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BRITISH BEAT BACK GERMAN COUNTER ATTACK; FRENCH TAKE WIDE OF TRENCHES

Fighting at Ginchy Continues; British Bombard Germans Near Lens; French Success is Gained Northeast of Verdun

London, Sept. 7.—A German attempt to regain possession of Leuze Wood, on the Somme front, last night, led to hand to hand fighting with the British. The War Office announced today that the Germans were beaten back. The announcement follows: "Under cover of darkness the enemy made a counter-attack against our position in Leuze Wood. After hand to hand fighting the enemy was driven back, leaving two officers and seventeen men prisoners in our hands. "The fighting at Ginchy continues. There has been considerable artillery activity on both sides during the night and this morning, the enemy using gas and lacrimatory shells. "East of Neuville-Sevaast the enemy exploded a mine. Last evening we carried out a very effective bombardment of the enemy's trenches west of Lens.

Paris, Sept. 7.—The French have captured the German first line trenches over a front of one mile on the Verdun front, the War Office announced today. The breach in the German line was effected on the front northeast of Verdun, between the Vaux Chapitre region and the town of Chenois. They took 250 prisoners. The statement adds that a powerful effort made by German troops to dislodge the French from Hospital Farm on the Somme front was without success, and that the Germans were dispersed with heavy losses.

With the British Army in France, Sept. 5.—(via London, Sept. 7)—The British feel that their uphill work in this latest offensive is over with the execution of the taking of Ginchy. For more than two months now their fight has been one to gain high ground over the broad commanding front. Ginchy is the most places them in possession of the last of the old second line trenches and from the Somme to Thiéval the Germans have now been blasted out of their old positions.

GERMAN DEFEAT AS ESSENTIAL TO UNITED STATES AS TO EUROPE

New York Tribune's Decided Stand on Matter of American Reprisal Against Allies

New York, Sept. 7.—Commenting editorially on proposed measures of reprisal to be directed by this country against the Entente Powers, today's Tribune says: "We sincerely regret the course of Congress in adopting measures of reprisal directed at the Entente Powers. The Tribune regrets the action because it believes that the American interests, American principles and American ideals are being served by the nations who are fighting Germany and it believes that German defeat is as essential to the United States as to Europe. "But, having said this, the Tribune cannot express any surprise at the action in Washington. It has been inevitable from the start, unless British and French statements were sufficiently wise to avoid unnecessary dispute and forego unnecessary activities."

MRS. JOHN CARRIGAN Many will learn with regret of the death of Mrs. John Carrigan of 72 of Chapel street, which occurred last night. Besides her husband she is survived by one sister, Mrs. R. S. Patterson of Toronto and one brother, John Miller of San Francisco. The funeral will take place at 2:30 o'clock on Saturday afternoon.

"Must Make Truce With England" Peace Cry More Insistent Than Ever In Germany; Note of Defeat In Newspaper Articles

London, Sept. 7.—(New York Times cable.)—The Daily Express prints extracts from the Berlin Socialist organ Vorwarts: "If the Central authorities still have any doubts as to the real sentiments of the people in regard to the continuance of this frightful struggle, they should personally attend some of the crowded meetings now being held in various parts of the empire. At all of these gatherings the demand for speedy peace without any annexation is received with thunderous cheers. "At one of these gatherings, Deputy Kappeler declared that the only real guarantee against the repetition of such a catastrophe lay in the disarmament of all states and the establishment of an international arbitration court. In the meantime, however, he added, a truce with Great Britain must be arranged, even if at the sacrifice of some of Germany's chief ambitions."

Another Gain The St. John clearing for the week ending today was \$1,986,279; corresponding week last year \$1,250,295.

CITY GRANT FOR TOURIST WORK

Association Given \$562; Same as Last Year

Harbor Surveys Discussed

Commissioners Want Government to Undertake Work—Talk of Further Harbor Improvements and Harbor Commission

After hearing a delegation which presented the claims of the Tourist Association, the common council at their noon committee meeting today voted a renewal of last year's grant of \$562 to enable them to carry on their work.

Commissioner Russell's resolution for a harbor survey and revision of harbor laws and rates at a cost of \$2,500, was laid over until the commissioner could find what dominion surveys are available and also if the dominion government would undertake the additional surveys which may be needed. In the course of the discussion announcements were made that additional harbor improvements are to be undertaken by the government next year, and that placed the St. John harbor in commission is likely to be completed by the government after the war is over.

The meeting was held at twelve o'clock Mayor Hayes presiding, with Commissioners Wignome, Russell and Fisher and the common clerk present. After some discussion Commissioner Russell's motion that a grant of \$750 had been made, and last year the amount was cut to \$500. The claims of the organization were laid before the council by the president, Mr. Dykeman, and the secretary, Mr. Armstrong, who pointed out that their funds are exhausted and a new issue of booklets was needed.

Harbor Matters Commissioner Russell moved that he be empowered to enter into a complete and adequate survey of the harbor and harbor facilities, the engineer also to furnish a revision of the schedule of harbor fees and the harbor by-laws, at an estimated cost of \$2,500. He urged the need for a harbor survey in connection with improvements, and additional improvements, he said, are to be undertaken soon in main harbor as well as in Courtenay Bay.

Commissioner Russell—"Yes, I have," the commissioner said that the government surveys do not meet the needs of the harbor and that the city should be empowered to make the surveys. "I feel confident that it will not be very many years before the harbor will be placed in commission, and I believe that a survey is needed, all that is required is that we should ask the government to undertake the work."

Commissioner Russell said that Hon. Mr. Hays had informed him that the matter of putting the harbor in commission was not even considered until after the war. He had been told by a government official that a survey is needed, all that is required is that we should ask the government to undertake the work.

Commissioner Russell suggested that the commissioner of harbors be requested to communicate with Ottawa, asking what information now is available and if the government would be willing to make further surveys if needed. This was agreed to, and the original resolution was allowed to stand over.

THE DUMA AND THE JEWS London, Sept. 7.—(Toronto Mail and Empire cable)—London Jews, says the Daily News, are interested in a statement made by a Russian statesman, Miliukov, that a bill will be introduced upon the Jews and removing the existing educational restrictions. If passed, the bill means that the Russian Jews will be able to live anywhere and follow any profession.

BURIED TODAY The funeral of Mrs. Rodrick Conley took place this afternoon from her late residence, 129 Hawthorne avenue. Services were conducted by Rev. T. McKim. Internment was made in the Church of England burying ground.

THE FUNERAL OF MRS. MARIANNE SHARKE took place from her late residence, East St. John. Services were conducted by Rev. R. T. McKim and internment was made in Fernhill.

The body of Edward McHugh was taken by the early train this morning to Sussex for interment. High mass of requiem will be celebrated in the Cathedral tomorrow morning.

Task of Russians To Eliminate Turkey and Bulgaria From War

New York, Sept. 7.—According to a News Agency despatch from London, published here today, Russia is to settle the eastern question by eliminating Turkey and Bulgaria entirely from the war, obtaining for the use of Russia the Black Sea port of Varna or Constantinople itself and using it as a base for the crushing of Germany and Austria. A new strong Russian army is taking the field with special mission, says the correspondent of the Morning Post at Petrograd. When the army has gained one of these ports, as a base of supply, he says, Russia will be able to strike the Teutons with fifty per cent more power.

SURFACE LINES FIRST SUFFER IN NEW YORK STRIKE

Ride or Walk Was Question For Million This Morning

SITUATION WAS SERIOUS

Subway and Elevated Trains Running With the Aid of Nearly Three Thousand Strike Breakers Under Police Protection

New York, Sept. 6.—A million or more residents of New York left their homes this morning not knowing whether they would ride to work or walk. The first sign of a strike declared last night by the union employees of the elevated and subway railroads came with the morning rush hours on these main arteries of travel between the two ends of Manhattan Island.

If the car-men can carry out their threats to halt surface as well as subway and elevated traffic, New York faces the biggest and most vital strike in its history. The geographical formation of the city is such that the narrowness of the greater city and the concentration of the business make New York peculiarly susceptible to any interruption of street car traffic.

When the workers of the city started for their places of employment today, the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees which is conducting the strike, had been unable to tie up the city's elevated and subway railroads. The strike broke up the most important surface lines. With the aid of nearly 3,000 strike breakers and under police protection, the Interborough Rapid Transit Company was running its trains in Broadway and on "I" almost on normal schedules. The strike of the Interborough employees has affected the immediate cause of the strike is the refusal of the Interborough Company to release the men from an agreement to seek no further improvement in working conditions for a period of two years after an advance in pay which the men received last month.

Behind these demands, however, is a contest over the unionization of the street car workers of the city, among whom the Amalgamated Association has gained a strong footing only during the last few months.

Several instances of elevated trains being bombed with stones and bottles were reported from the elevated and subway lines before nine o'clock. Police reserves rushed to the scenes of disorder, entered the buildings and chased from the roofs gangs of men said to have been seen carrying missiles.

At nine o'clock the Interborough reported that express and local trains were running on normal schedule on both subway and elevated lines and with but few changes from the regular crews.

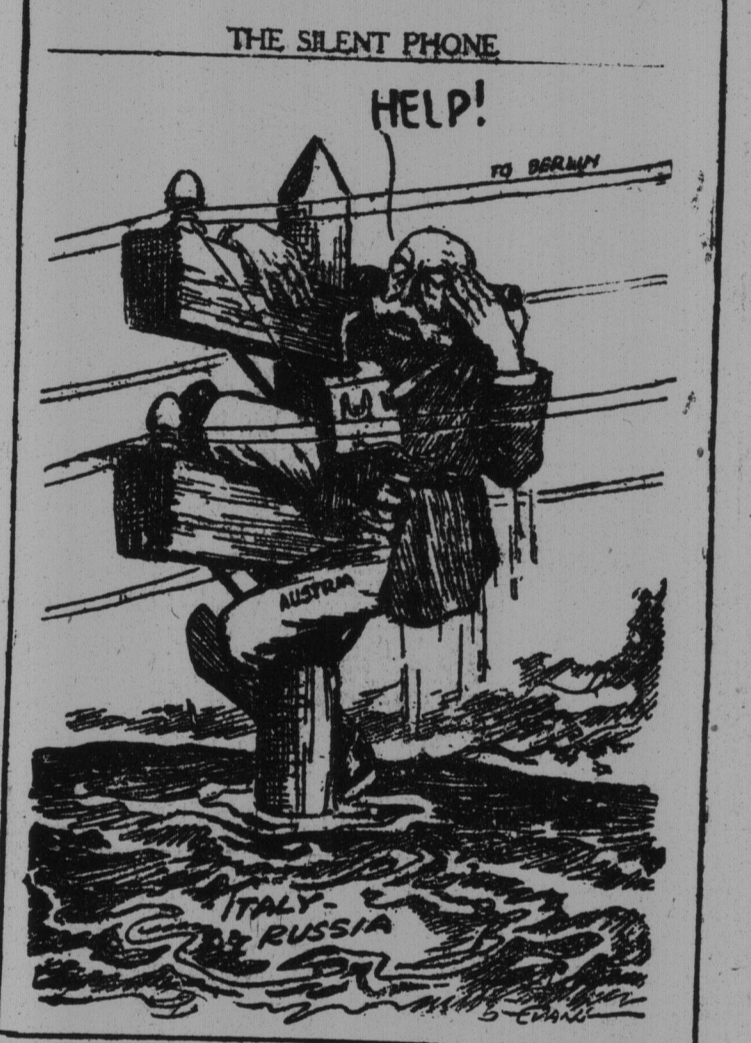
FROM RANKS TO HIS OLD POST AS LIEUT. COLONEL British Officer, Cashiered in 1914, Wins His Way Back

London, Sept. 6.—(Toronto Globe cable.)—An interesting story of a revival of lost character is contained in tonight's announcement of the reinstatement of Lieut. Col. Elkington to the command of the Warwickshire.

This officer had a South African war record and was court-martialed and cashiered in September, 1914. His offence was not stated. He then joined the ranks of the French Foreign Legion and now has been reinstated for gallant conduct.

COSTS HIM \$88 Pte. Fred McGoldrick, who took a cool dip in the harbor yesterday in an attempt to avoid the military police, was fined \$88 for drunkenness and \$80 for violently resisting the police. Robert Kenney, charged with lying about his rank in the I. C. R. station, was remanded. Another prisoner was fined \$8 or two months for drunkenness.

ENGLISH MAELS On Saturday, Sept. 9 a letter mail, along a parcel post and newspaper mail, will close at seven o'clock p.m.



Retake Warsaw This Year, Says Brusiloff

Russian General Confident; He is Wearing the Enemy Out; Three Lines of Enemy Trenches Along 20 Mile Front Captured in Few Hours

London, Sept. 7.—(Toronto Mail and Empire cable)—Writing from a "down in Southern Russia," George Mewes says, in a despatch to the Daily Mirror: "In company with Stanley Washburn I recently motored to the headquarters of General Brusiloff. He talked to us for nearly an hour.

The fighting at Verdun, he said, filled him with admiration for the soldiers of the Entente Powers. For his recent successes he gave all the credit to the Russian soldier. Brusiloff asked the general if Warsaw would be retaken this year. He replied "why not?" Brusiloff has implicit faith in the Russian soldier. Last year he retreated owing to the lack of munitions. He is as confident of the ultimate result as he is now of Warsaw being retaken this year.

Playing Brilliant Game. Petrograd, Sept. 6.—(London Daily Telegraph.)—The strategy of General Brusiloff's grand offensive is based upon the principle of a suspension of the attack as soon as it begins to meet a really serious resistance and of a rapid concentration for a thrust in a fresh direction. New movements begin along the whole front so as to leave the opponent in uncertainty as to the point of real danger and the positions dare not stiffen their line in one sector at the expense of another. Profound secrecy is essential. Brusiloff alone knows what the plans really are.

Russian Gas Effective. Petrograd, Sept. 7.—(Toronto Mail and Empire cable)—The recent attack on Svinjichi, twenty miles southeast of Vladimir Volynski, was heralded by a dramatic incident. During the artillery preparation in this part the Poles were treated liberally to the new Russian gas shell. The Austrian fire was suddenly silenced. The Russians, rubbing forward, found the trenches tenanted only by dead, grimly grotesque figures lying or leaning, evidently killed instantly by the fumes of the gas. The number of Austrians who thus perished is several hundred.

On Thursday morning there was five hour artillery preparation. By two o'clock in the afternoon three lines of Teuton trenches had been captured along a front of twenty miles. Three thousand prisoners, many of them Germans, had arrived at Lutsk.

Russians Are Bombarding Halicz Petrograd, Sept. 7.—The Russians are bombarding the Galician town of Halicz, about sixty miles southeast of Lemberg, says the Russian official report issued today, says the lower in flames. The Russian statement adds that Russian troops have occupied the railway lines between Halicz and Semikovitass and Wodniki.

BRITISH IN SUCCESSFUL RAID ON TURKISH POSITIONS HAS GREECE JOINED US? Wheat Market in Chicago is Affected by Rumor

London, Sept. 7.—A raid by British aeroplanes on Turkish positions at El Arish Sinai Peninsula, ninety miles east of the Suez canal, is reported in the following official statement given out here today: "On Tuesday two of our aeroplanes raided the Turkish aerodrome and aeroplane repair section at El Arish. Twelve bombs were dropped apparently with good results. "Enemy aeroplanes attacked our machines, but did not close in, only opening fire at long range. They ultimately gave up the fight. Our machines returned undamaged."

Wheat Market in Chicago is Affected by Rumor Chicago, Sept. 7.—Reports that Greece had joined the Anglo-French allies put wheat under selling pressure today and caused a weakening of prices. Opening quotations here, which ranged from 1 to 1 1/4c lower, with December at 132 1/2 to 133 1/2 and May at 153 1/2 to 154, were followed by a substantial further decline.

WEATHER REPORT Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stuart, director of meteorological service

A moderate depression which has travelled from the southwest states now covers the upper lake region, attended by numerous thunder storms. In the western provinces the weather has become finer. Showers Tomorrow. Maritime—Moderate to fresh southerly winds, generally fair today; showers on Friday. New England—Probably showers tonight and Friday, warmer on the mainland tonight, moderate variable winds.