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GERMAN AIRMEN CAUSE 108 DEATHS IN ENGLAND

BRITISH ADVANCE IN ST. JULIEN REGION; RAID NORTH OF LENS

Number of Germans Killed and Several Prisoners Taken—Hostile Raiding Party Near La Bassee Driven Off.

London, Sept. 4.—The enemy's artillery showed great activity during the night northeast of Ypres, says today's official statement. "We advanced our lines slightly northeast of St. Julien.

"We carried out a successful raid last night directly north of Lens. Our troops killed a number of Germans and captured several prisoners. A hostile raiding party was driven off south of La Bassee."

FRENCH REPULSE ATTACKS.

Paris, Sept. 4.—Attacks were made by the Germans last night on the French lines in the Hurtebise region on the Aisne front and east of the Meuse in the Verdun sector. The war office announced today that both were checked by the French fire.

Raids by French troops at Sapigneul, between Souain and Somme, in Champagne and in the Argonne region, resulted in the capture of prisoners and material.

Losses For Germans.

The text of the statement follows:

"Not far from the Hurtebise Farm, the fire of our forces broke an attack led by detachments of enemy shock troops, who suffered serious losses without obtaining their objectives.

"In the Champagne district at the end of the day we executed an extended surprise attack along the roadway between Souain and Sompy. French detachments charged, with the bringing back of prisoners and the destruction of certain gas installations, penetrated enemy trenches along a front of 800 metres and to the entire depth of the enemy's first position. After having destroyed numerous gas tanks and blowing up vitrious shelters, our men returned to their lines bringing some forty prisoners, four machine guns, one trench cannon and other important material.

Garrison Wiped Out.

"To the east of Sapigneul French reconnoitering parties penetrated yesterday, by surprise, a salient of the enemy line. Spirited fighting followed, in the course of which the German garrison was killed or made prisoner.

"In the Argonne another surprise attack to the north of Vienne Chateau gave us prisoners.

"On the right bank of the River Meuse we checked the German attacks on minor French posts located on the outskirts of Caurieres Wood.

"The night passed quietly on the remainder of the front.

Aviators Active.

"The vicinity of Calais and Dunkirk was visited last night by German aviators, who threw down bombs. Calais reports that several persons were either killed or wounded. In the environs of Lumeville and in ten communes to the north of Nancy there were also visits from enemy airplanes. The material damage was slight, and no one was hurt. French bombing airplanes covered with their projectiles the aviation fields and various barracks and railroad stations in the enemy zone to the north of Soissons. Another French air expedition was successful in the starting of two fires in the railroad station at Fresnoy-le-Grande. Furthermore, French machines bombed the railroad stations at Roulers and Lichtervelde, in Belgium aviation fields at Colmar, Frescati and Habscheim and the railroad stations at Conflans, Cambria, Thionville, Metz, and Weippy, where a violent outbreak of flames occurred.

"During the day of September 3 French pursuit airplanes brought down thirteen German machines, most of which were completely destroyed."

BELFAST ASSEMBLY OF CONVENTION IS A FAVORABLE SIGN

Dublin, Sept. 4.—The assembly of the constitution convention for Ireland today at Belfast to which city the deliberations have been transferred for three days, excited great interest throughout Ireland. Very favorable conclusions for the success of the convention were drawn from it. The sitting occurred in the municipal chamber and the lord mayor, who is a member of the convention, entertained the delegates at luncheon at the city hall.

It is felt to be a great gain that Belfast should abandon its rigid position of unwillingness to discuss home rule at all and should give a cordial reception to the convention in which its views are largely reported, and whose function is to draft a constitution for the government of Ireland.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 71; lowest, 46.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 62; lowest, 40.

TOMORROW—FINE AND COOL.

Toronto, Sept. 4—8 a.m.

Forecasts.

Light to moderate winds; fine and comparatively cool today and on Wednesday.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations.	High.	Low.	Weather.
Victoria	60	50	Cloudy
Calgary	54	38	Cloudy
Winnipeg	64	36	Cloudy
Port Arthur	64	40	Fair
Parry Sound	64	54	Clear
Port Stanley	68	42	Clear
Buffalo	66	52	Fair
Toronto	70	46	Clear
Kingston	70	46	Clear
Ottawa	68	46	Fair
Montreal	70	52	Fair
Quebec	64	44	Clear
Father Point	56	42	Cloudy

Weather Notes.

A very pronounced area of high pressure covers the Great Lakes and Middle States, while in the West and along the Atlantic Coast pressure is relatively low.

A tropical storm is centred south of Bermuda, its course as yet unknown.

The weather is fine from Manitoba to Nova Scotia.

FIRST PRIZE BABY BOY AT LABOR DAY PICNIC YESTERDAY

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MAURICE MURPHY, son of W. P. Murphy, 23 Erie avenue. Maurice is 9 months old.

RUSSIANS STILL RETREAT BEFORE FOES ON COAST IN RIGA REGION

Also Retire in Uxkull District, Being Dislodged by Germans.

Petrograd, Sept. 4.—The Russian retirement in the Riga region is being continued along the coast in a northeasterly direction, the war office announced today.

In the Uxkull district the Russians are retiring northward, having been dislodged by the Germans in the great Jaegel River region.

Hostile ships are shelling the Riga coast, the announcement adds.

In the region of Kranzem (27 miles southeast of Riga), Milph and Ryonsk, the Russians' retirement is to the northeastward.

Considerable artillery fire has developed in the neighborhood of Dvinsk.

NO TRADES UNION DELEGATES WILL BE SENT TO STOCKHOLM

British Congress Decides This by Big Majority.

Blackpool, England, Sept. 4.—The trades union congress today placed itself on record as opposed to participation in the International Socialist Congress at Stockholm, abandoning the idea of sending British delegates. By a vote of 2,894,000 against 91,000 the congress adopted the recommendation of the parliamentary committee, which is to the effect that although an international conference is desirable in principle it would be useless in practice unil an agreement as to war aims is reached among the workers of the allied nations.

AUSTRIA'S LOSSES ON ROAD TO TRIEST ARE 128,500 MEN

Washington, Sept. 4.—Austrian losses in the fighting on the road to Triest are 215,000 men and 3,500 officers, according to dispatches received yesterday at the Italian embassy.

Gen. Borovic is reported to have been removed, being blamed for much of the failure of the Austrians, and Gen. Kolevess named as his successor.

NO ORGANIZED OPPOSITION TO C.N.R. DEAL BY C.P.R. COMPANY

President Denies Reports of Lobbying Against the Measure.

NO SUCH ATTEMPT MADE

Talk of C.P.R. Acquiring Other Line At Suggestion of Government.

NEGOTIATIONS DROPPED

Lord Shaughnessy Resents References To His Attitude On Conscription.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Montreal, Sept. 3.—On being asked to make a statement in connection with the proposed acquisition of the Canadian Northern Railway by the Canadian Government, Lord Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, has made the following reply:

"I wish to deny most emphatically the statement published in a number of newspapers, and evidently inspired that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is offering organized opposition to the Government proposals about the Canadian Northern. Up to the present time no effort of any kind has been made by the company to influence the vote of a single member of the House of Commons or the Senate upon the measure now before parliament.

Old Threabare Ruse.

This reference to the Canadian Pacific is the same old threadbare ruse to which resort has been had on more than one occasion during the past 30 years, when railway schemes of one character or another were being considered by parliament.

It is true that the acquisition of the Canadian Northern by the Canadian Pacific was discussed by representatives of the parties concerned, but the discussion was at the suggestion of members of the Dominion cabinet.

After a time it was evident that no transaction was possible and negotiations were dropped.

Objects to Price.

"The fate or destiny of the Canadian Northern is not a matter of special moment to our company, as a common carrier, but the company having enormous interests in Canada naturally views with apprehension the possibility of the payment of an excessive price for the alleged equity of the holders of the majority stock, and feels that some less speculative and more direct means should have been used to fix the amount than the very uncertain process of arbitration.

The Dangers.

It is to be hoped that if the transaction is carried out the country will not, in consequence, be saddled with heavy liabilities heretofore undisclosed and that in fixing the amount to be paid under the arbitration proceedings no consideration whatever shall be given to personal investments in unfortunate ventures such as coal mines, lumber mills, blast furnaces and other works alleged to have been undertaken for the advantage of the Canadian Northern enterprises, but being in fact private speculations of the promoters of the railway company.

"The reference to my own attitude on conscription are offensive and unwarranted on this subject, and on every other question or work connected with the prosecution of the war. I require no advice or inspiration from that little coterie of men who are engaged in fixing standards of patriotism and whose catechism fails to distinguish between loyalty to the King and loyalty to their particular projects or interests."

RUSSIANS RETREAT IN PERSIA, STATES REPORT BY TURKS

Constantinople, Sept. 3—Via London, Sept. 4.—Russian troops in Northwestern Persia have been pressed back by the Turks, the war office announces. A Turkish detachment, advancing in an easterly direction from Merivan, is reported to have occupied Garata bridge.

HAMILTON SUSPECTS TO REMAIN IN JAIL UNTIL HEARING WEEK HENCE

Hamilton, Sept. 4.—Harry Smith, manager of the Crescent Oil Company; Walter Scott, architect; J. J. McAuliffe, well-known real estate man; and Herbert Asseltine, caretaker of the Crescent Oil Company's premises, held in connection with the slaying of Dr. MacRobbie, appeared in court this morning and were remanded without bail for another week at the request of the crown attorney. C. W. Bell, defending Smith and Scott, is also acting for Asseltine.

Smith, McAuliffe and Scott, found drunk on the premises of the oil company the night of the tragedy, have been in jail since. Asseltine was locked up last night, following the coroner's jury's verdict that MacRobbie was killed as the result of a blow believed to have been delivered by one of the four men. Manslaughter will be the charge the quartet will face.

J. K. McNEILLIE HAS FOLLOWED OLD CHIEF

Moncton, N. B., Sept. 4.—J. K. McNeillie, general superintendent of the Canadian Government Railways, resigned today and accepted a position with the Delaware and Hudson Railway under F. P. Gutelis, formerly manager of the Canadian Government Railways.

MORE TEUTONITIS

Advertiser Illustrations —Brooklyn Eagle.

Drop that bag and go back to your own country!

Teuton—"Ach, Gott! You are stretching out your sacreligious hand towards the sacred Fatherlaand!"—Westminster Gazette.

WASHINGTON OFFICIALLY PAYS FAREWELL TRIBUTE TO MEN ABOUT TO ENTER ACTIVE ARMY

Washington, D. C., Sept. 4.—With the president of the United States, members of both Houses of Congress, high officials and diplomats participating, the national capital today paid a farewell tribute to persons who soon will enter the national army for service overseas with the expeditionary forces.

The demonstration took the form of a parade in which the men of the selective draft army, led by President Wilson and accompanied by veterans of the blue and gray, soldiers, sailors and marines, swung up Pennsylvania avenue from the capitol, past the White House.

The Senate and House prepared to adjourn early in order to take part, it being the first time that Congress has ever marched in any popular demonstration.

AT NEW YORK, TOO.

New York, Sept. 4.—For the second time within a week New York today honored her fighting men when several thousand future soldiers who were called to the colors under the selective draft law, paraded up Fifth avenue preparatory to leaving for their training camp. Not all of the men in the parade were undrilled, although all marched without uniforms. Charles E. Hughes, chairman of the district board of New York City, who has refused many hundreds of claims for exemption, made by men in today's parade, was among the guests invited to review the marchers. Many of the men in line still have claims for exemption before the district board, which, it was announced today, will make an effort to hear 3,000 of the 12,000 waiting to be decided during the next week.

Following the parade, the marchers were the guests of the city at a number of entertainments, the chief of which was the baseball game at the Polo grounds, between the Boston and New York National League teams.

DYNAMITE GANGS IN MONTREAL HAD FINE PROGRAM OF ARSON AND MURDER READY

Premier Borden and Solicitor-General Marked Men.

ALL PREPARATIONS MADE

Police Say Parliament Buildings Were To Be Blown Up.

Montreal, Sept. 4.—The anti-conscription dynamiters had mapped out the following program, according to the police: First, the murder of Lord Atholstan as he drove from his country house to Montreal; next, the dynamiting of his lordship's home and offices of the Montreal Star; then Solicitor-General Meighen was to be assassinated in Ottawa; the prime minister, Sir Robert Borden, was to be murdered, and the Parliament Buildings at Ottawa were to be dynamited.

All Was Ready.

The anarchists had everything prepared to put this program into execution when the police authorities began to get suspicious of certain of the ticket-of-leave element connected with the organization—that is Joseph Leduc, who committed suicide yesterday, and Henri Monett, now being chased in the Laurentian Mountains, near Sainte Agathe, by the police in automobiles.

Pro-German Implicated.

The police believe that the clues they have dug up in connection with the plots point to their having been hatched primarily by a prominent man here with strong German affiliations.

The police further announced that men in clerical garb had been shadowed after they had visited the home of one of the suspects, and that information in reference to guns and ammunition, said to be in an institution in the city, was being investigated.

BOMBS DROPPED UPON BRUGES DOCKS SEEN TO REACH THEIR GOAL

London, Sept. 4.—Continuing their raids over Belgium, British aviators on Sunday night made attacks in the vicinity of Bruges. The following official account was given out today:

"Naval aircraft made a bombing raid at midnight Sunday on the docks, submarine shelters and railway sidings at Bruges. Bombs were observed to explode over the objectives, and fire was caused adjacent to the lock gates of the Ecluse Canal.

"A raid also was made early Monday morning on the airdrome at Varssenaere (4½ miles southwest of Bruges). Bombs were seen to explode among the sheds. One of our machines was attacked by six hostile aircraft, and succeeded in shooting down one, completely out of control. In an engagement between one of our aircraft patrols and enemy machines there were three decisive combats. One of our machines failed to return."

CARMEN STILL OUT.

Edmonton, Sept. 4.—The employees of the municipal street railway who are on strike for a 20 per cent increase in wages are still out. They refused the city council's offer of what was practically a 10 per cent increase.

ALLIES TO DISCUSS SITUATION; CHANGE IN PLANS PROBABLE

Russian and Italian Conditions May Cause This.

ITALY IS NOW CONFIDENT

Can Destroy Austrian Power If Given Munitions and Guns.

New York, Sept. 4.—A Washington dispatch to the New York Times says:

"Word reached Washington through official channels today that the Entente Allies will soon hold an important military conference in Paris to canvass the situation along the fronts. The Russian situation will be considered on account of the disasters that have befallen the Russian armies of the Riga and Galician fronts and in Rumania. These reverses and the success of the Italian offensive are expected to bring about a complete revision of the Entente military plans for the fall and winter months.

Unexpected Success.

The success of the Italians has more than met expectations of military experts in London and Paris. For more than a year, according to information reaching here, the Italians have insisted in Entente military conferences that a decision might quickest be reached on the Italian front.

The Italians are now pointing to the successes achieved along and beyond the Isonzo as a justification of the soundness of their contentions.

May Change Shipping.

At the coming council they are expected to assert that if they receive ample coal and munitions the operations on the Isonzo front can be carried to complete victory, resulting in the capture of Triest and the destruction of Austria's military power. It is possible that the conference may result in the diversion of tonnage to Italy to carry these essential sinews of Italian military success.

ORGANIZED LABOR OF U. S. A. HOLDING GREAT LOYALTY CONFERENCE

Aims Also to Warn Pacifists and Pro-German Propagandists.

Minneapolis, Sept. 4.—Organized labor mobilized its representatives here today for the double purpose of pledging support to the Government in the war and sounding a warning to pacifists and pro-German propagandists by means of a big loyalty conference under the auspices of the American Alliance for labor and democracy.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor and chairman of the alliance, will arrive here today.

NO BRAZILIAN TROOPS TO FIGHT IN EUROPE

Ria Janeiro, Sept. 4.—In a denial of newspaper reports, the minister of war has announced that Brazil will not send troops to Europe. The announcement also states that the minister of the navy will not lease requisitioned German ships to the Entente Allies.

OVER 100 NAVAL MEN VICTIMS OF TEUTONIC AIR RAIDERS, MONDAY

BRITISH CASUALTIES IN WEEK NUMBER 15,614

London, Sept. 4.—British casualties reported in the last week are 15,614. They are divided as follows:

Killed or died of wounds: Officers 364; men 3,880.

Wounded or missing: Officers 846; men 10,524.

BORDEN WOULD REFUSE VOTE TO NATURALIZED ENEMIES AND ALL CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS

"War Time Elections Act" Will Give Franchise To Wives and Relatives of Soldiers—Measure Only Temporary, and Likely To Meet With Strong Opposition.

Ottawa, Sept. 4.—A bill entitled "A War Time Elections Act," appears on the order paper of the House of Commons in the name of Sir Robert Borden and will be proceeded with Wednesday. This is the title given the measure better known as the federal franchise. It is, practically speaking, the only remaining piece of the sessional program in the Commons and were it of a non-controversial character the session would conclude in short order. As far as can be learned, the bill is likely to be more contentious than otherwise and unless changed from its present form, the act seems likely to give rise to opposition.

Main Provisions.

It is understood that it will have three principal provisions—the disfranchisement of the German and Austrian born, who have been naturalized in Canada, particularly in more recent years. Their Canadian-born sons would not be debarred from voting, if qualified. Another provision will be to extend the franchise to the wives and relatives of soldiers, and a third provision to eliminate from the vote the "conscientious objectors" to military service.

For War Election.

As the title of the act implies, there is to be a war-time franchise for a war-time election. The essential issue of the campaign will be the war and the underlying principle invoked by the Government is to extent the franchise to soldiers in the female relatives, but to deny to naturalized alien enemies the right in war time to vote on war issues.

New Dominion Lists.

Heretofore in federal elections provincial lists have been used. The new act will provide for Dominion lists prepared under Dominion auspices. The act, in whatever form it is finally passed, will apply only to elections during war time. It is not designed to be a permanent affair either in regard to the enlargements or restriction of the franchise.

Any radical bill—as now seems likely—will have to be put through by the process of closure.

IMMENSE PATRIOTIC DEMONSTRATION AT BLACKPOOL, ENGLAND

Organized by National War Aims Committee.

Blackpool, Sept. 4.—This is Anglo-American Day at Blackpool at a great demonstration in which the war aims of Great Britain and America will be restated, it having been organized by the National War Aims Committee, of which Premier Lloyd George, former Premier Asquith, Chancellor Bonar Law and G. N. Barnes, member of the war cabinet, are officials.

The following resolution was prepared:

"That this meeting records its inflexible determination to continue to a victorious end the struggle for the maintenance of those ideals of liberty and justice which are the most sacred cause of the allies."

BREMEN MERCHANTS FROTH OVER ANSWER OF WILSON TO POPE

Condemn It As Hypocritical, and Praise Kaiser.

Amsterdam, Sept. 4.—According to advices received here from Bremen, President Wilson's reply to Pope Benedict's peace proposals was the incentive to a demonstration on the bourse there yesterday. After a speech by Herr Fabrius, president of the chamber of commerce, it was resolved to send the following to the emperor:

"Bremen merchants raise an indignant protest against President Wilson's hypocritical reply to the pope, in which he professes to combat the German Government in order to drive the American people, with whom Germany never had a quarrel, into a war which they reject.

Impudent and Brazen.

"It is an impudent and brazen attempt to sow dissension between the Government and the people of the German nation.

"This attempt can only fill with indignation and contempt German merchants who have had the opportunity in foreign lands to compare German with foreign conditions. In this hour Bremen merchants pledge themselves to unalterable allegiance to your majesty, bearer and the empire's guardian of the imperial crown, re-won after centuries of long struggles by the united German people in 1871. They again declare their unalterable confidence and belief in a victorious outcome of this righteous war of defence."

Assails "Rights."

In the course of his speech, President Fabrius said no other enemy utterance had evoked such wrath in every German heart as President Wilson's note, in which the most sacred rights of the German nation were assailed.

A demonstration also was held on the Hamburg bourse, where resolutions similar to those adopted in Bremen were passed.

NO TEUTON REBUFF.

London, Sept. 4.—The peace proposals of Pope Benedict will not meet with a rebuff on the part of the Central News dispatch from Amsterdam. The central powers will make separate replies to the pope, setting forth the principles arrived at in the course of these deliberations. As for the Polish question, it is said, no decision can be reached at the present.

ITALIAN AIRMEN BOMB AUSTRIAN NAVAL BASE AT POLA SEVERELY

Destruction and Conflagration Caused, Says Official Report.

ENEMY FLEET OBJECTIVE

All Machines Return Safely in Spite of Vigorous Shelling.

Rome, Sept. 4.—Thirty Italian airplanes have dropped nine tons of bombs on the Austrian naval base at Pola, causing destruction and large conflagrations, it is announced officially. The bombs were dropped on the Austrian fleet at anchor and also on military works.

All Return Safely.

All the Italian machines, although determinedly attacked, returned safely. The artillery fire has grown heavier on the Julian front, says the official announcement, which reads:

"From St. Elvio to Monte Rombon there were the usual patrol actions.

"On the Julian front there were more intense artillery duels and considerable activity by our airplanes.

"Last night, under favorable atmospheric conditions, 30 of our airplanes flew on Pola and bombarded the military works of this naval port and the enemy fleet at anchor in the harbor and in the Fasana Canal.

Enemy Kills Civilians.

"Nine tons of bombs were dropped on the targets, causing destruction and great conflagrations. Our machines, although attacked by airplanes and shelled by anti-aircraft batteries, returned safely to their bases. On Saturday night enemy aircraft made a bombing raid on some localities in the plain between the Lower Isonzo and the Tagliamento, causing casualties among the civil population and soldiers in hospitals."

BAR ASSOCIATION OF U. S. PLEDGES LOYALTY

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Sept. 4.—Resolutions pledging the loyalty of the American Bar Association to the Government were presented at the opening session of the annual meeting today by Elihu Root, on behalf of the executive committee, with the unanimous recommendation of the committee that they be adopted.

The resolutions recommended "the speedy dispatch of the American army, however raised, to the battlefront in Europe, where the armed enemies of our country can be found and fought and where our own territory can best be defended."

JAILING I. W. W. MEN.

Sydney, N. S. W., Sept. 3.—The authorities are continuing vigorously their attempts to put an end to the activities of the Industrial Workers of the World. Three more members of the society here and 34 at Broken Hill have been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for belonging to an unlawful association.

MICHAELIS IN BERLIN.

Amsterdam, Sept. 4.—The German chancellor, Dr. George Michaelis, has returned to Berlin after a trip of five days to Belgium, and the western front.

Six Airplanes Swept Above Thames Estuary, Dropping Many Bombs.

TOTAL KILLED, 108

Wounded Number 92 in Isle of Thanet and Chatham District.

London, Sept. 4.—In last night's aid raid 107 persons were killed and 86 wounded at Chatham and in the Isle of Thanet, it is announced officially.

The victims were na ratings. Six airplanes part in the raid.

The term "naval rat applies to the grade of me board ship, usually those b fore the mast.

Civilians Suffer.

In addition to the naval casualties, one civilian was killed and six were injured.

The announcement follows:

"Lord French (commander of the British home forces), reports that last night's raid in the air was carried out by about six enemy airplanes, which proceeded up the south bank of the Thames estuary to Chatham. Bombs were dropped in the Isle of Thanet and in the Sheerness-Chatham area between 10:40 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. There were no army casualties. Civilian casualties reported at present are: Killed 1, injured 6.

Little Material Damage.

"The material damage was slight. Our machines went up and anti-aircraft guns came into action, but without result.

"The secretary of the admiralty reports that in the course of the air raid last night the following casualties were caused to naval ratings: Killed 101, wounded 86."

A dispatch to the Star from Chatham says that part of the naval barracks there was struck by a bomb during last night's air raid, this causing serious loss of life. The Chatham dockyard, the message states, entirely escaped damage.

BORDEN UNABLE TO FORESEE DANGER IN CONSCRIPTION BILL

Will Be Enforced, He Declares In Letter.

Montreal, Sept. 4.—Rumors that the military service act would not be introduced are described by Sir Robert Borden in a letter to a correspondent here, as baseless.

The prime minister also says: "I am unable to share apprehensions as to the effect of this law in this country.

"We have sent the Canadian Expeditionary Force to the battlefront in the name of Canada: it is idle and shameless hypocrisy to pretend as the chief faction opposed to this law do, that because these men went voluntarily we at home have no obligation to support them. We encouraged them to go; we organized, trained and equipped them. They have offered themselves for the supreme sacrifice on our behalf. More than thirty thousand of them are under the sod, that we may live and that our inheritance may be preserved. To desert them now on the ground of a quibble that they were merely volunteers would be as ignoble an evasion of moral responsibility as any country in all history was ever guilty of. It would be a far worse fate for our country than any that has yet been seriously suggested as possible."

RIGA EVACUATED BY CIVILIANS 3 WEEKS, STATES WASHINGTON

Had News of This in Mysterious Dispatches.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 4.—Riga was evacuated by the civilian population and foreign consuls three weeks ago. This was the news contained in the official dispatches surrounded with so much mystery at the time, and over which so much uneasiness was felt.

Official reiteration was made today by Secretary of State Lansing of a confidence in the strength of Russia.

OFFERS TO SETTLE.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 4.—The W. and A. Bacon Company, department store owners, today submitted an offer to settle with creditors on a basis of 33 1-3 cents on the dollar. The Bacon Company took over the premises of the Seigel Company some years ago.