to redouble their efforts to resist the intention, now transparently clear, of the rulers of Germany to establish tyranny over Asia, as well as Europe, David Lloyd George, the British prime minister, says:

CANADIAN AIR FORCE DOES VALUABLE WORK

Thirteen Enemy Planes Brought Down, Eleven Disabled and Two Shot to Pieces.

London, April 7.—Thirteen German airplanes were brought down in flight with British airmen Saturday, eleven others were disabled, and two were shot down by anti-aircraft guns, according to the British aviation command.

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FURTHER ARRESTS OF QUEBEC RIOTERS

Government Official Beaten and Twelve Men Arrested by Military.

AMERICAN POSITIONS ARE RAIDED SUNDAY

Two Attacks Repulsed With Casualties by Accurate Machine Gunfire.

With the American Army in France, April 7.—Two German raids on different sectors of the American position, northwest of Toul, were repulsed this morning with enemy casualties.

Toronto War News

Major Victor Nordheimer, R. C. D., is killed in action.

A tablet in memory of Capt. H. S. Boulter is unveiled in the Church of the Redeemer.

Rev. Dr. R. Bruce Taylor conducts anniversary services in College Street Presbyterian Church.

BRITAIN TO CALL OUT MEN OF FIFTY-ONE

Principle of Conscription Will Also Apply to Ireland if Enforcement at a Later Date.

London, April 8.—Every man under 51 years of age will be liable to military service under the new man-power bill Premier Lloyd George intends to introduce in the house of commons on Tuesday, says The Daily Mail.

BALTIMORE SHAKEN.

Explosion in Bethlehem Steel Plant Occurs at 2 o'clock in Morning.

ACCUSES JAPAN OF OPENING WAR

Russian Soviet Council Says Campaign Against Republic Was Prearranged.

Moscow, April 7.—The council of national commissaries today issued a statement saying: "Japan has started a campaign against the soviet republic."

It then points out that the landing of troops at Vladivostok was effected immediately after the murder of the Japanese without waiting for an investigation to be made, and says the crime was part of a prearranged plan.

GERMANY HOARDING WOOL BY DUMMIES

Investigation Into Operations of Deutsches Bank in U. S. Is Recommended.

New York, April 7.—A public investigation to determine whether any of the wool purchasing operations of the Deutsches Bank of Berlin through Hugo Schmidt, Eugene Schervert, and others in this country were such as to cast doubt upon the present loyalty of the American and British firms and individuals concerned, was recommended by Alfred L. Becker, deputy state attorney general, in a report made public tonight on the results of the inquiry recently conducted here.

HOME ON FURLOUGH.

St. John, N.B., April 8.—A steamer docking early today brought twenty Canadian officers to their home on furlough and the others are conducting officers who have been over in charge of drafts.

SIGNS PACT AGAIN TO ANOTHER THRUST

Germans Have Been Trying to Improve Positions North of the Somme.

London, April 7.—Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters in France, telegraphing Sunday, says that there are signs that the enemy is about to thrust again on a new scale.

GERMAN PAPER YARNS OF PANIC IN PARIS

Come at a Moment When Spirit of the Nation Was Never so High.

Paris, April 7.—Extracts from German newspapers, giving circumstantial narrations of a panic in Paris and riots following the receipt of official statements from the front, reached here today at the moment when the confidence of the French was never so high and were greeted with characteristic French raillery.

PEACE NOT RATIFIED.

Czerhin Thus Replies to Russian Notification of Ambassadorial Appointment.

Vienna, via London, April 7.—Count Czerhin, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, replying to a message of the people's commissariat at Moscow regarding the appointment of the German ambassador to Vienna, said that according to article 10 of the peace treaty, "diplomatic and consular relations shall be resumed only after the ratification of the peace treaty and that only then will the moment have arrived for the selection of mutual representatives."

WARNING TO GERMANY.

Russian Foreign Minister Protests Against Landing of Troops in Finland.

Moscow, April 7.—Foreign Minister Tchitcherin, in his protest to the Berlin government against the landing of German troops in Finland, characterizes it as a violation of the Brest-Litovsk peace treaty. He cautions Germany against the further movement of German warships in the direction of Helsinki and the seizure of Russian ports, saying that such acts may lead to sad consequences for both sides.

PEACE WITH UKRAINE.

Russians Suggest Smolensk as Seat of Peacemakers in Obeying Germany.

ITALY PRAISES CANADA'S TROOPS

Message Expresses Profound Admiration for Their Fighting Spirit.

Ottawa, April 7.—The following cablegram has been received by Sir George Foster: "Milan, April 4th, 1918.—The sublime heroism with which the brave Canadian troops are fighting the cause of justice and freedom fills our hearts with the greatest enthusiasm, and we beg Your Excellency to accept the expression of our most profound and reverend admiration for the Dominion whose sons are giving such splendid examples of intrepidity and fighting spirit."

WEST IS FIRM BEHIND UNION

Believe However That Military Service Act Should Be More Drastic.

ARE NOT PREJUDICED

But Think Quebec Has Not Done Her Duty and No Excuse Forthcoming.

Ottawa, April 7.—The long debate that kept the house of commons sitting until daylight Saturday morning is now being reviewed from several angles. It gave an opportunity, for example, to the Province of Quebec to present her case to the west. That case was well presented, not only by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Lapointe, but by several of the new members. Quebec has a stronger representation in the house than she has had for many years, but for all that Quebec failed to convince the west. The west members were evidently interested. They listened intently, and had little to say, but their judgment in the case was no doubt accurately expressed by Mr. Redman, Unionist member for Calgary.

FRENCH ARTILLERY CHECKS ATTACKS

Attempts by Enemy to Make Gains on Sunday Stopped.

Paris, April 7.—Attempts by the Germans to make gains against the French troops in the region of Hangard-en-Santerre, Sunday, were blocked by the French artillery. The French artillery took under its fire the German troops at various points on the front north of Montdidier.

CANADIAN-RUSSIANS EAGER TO FIGHT

Delegation of People Who Emigrated From Austria-Hungary Waits on Premier.

Ottawa, April 7.—On Saturday a delegation representing the Stovour population who have emigrated from portions of the Austro-Hungary Empire to Canada waited upon the prime minister and strongly affirmed their warm support of the allied cause, and of their utter detestation of the purpose and methods of the central powers. They affirm that since the war broke out many of their immediate relatives and friends resident within the Austro-Hungary Empire have been persecuted, imprisoned and even murdered by reason of their well known sympathy with the allied cause.

RUSSIANS IN ENGLAND ARE ANXIOUS TO LEAVE

American Consulate Deluged With Applications From "Students" for Passports.

London, April 7.—The American consulate has been deluged from the past few days by applications from Russians resident in England for passports to America. This is the result of current reports as to the features of the new act for enlarging conscription, which, it is said, may emboss the residents of foreign nationality.

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NO RESUMPTION SUNDAY OF ANY BIG FIGHTING

London, April 7.—There was no resumption on Sunday of the heavy fighting along the British front. The Germans, according to the report from British military headquarters tonight, started two attacks at Bucquoy, but were repulsed. The report says: "Successful minor operations undertaken by us this morning south of the Somme led to sharp local fighting. The enemy counter-attacked strongly in an attempt to regain his former position at Bucquoy, but in each case his troops were stopped and dispersed by our artillery fire."

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All Enemy Assaults Meet With Powerful Resistance, But Fighting is of Purely Local Character.

The second phase of the great battle along the Somme, which the Germans began on Thursday, has died down. It lasted less than three days, and the fighting has resolved itself into more or less isolated engagements, in which the French and British allies have more than held their own.

The attention of the Germans for the present is mainly directed at the lower end of the battle zone, which, apparently, they are attempting to enlarge for the purpose of getting elbow room in which to move their vast masses of troops.

Meanwhile Gen. Poch, the commander-in-chief of the allies, is biding his time, waiting for the German assaults with powerful resistance, and here and there conforming his lines to the necessities of the battle. It is confidently stated at Paris that Gen. Poch will not be drawn into any false move—where each move is of such vital importance—but will strike with his reserves at the moment chosen by him.

Kaiser Moves Again.

There may be some significance in the report that the German emperor, after a conference on the western front on Saturday, with his chiefs, Von Hindenburg and his chief of staff, Hinderburg, and Gen. Ludendorff, intends to proceed to Bismarck. At the outset of the great German offensive, when it was sweeping the allied forces before it, notwithstanding their tenacious resistance, Emperor William, it was announced officially from Berlin, took personal command. That announcement was regarded at the time as evidence that the emperor expected a complete and decisive victory. Since then, however, allied reinforcements have come up. The British on Sunday engaged in sharp local fighting at various points and repulsed German counter-attacks. They also drove off by artillery fire two German attacks launched in the neighborhood of Beaumont. Counter-attack Succeeds.

West of Noyon a German detachment which had gained a foothold in the French lines was forced out by a counter-attack. Another attack at Grivesnes was repulsed, but the German efforts along the Oise to enlarge their previous gains and to strike in the sector between Chauny and Barisis. Here the French commander deemed it advisable to withdraw to positions previously prepared, and these are being held strongly.

The Germans apparently have been quite successful in their attacks in this sector, and have pushed down south from Chauny and Barisis, capturing the Villages of Pierremande and Folembray, the latter on the southern outskirts of the Bois de Coucy Wood. They report also the capture of fourteen hundred prisoners and seven French aviators.

The official communication from German headquarters deals with the events of Saturday, when strong British heavy forces stormed the German positions around Beaumont, Hamel and Albert, and French divisions, "brought up from other fronts," attacked the Germans on the western bank of the Aisne. These engagements, according to the German report, resulted in failure for the allies.

On the other hand, Field Marshal Haig's report says that a German attack on the British lines opposite Albert Saturday was repulsed, and that British counter-attacks in the vicinity of the British positions in positions formerly held by them.

Pouring into Finland.

German troops are being poured into Finland, and although the Russian authorities have made no formal protest, they have notified the German Government that "exception is taken to the violation by Germany of provisions of the Brest-Litovsk treaty guaranteeing the security of the Russian fleet and naval stores in Finnish waters."

Polish soldiers have been interned in Hungary, their legions having been dissolved by the Teutonic military authorities, because of "wholesale treason in the ranks."

President Wilson's acceptance of the challenge of the central powers and his declaration of "war, force to the utmost, force without stint or limit, the righteous and triumphant force which shall make right the law of the world, and cast every selfish ambition down in the dust, has had a responsive echo from the capitals of the allied powers, where the press has high praise for the president for "putting his actions into agreement with his words."