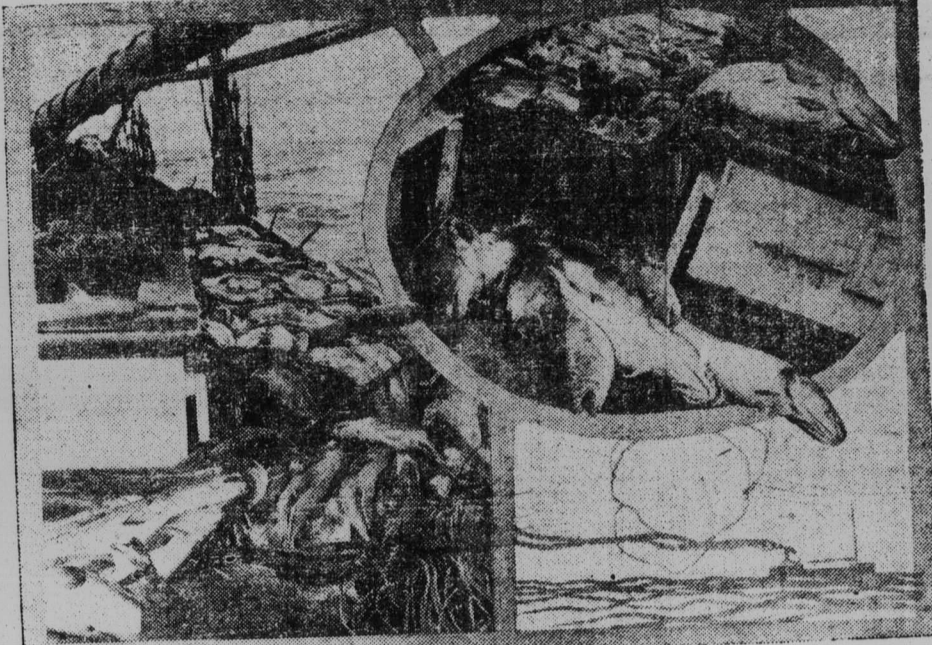


# GERMANS CONTINUE ADVANCE EASTWARD IN RUSSIA, CAPTURING MINSK

Immense Booty Taken, Including 8,700 Men, 425 Officers, Over 1,300 Guns and Nearly 5,000 Motor Cars.

A despatch from London says: The German troops have entered Minsk in their advance eastward in Russia, according to the report from German Headquarters on Thursday evening. The Russian town of Rovno has been cleared of the Russians, the Berlin War Office reports. Trains with about 1,000 cars, many laden with food, have been captured, as well as airplanes and an incalculable amount of war material. Between Dvinsk and Pinsk the Germans are pressing eastward. General von Linsingen's movement continues. Important railway and highway junctions have been occupied. A Berlin despatch states that the Russian written confirmation of the

acceptance of peace terms has passed the German lines. This disposes of rumors of the fall of the Lenin-Trotsky Government. The German War Office announces that 1,353 guns and between 4,000 and 5,000 motor cars have been captured from the Russians thus far in the new campaign. The Germans have made prisoner a General commanding an army, 425 officers and 8,700 men. Rovno is the most easterly of the triangle of Russian fortresses in Volhynia. Lutsck, the western citadel in the triangle, capitulated to the Germans on February 18 without fighting. The third fortress in Volhynia, Dubno, lies about midway between Rovno and the town of Brody on the Galician frontier.



Cod for Dinner. The Fish Committee is asking the public to eat the coarser brands of fish as the supplies of "Luxury Fish" is not large enough to meet the demands.

## NEWS FROM ENGLAND

NEWS BY MAIL ABOUT JOHN BULL AND HIS PEOPLE

Occurrences in the Land That Reigns Supreme in the Commercial World.

It was stated in a city of London court that a substitute had been found for starch.

The King and the Prince of Wales each sent £5 to the Cheyne Hospital for Sick Children as a Christmas donation.

During the month of November the Overseas Club headquarters collected for various war funds the sum of £14,509.

A firm of London tug owners was awarded £100 for saving a cargo of oats worth £1,285 from a barge which had been submerged.

During the month of November last eight thousand two hundred and sixty tons of fish were sent to Billingsgate for sale.

Mrs. King, of Worthing, has given to Cambridge University £1,000 five per cent. war stock for the establishment of a scholarship on fever research.

A London woman, who does not want her name known, gave a cheque for £750 to the Motor Transport Volunteers.

The officers and men of a West York Regiment presented to the city of York two guns captured by the regiment at Cambrai.

At a meeting in Darlington it was decided to open a national fund to commemorate the career of Brig.-Gen. Bradford, V.C., a Darlington man.

William Henry Scott, a chemist of Biggleswade, was fined £20 for refusing to billet soldiers.

The school children of Twickenham have accumulated over £2,000 in war savings during the past year.

Miss Gladys Victoria King, of Battersea, has been awarded the Military Medal for devotion to duty under shell fire.

Sixty branches and posts of the "Comrades of the Great War" have been established in the London Metropolitan area.

Some houses in the Whitechapel district were raided by the military authorities, and several men of military age arrested.

The London Education Committee have granted a scholarship to the son of an Austrian who has four sons in the British army.

Legislation is asked to place railwaymen who are killed or injured in air raids in the same position as soldiers and sailors in the matter of pensions.

The London Committee of the French Red Cross have sent to France 8,000 fruit trees and 50,000 cabbage plants for restocking the farms and orchards.

A silver rose bowl and address were presented to Miss May Baird by the u.c.o.s and men of the R.F.C. in recognition of her work in providing free club accommodation.

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These show that women are engaged as messengers, munition and agricultural workers, nurses, &c., and that they are the pride of the girlhood of the country.

Not satisfied with this showing the women managers of the exhibition have issued an appeal to have women engaged in out of the way positions reported that their jobs may be added to the daily increasing lists.

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## LEADING MARKETS

Toronto, Feb. 26—Manitoba wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$2.22; No. 2, do., \$2.20; No. 3, do., \$2.17; No. 4, do., \$2.10; In store Fort William, including tax: Manitoba cuts—No. 2 C.W., \$3.80; No. 1 feed, \$3.80; extra No. 1 feed, \$3.90; American corn—No. 2 yellow, \$1.10; No. 1 feed, \$1.05; in store Fort William, \$1.05; truck Toronto, \$1.05; Ontario cuts—No. 2 white, 36 to 65; No. 2 white, 35 to 36, according to freight outside. Ontario wheat—No. 2 Winter, per car lot, \$2.22; basis in store Montreal, \$2.20; No. 2, \$2.19 to \$2.80, according to freight outside. Barley—Malt, \$1.65 to \$1.67, according to freight outside. Buckwheat—\$1.70 to \$1.72, according to freight outside. Rye—No. 2, \$2.05 to \$2.05, according to freight outside. Manitoba flour—War quality, \$11.10; new bags, Toronto, \$10.60; Ontario flour—War quality, \$10.60; new bags, Toronto and Montreal, \$10.60; Car lots—Delivered Montreal, \$11.00; Car lots, \$10.50; middlings white, per ton, \$45 to \$46; good feed flour, per bag, \$2.40. Hay—No. 1, \$18, truck Toronto; mixed, \$14 to \$16, truck Toronto; Straw—Car lots, per ton, \$3.50 to \$9, truck Toronto.

Country Produce—Wholesale Butter—Creamery, solids, per lb., 47 to 47 1/2; prints, per lb., 43 to 43 1/2; Eggs—Fresh gathered eggs, 50 to 52; new laid, 55c. Poultry—Dressed, chickens, 28 to 28c; fowl, 23 to 25c; ducks, 23 to 24c; geese, 21 to 22c; turkeys, 28 to 30c. Wholesale dealers are selling to the retail trade at the following prices:—Cheese—New large, 23 to 23 1/2; twins, 23 to 23 1/2; early cheese, 25 to 26c; large twins, 26 to 26 1/2. Butter—Fresh dairy, choice, 40 to 41c; creamery prints, 49 to 50c; solids, 47 to 48c. Eggs—New laid, in cartons, 50 to 55c; No. 1 storage, 50 to 51c; select storage, 53 to 54c. Dressed poultry—Spring chickens, 50 to 55c; half-fledged chickens, 22 to 23c; fowl, 23 to 25c; turkeys, 25 to 40c; ducks, Spring, 27 to 30c; geese, 27 to 28c. Live poultry—Turkeys, 30c; Spring chickens, 1b. 22 to 26c; hens, 22 to 25c; ducks, Spring, 25c; geese, 15 to 17c. Honey—Strained, 1lb. 25c and 5/8, 20 to 22c per lb.; 10's, 20c; 60's, 20c. Beans—Canadian, hand-picked, bush, 18 to 23c; imported, hand-picked, Burma or Indian, \$6.75 to \$7; Japan, \$8 to \$8.25; Lima, 18 to 19c. Potatoes—Delaware, bag, \$2.40; Ontario, bag, \$2.30 to \$2.35.

Provisions—Wholesale Smoked meats—Hams, medium, 54 to 55c; do., heavy, 53 to 54c; cooked, 45 to 47c; ribs, 23 to 24c; breakfast bacon, 40 to 42c; backs, plain, 43 to 44c; boneless, 45 to 46c. Cured meats—Long clear bacon, 28 to 29c; clear bellies, 27 to 28c. Lard—Pure lard, tierces, 24 to 24 1/2; tubs, 24 1/2 to 24 3/4; tubs, 24 1/2 to 24 3/4; compound tierces, 25 1/2 to 26c; tubs, 25 1/2 to 26c; tubs, 26 to 26 1/2.

Montreal Markets Montreal, Feb. 26—Oats—Canadian western, No. 3, \$1.10 to \$1.11; extra No. 1 feed, \$1.10 to \$1.11; No. 2 local white, \$1.09; No. 3, do., \$1.08; No. 4, do., \$1.07. Flour—New standard grade, \$11.10 to \$11.20; Spring wheat, \$11.10 to \$11.20. Rolled oats—Bays, 30 lbs., \$6.50. Bran, 15c. Shorts, \$40. Middlings, \$48 to \$50. Meal, \$58 to \$60. Hay—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$17.

Winnipeg Grain Winnipeg, Feb. 26—Cash prices—Oats—No. 2 C.W., \$3.80; No. 3 C.W., \$3.80; extra No. 1 feed, \$3.90; No. 2 feed, \$3.80; No. 3 C.W., \$3.80; No. 4 C.W., \$3.75; No. 5 C.W., \$3.70; No. 6 C.W., \$3.65; No. 7 C.W., \$3.60; No. 8 C.W., \$3.55; No. 9 C.W., \$3.50; No. 10 C.W., \$3.45; No. 11 C.W., \$3.40; No. 12 C.W., \$3.35.

United States Markets Minneapolis, Feb. 26—Corn—No. 3 yellow, \$1.30 to \$1.33; No. 2, \$1.25 to \$1.28; white, \$2.1 to \$2.3. Flour—Unbleached, \$32.50. Duluth, Feb. 26—Lined—\$3.764 to \$3.84; to arrive, \$3.764; May, \$3.765 bid; July, \$3.724 bid; October, \$3.50 bid.

Live Stock Markets Toronto, Feb. 26—Extra choice heavy steers, \$12 to \$12.25; do., good heavy, \$11.25 to \$11.75; butchers' cattle, choice,

## BRITISH TAKE OVER STRETCH OF FRONT

Transfer of Considerable Part of Line Below St. Quentin From French.

A despatch from the British Army in France says: Another striking illustration of the co-ordination between the allied armies on the western front has been given in the successful transfer of a considerable stretch of the front below St. Quentin from French to British hands. From the inception of this delicate operation no hitch occurred. Thousands of French troops and scores of great batteries moved quietly and methodically out of the line day after day to make room for similar British units. It was done as easily as though the whole vast programme had been rehearsed.

Great credit is due to the French for the excellent condition in which they left the defences in this important region. Untold confusion, perhaps disaster, might have resulted had the defensive system been inferior, but it is such as to draw the highest praise from the British command.

MONUMENT UNVEILED TO CANADA'S IMMORTALS. A despatch from Canadian Headquarters in France says: Canada in France paid reverent tribute to the memory of the Canadian gunners who fell in action during the Vimy Ridge operations, when Gen. Currie unveiled a memorial erected to the gallant dead by the Canadian Corps artillery. Sir Julian Byng was present, and with him was Gen. Sir H. S. Horne, commanding the First Army.

BRITAIN CAPTURES 168 HEAVY HOWITZERS IN PAST YEAR. A despatch from London says: The British captures in the past year include 168 heavy howitzers, 68 heavy guns, 437 field guns, 1,057 trench mortars and 2,814 machine guns. This statement was made by James Ian MacPherson, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for War, in introducing the army estimates in the House of Commons.

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"Why does that hen insist on roosting on the mail-box?" "Very natural! She was hatched from a parcel post egg."

## BRITISH CAMP ON JORDAN'S BANKS

Advancing From Jerusalem Towards Damascus—Within 4 Miles of Jericho.

A despatch from London says: British forces advancing in Palestine from Jerusalem towards Damascus are now within four miles of Jericho, and the tents of Allenby's soldiers are pitched in the valley where the prophets sought retirement from the world, after Elisha had "heated the spring of the waters." Beyond the Jordan the British aviators are operating where Elijah "went up by a whirlwind of fire."

Jericho is a village in the Jordan Valley, about 15 miles east-north-east of Jerusalem. The ancient city stood near the foot of the mountains on the west side of the Jordan plain. The Roman City, which existed as early as the time of Christ, was rather further south. In the middle ages the tower stood further east. Jericho was famous for its palms and gardens of balsam.



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## REPRISALS TO BEGIN IN EARNEST

British Will Carry Air War to German Cities in Retaliation For Hun Outrages.

A despatch from London says: The campaign of air reprisals on German cities and towns is about to begin in earnest. "Reprisals" is a word not officially used in Great Britain. However, let it be set down here on the very highest authority that if the Germans believe they can bomb London every moonlight night, killing women, children and cripples unable to find shelter, and then trust to the Christian spirit of England to prevent reprisals, they may look for a violent awakening from their barbarous slumbers.

It is conceded generally that the bombing of cities containing military bases, supplies, troops and munitions will be one of the big features of the war from this time on. It will veritably be a war in the air, and may, perhaps, have a vital effect on hastening the end of hostilities. Improvements in aircraft have been almost magical since the war began, and the world may well prepare for astonishing things.

For every raid on London or other unfortified city there will be raids on German cities. No one expects the English fliers to go to Berlin just now. A return trip to the German capital under present conditions would be too uncertain, but it may be said that the Germans are not the only ones who are making wondrous strides in the perfection of aircraft.

MORE UKRAINE GRAIN THAN CAN BE MOVED. A despatch from Amsterdam says: In an address to the Lower House of the Reichsrath at Vienna, Dr. von Seydler, Austrian Premier, declared that under the peace treaty with the Ukraine there had been placed at the disposal of the Central Powers the Ukraine's surplus of agricultural products. This surplus was greater than the Central Powers, at the most favorable estimate, could transport.

DAYLIGHT SAVING IN BRITAIN MARCH 24. A despatch from London says: Sir George Cave, Home Secretary, announced in the House of Commons that the Summer period would begin March 24 and end September 29.

Britain Stands by the Poles. A despatch from London says: The British Government has instructed its agent at Kiev to make the declaration that Great Britain will not recognize any peace in the East which involves Poland without a previous consultation with Poland.

## AMERICANS LOST 204 ON THE TUSCANIA.

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A despatch from London says: Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking in the House of Commons, said the average daily expenditure during the four weeks ending February 16, was \$31,920,000.

Two hundred and four Americans lost their lives on the Tuscania, according to the latest figures received at American army headquarters. Of this total there have been identified and buried three officers and 137 men; unidentified buried, one officer and 31 men; missing (presumably went down with the ship), 32 men.

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## The Doings of the Duffs.



WHAT'S THE MATTER, HELEN—WHAT ARE YOU SURE ABOUT?

NEVER MIND—I'M GOING DOWN TO THE OFFICE WITH YOU!

OFFICE, WHAT FOR?

I WANT TO SEE THAT NEW GIRL YOU HAVE THERE

WELL, I'LL SAY SHE'S WELL WORTH LOOKING AT!

YES, YOU SEEM QUITE INTERESTED IN HER LOOKS ALSO HER CLOTHES

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

I FOUND THIS CUTE LITTLE MEMORANDUM IN YOUR POCKET, "BUY NEW RIBBONS FOR TYPEWRITER"