

GERMANS UNABLE TO LOOSEN BRITISH HOLD

MASSES OF TEUTONS CUT DOWN BY DIAZ; ITALIAN LINE HOLDS AGAINST HUN WAVES

Massed Onslaught of Austro-Germans Fails To Break Italian Line and Brings Tremendous Losses—Many Divisions Are Worn Out.

Washington, Nov. 27.—Heavily massed forces of Austro-German troops, vainly trying to break the Italian defensive line, have suffered great losses, according to official dispatches today from Rome, and between the Piave and Brenta rivers alone have worn out six divisions.

The dispatch says: "The forces of Krobath and Von Below united in the mountainous zone between the Piave and the Brenta rivers have made a desperate effort to break through the line, availing themselves of their enormous reserves, estimated at twenty divisions, easily shifted. With large forces hidden in the thickets of forests, at one point a small patrol composed of Prussian soldiers with machine guns was sent forward to gather information and prepare the attacks.

In thick waves. "In fact, after a short while, the Austro-Germans appeared in thick waves and directed a furious assault against our positions. At the outset of the attack one of our officers, wounded by an explosive bullet, the soldiers, seeing their officer bleeding from a large wound in his forehead and wishing to avenge him, launched themselves forward with the bayonet with such violence that all the Austro-Germans who had reached our line were completely wiped out with the exception of one man, taking off his coat, fed, shouting: 'I am an Italian!' The enemy repeated his efforts and directed a tank after attack with unabated fury, and our wounded officer remained facing the enemy at this place directing counter-attacks."

ITALIANS MAKE SPLENDID FIGHT AGAINST ODDS
Courage, Endurance and Sacrifice of Diaz's Troops Magnificent.

BRAVE OFFICERS LOST
Terrible Carnage Inflicted by Invaders Fails To Shake Defenders.

London, Nov. 27.—Via Reuters' special agency, Rome, Nov. 27.—The Italian headquarters describes the magnificent spectacle of British troops in the Italian line, comprising cavalry, artillery and infantry, extending along the road for miles, all of which the Italian army is following. The Italian army has been marching steadily for days, and is equipped with a great number of guns and is accompanied by tanks, motor cars, pontons and other accessories to a complete army.

Special Train To Bring Invalids To City On Thursday
Party of 162 Arrives Here at 10 a.m. Over C. P. R.

A special train carrying 162 wounded and invalided soldiers will arrive at 10 o'clock at the C. P. R. depot at Thursday. The party is the latest of those who have returned to the city at any one time since the outbreak of war. In fact, the coming party is more than twice as large as the preceding biggest arrival.

The train comes direct from the Quebec discharge depot. There are 35 London men included, many of those who enlisted with the 1st, 3rd, 5th and other early battalions which left here.

VICTORY LOAN SCORE \$205,659,850
Toronto, Nov. 27.—With two days of the last week of the Victory Loan campaign gone, the total of all Canada subscriptions reported up till 10 a.m. today was \$205,659,850. Of this Ontario contributed \$10,376,750. Tomorrow will be Victory Loan half holiday here and great preparations are being made for a spectacular parade.

AUSTRALIANS ARE IN IT TILL VICTORY IS ASSURED

London, Nov. 27.—Via Reuters' Ottawa Agency.—Speaking at a luncheon to Sir Walter Davidson, governor-designate of New South Wales, at which there was a large attendance of high commissioners and agents general, Rt. Hon. Walter Long, colonial secretary, said he hoped the record of this gathering would reach the enemy, who would then see that London, thanks to the British navy, was not a beleaguered city cut off from the rest of the empire. Paying a tribute to Australia's part in the war, Mr. Long said she had done magnificently under Sir Wm. Birdwood. They were tireless and irresistible, and anxious to return home they say they will never give in until the war is finished by the establishment of an honorable peace.

C. P. R. TO NAME POINTS AFTER GLORIOUS WINS OF CANADIAN TROOPS

Montreal, Nov. 27.—The C. P. R. has taken the step of renaming certain stations with the view to commemorating the glorious deeds in which Canadian troops won renown. A beginning has been made in this direction. Melita on the Sherbrooke division has been changed to "Vimy," while the town of Enterprise, located on the Belleville subdivision of the Ontario district, is to be called "Lens." All the fields in which the Canadians have won or shall win laurels will be commemorated by name by the C. P. R. in the christening of stations.

COLD ACROSS LINE.
Waterbury, N. Y., Nov. 27.—Northern New York is in the grasp of a severe cold wave, the coldest for November during the past sixteen years. The official temperature in this city early this morning was 2 degrees above zero, while outside points report temperatures as low as ten below.



London's juvenile population knows all about Victory Bonds. One of the publicity stunts was the throwing of balloons from the upper stories of Headquarters, 150 Dundas street. The ensuing scramble.

INJUSTICE DONE TO PATRIOTIC WOMEN BY DISQUALIFYING THEM
Discriminations of Borden's Franchise Act Causes Lifelong Conservative to Change Vote.

"What I want to know," said a lifelong Conservative to The Advertiser, "is why, when any women are voting on patriotic grounds, my wife should be disqualified and I allowed to vote?"

"I consider that since they gave the vote to soldiers' relatives they place the female relative of a soldier on the same basis as the soldier, that his service is a proxy, so to speak, for the women of his family. Therefore on the same reasoning they should have disqualified ALL MEN who had not served at the front."

"The women who have done war service are more entitled to the franchise under the present juggling than the men at home who have not done war service. Compared to my wife, who has worked since war began at a certain Red Cross circle, and has deprived herself of practically all social entertainment and amusement, I am a slacker, although I am above military age."

"If any were to be deprived of votes, it is the men, and, of course, they would never dare do that. But they think the women, having never had the franchise generally, will simply have to continue to be absorbed in their knitting. I have always voted Conservative, but I cannot do so again, because of this injustice alone, if not because of others. Of all blunders attributable to the Borden regime, this is the worst."

"The Conservative party was glad as a whole when Bob Rogers was cast off. We felt that it helped the cause. But he apparently had his revenge by perpetrating this franchise act, which rouses the ire of every honest citizen, and is justified by none."

WARRANT CHARGES LONDONER HELD BY POLICE AT TORONTO WITH ARSON AND BURGLARY TOO

Accuses Walter Van Burridge of First Robbing, Then Firing Big Northway Store at Ingersoll, With \$100,000 Loss.

On information laid by H. W. Clarke, manager of the Ingersoll branch of Northway, Limited, warrants were today sworn out in Ingersoll for the arrest of Walter Van Burridge of this city, and John Roberts, who escaped from the London jail with arson and burglary on the morning of November 10, when half the business section of the town was threatened. The Northway store was destroyed, together with adjacent buildings, after it was found, from known to have been in the building the night before being sold in Toronto and vicinity. The arrest of Burridge and the mysterious "Morrison" followed by Morrison's getaway, followed. Manager Clarke declares that he has identified the furs, taken from the men, as part of his stock.

BELIEVE BURRIDGE BUT TOOL.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, Nov. 27.—Walter Burridge of London will likely be turned over to the chief of police of Ingersoll tomorrow morning when he will be brought up in the police court. He is at present held on remand without bail on a charge of having stolen furs in his possession. At present he is on remand for a week, but that action was taken to give police an opportunity to round up his pal, Morrison, alias Robb, who escaped from the London jail with arson and burglary on the morning of November 10.

Roberts is thought to be the ring-leader and Burridge his tool. The local police have no definite charge against Burridge. They have been in touch with the Ingersoll police, and have been notified of his coming with a warrant.

It is understood that the whole province is being combed for Roberts. The local police have fallen down miserably on a number of cases lately and the escape of Roberts seems to be the climax.

BREAD CARDS ORDERED FOR THE FRENCH NATION
Paris, Nov. 27.—Bread cards will be issued shortly. They will be in the form of books with detachable coupons, each entitling the holder to purchase a certain amount of bread. The daily allowance has been fixed at 200 grams (about 10 ounces), per capita. Men engaged in hard manual labor will have a double allowance. The system will be applied only to towns and cities, not to country districts.

FIFTY ARRESTS MADE OVER BOMB OUTRAGE
Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 27.—Fifty Italians were arrested here last night and taken to a south side police station for investigation in connection with the bomb outrage here Saturday.

HAIG'S GRIP REMAINS UNSHAKEN WHILE MORE HOLES ARE BORED INTO THE HINDENBURG LINES

FRENCH BREAK GRIP OF ENEMY ON LINE ALONG VERDUN FRONT
Resistance of the Germans on Banks of Meuse Overcome—Good Raids.

Paris, Nov. 27.—The French last night overcame the resistance of Germans still holding out on the field of operations of the French attack on the Verdun front Sunday, says today's official report. Prisoners were taken in the line without losses. This morning the French fighting is under way north of the Meuse, in the sector between Flin and Pinon.

"In Champagne one of our detachments last night captured German trenches north of Flunay. After having explored the positions, destroyed shelters and captured materials, our men returned to their own lines without losses. This morning we made a successful raid west of Tahure.

"On the right bank of the Meuse (Verdun front) we carried out with success last night an operation in which we took 200 prisoners. We reduced a point of resistance, rounding out the gains obtained in the attack on the left bank of the river a patrol action near Bethincourt enabled us to take prisoners, including an officer. In Lorraine, northeast of Nomeny, we made a raid and brought back prisoners."

That Is Impression of United States Congressman Back From Front.

MORALE OF ARMIES GOOD
Lloyd George and Others Are Unable To Tell Duration of the War.

New York, N. Y., Nov. 27.—Eight members of the Congressional party which left the U. S. on October 15 to visit the battlefront in France and Belgium returned yesterday to an Atlantic port on an American liner and proceeded to Washington. They were three weeks in Europe. The congressmen were exposed to German rifle and machine gun fire several times, and narrowly escaped being hit.

HAIG'S BIG THRUST, PETAIN'S FINE COUP AND DIAZ' DEFENCE MAKE UP GOOD WEEK

Washington Sums Up Operations as Distinctly Favorable to Allies.

Washington, Nov. 27.—The week just closed has been very favorable to the allies, says the war department's official communique, issued today.

The success of the British offensive in the region of Cambrai and the steady resistance of the Italian army in the face of the repeated attacks of the Austro-German forces are two factors which will be considered in the summary of the week's events.

German Plan Failed.
"It is evident that the enemy took the offensive in Italy, hoping thereby to extricate himself from the increasingly difficult position in which his forces find themselves in the west. The German higher command were apparently confident that, in order to save Italy from invasion, the British and French forces of French and British troops would be detached from the western front as to render any further allied offensives in this theatre impossible. That the French and British have both dispatched large contingents into Italy, this has in no way hampered the continuance of their offensive operations."

Sapping Man Power.
"It is the wastage of the enemy forces, the slow yet relentless sapping of his man power by our continuous offensive thrusts, which must eventually result in the softening of his line. This is the ultimate objective of the series of intensive offensives so successfully pursued by the allies during the past six months, and is even more important than the gain of terrain."

The Cambrai Thrust.
"The military situation is dominated by the spectacular successes gained by the British forces in their thrust through Cambrai. By adopting new tactical methods, by evolving a strategy daringly conceived and brilliantly executed, the British forces have been able to record a greater success, when measured by captured terrain than any hitherto accomplished by either belligerent in the same space of time along the western front."

Along the front held by the French forces the latter have accomplished a successful coup-de-main south of Juvincourt. Lively artillery combat, the capture of some elements of enemy trenches and the taking of numerous prisoners. Lively artillery combat, the capture of some elements of enemy trenches and the taking of numerous prisoners.

NEW LIBERAL DAILY LAUNCHED AT MONTREAL
Montreal, Nov. 27.—A new English daily entitled "The Truth" devoted to labor interests, made its first appearance this afternoon.

PORT STANLEY MAN PERISHES WHEN ÉRIE REST HOME BURNS

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Port Stanley, Nov. 27.—George Month, 60 years old, perished early this morning in a fire which destroyed the home of George Birks, with whom he lived on Erie Street.

The remains of Month's body were found amongst the debris when the ruins had cooled sufficiently to be searched.

Month was alone in the building at the time. Birks having spent the night at the village. The fire started about 3 o'clock, and is supposed to have caught Month's body. The cause of the fire is as yet unknown. Month, who was known as "Scott," was widely known in this neighborhood where he was employed in various capacities as a day laborer.

An investigation of the tragedy will be made at once.

THE WAR ON ALL FRONTS

New German attempts to drive the British from their positions in Bourlon Wood and the high ground dominating the Cambrai region have failed. Gen. Byng's men have repulsed another counter-attack at the northeast corner of the wood. There was much severe fighting Monday around Mouveaux, west of the Bourlon Wood and in the outskirts of Fontaine Notre Dame immediately east of the wood and toward Cambrai.

Ypres and Verdun. German artillery has been active in the Ypres and Verdun regions. In the Ypres region the British positions at Passchendaele-Ghevelve ridge are being bombarded heavily by the enemy. The Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria has not attempted attacks.

On the right bank of the Meuse where the French gained the first and second German defenses on a two-mile front Sunday, German efforts to attack have been checked by French artillery, while the enemy guns have been bombarding the new French positions. The British big guns also have been very active in Belgium and north of the Chemin-des-Dames.

French and British soldiers have reached the fighting zone north of the Meuse. The British have been working their way through the Hindenburg support line, west of Mouveaux. There was vigorous fighting at close quarters in this region, and as a result the British today were in possession of a further section of support trenches 2,000 yards long running east and west just south of the Hindenburg line.

In Palestine. British cavalry is now three and one-half miles west of Jerusalem, and is closing in on the Turkish defenses from the southwest. The Turks are offering some resistance, and are holding the Jerusalem-Shechem road to the north in strength. North of Jaffa, British troops have been driven back to the southern side of the city.

The situation in Russia shows little improvement, and the country is described as being on the verge of civil war. Efforts of the Bolshevik government to arrange an armistice continue, and communication by wireless, presumably in connection with the peace offer of the Maximilians. The second army on the Russian front has moved its offices, agreed to the Bolshevik armistice proposals and pledged its support to the movement.

Kaledines Hold Crops. Gen. Kaledines, Don Cossack leader, is master of the situation in Russia. He is in control of most of the grain-growing territory in the south and is said to hold the Russian gold reserve, reported removed from Petrograd a year before the war broke out. The Russian soldiers at the front are reported desperate from hunger, due to the exhaustion of food supplies, and are said to be breaking out.

ANOTHER CANADIAN WINS GREAT HONOR FOR FIGHTING VALOR
Acting Corporal Konowal Is Given Victoria Cross.

London, Nov. 27.—(Via Reuters' Ottawa Agency)—The London Gazette, Nov. 27, contains the award of twenty New Victoria Crosses, the recipients including three Canadians, one Canadian and one South African.

Acting Corporal Philip Konowal, Canadian infantry, awarded the V. C. "for conspicuous bravery and leadership when, in charge of a section, he had the task of sapping the enemy's trench, and machine gun emplacements. Under his able direction all resistance was overcome, and the trench was captured, and the machine gun silenced. He was severely wounded in the process, but continued to lead his men until he was killed by a bullet in the head."

On reaching the objective, a machine gun was held up by the right flank, causing many casualties. Konowal rushed forward and entered the emplacement, killed the crew and brought back the gun to our lines.

The next day he again attacked, single-handed, another machine gun emplacement, killed the crew and brought back the gun to our lines.

This non-commissioned officer alone killed at least sixteen of the enemy, and during two days of fighting carried on continuously his good work until severely wounded.

NORTHERN ARMY OF RUSSIANS FOODLESS
Forces Without Bread, and Meagre Supply of Biscuits.

London, Nov. 27.—The Russian army on the northern front is facing a severe shortage of food, according to reports received in Petrograd and transmitted by the Russian press. The Daily Express says that the Russian army is facing a severe shortage of food, according to reports received in Petrograd and transmitted by the Russian press.

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THE SAFEST INVESTMENT IN THE WORLD—VICTORY BONDS