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British Recapture the Town of Ayette German Drive on Amiens is Probable

DETERMINED ENEMY ATTACKS ON BRITISH AND FRENCH POSITIONS

Enemy Hesitating About Continuing Drive But Will Probably Strike Towards Amiens—British Recapture Town of Ayette and Defeat Attacks Around Fampoux—French Enlarge Positions and Take Prisoners—Paris Again Target of Long-Distance Gun.

BRITISH RECAPTURE TOWN OF AYETTE

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
LONDON, April 3.—Today's war office statement says that in successful operations last night the British recaptured the town of Ayette, ten miles south of Arras. The enemy made a determined attack in strong force on British positions in the neighborhood of Fampoux but were repulsed.

GERMANS UNCERTAIN WHERE TO STRIKE

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
LONDON, April 3.—British headquarters despatches report that the Germans are still hesitating where to continue the drive but will likely centre on Amiens. The enemy are digging in south of the Somme.

ATTACKS AGAINST FRENCH FAILED

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
PARIS, April 3.—French war office reports that between the Somme and the Oise there was increasing artillery activity on both sides. Attacks against the French positions between Moreuil and Mully-Removal and north of Rollot failed. The French carried out a local operation on the slopes north of Pleumont in the course of which they enlarged their position appreciably and took prisoners.

CATHEDRAL AT NOYON IS ON FIRE

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
AMSTERDAM, April 3.—A semi-official statement from Berlin says the cathedral at Noyon is on fire and attributes the fact to the French bombardment.

LONG-RANGE BOMBARDMENT OF PARIS IS RESUMED

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
PARIS, April 3.—The Germans resumed their long-range bombardment on Paris this morning.

DESTRUCTIVE TORNADO VISITS MISSOURI

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 3.—This state was swept by tornado last night. Early reports indicate that six persons are dead, many others injured and property damaged to the value of many thousands of dollars.

HUGE QUANTITIES OF MISSILES HURLED FROM SKY

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
LONDON, April 3.—An official statement issued today says more than seventeen tons of bombs were dropped and thousands of rounds fired from the air at the enemy's infantry and other targets during Monday. The enemy's planes were also active, particularly on the southern portion of the British front. Ten hostile planes were destroyed and six others were driven down out of control. Eleven British machines are missing.

FRENCH ALSO RAILED PROJECTILES ON ENEMY

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
PARIS, April 3.—Today's official statement on aviation says that the French squadrons three thirteen tons of projectiles on enemy railways and cantonments at Ham, Chauny, Noyon, etc. March 31st and April 1st. A large fire was observed in the railway station at Chauny. Eight German planes were brought down and two others put out of action in air fights.

CANADIANS EXPECT FURTHER ATTACK AGAINST ARRAS AND VIMY

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
LONDON, April 3.—A despatch from Canadian army headquarters says that all last night and again this morning the Canadians gung battered the enemy's trenches and communications, working much havoc. The despatch adds that indications from the enemy's side point to another attempt against Arras and Vimy Ridge.

TROTSKY BOASTS THAT BOLSHEVIES HAVE CRUSHED ALL ENEMIES

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
PETROGRAD, April 3.—Leon Trotsky, speaking at Moscow, declared the Bolshevik government had crushed all its enemies, but admitted that it could not consider its power lasting owing to the disorganization of the country. He added, however, that the time for reorganization and creative work had arrived.

BOLSHEVIST GOVT. INTRODUCES COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
LONDON, April 3.—A Petrograd despatch says the Bolshevik government has decided to introduce compulsory military service, and also has agreed to discuss a proposal from the central Ukrainian rada of Kiev for concluding peace.

TRADE BETWEEN UKRAINE AND GERMANY IN FORCE

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
LONDON, April 3.—Trade between the Ukraine and Germany, according to a Petrograd despatch, is in full blast. Great stores of bread, it is stated, are being transported from Kiev to Berlin under the direction of the German Commission. In the meantime heavy fighting is proceeding between the forces of the Ukrainian Soviet and the Germans, particularly in the Konotip region and in the region of Khartoff.

GLASS FOUND IN BROOKLYN BREAD

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
NEW YORK, April 3.—It was learned here today that in consequence of many complaints of glass being found in bread and flour the federal food board has ordered the Brooklyn bakeries to discharge all Germans in their employ.

WANTT BOURASSA'S PAPER SUPPRESSED

(Ontario 4 p.m. Special G. N. W. Press Service.)
QUEBEC, April 3.—The Quebec branch of the Great War Veterans' Association passed a resolution last night calling for the suppression of Heri Bourassa's paper, The Devoir.

DESPERATE ATTEMPTS MADE TO OPEN A ROAD TO AMIENS

With the French Army in France, April 3.—The Germans continued their desperate efforts today to open a road toward Amiens, their objective since the starting of the battle, but they made little, if any progress. In fact, the entente allied troops were enabled to recapture the town of Hangard-en-Santerre. Most of the enemy forces were hurled during the course of the day on the British, the French lines on the left being more or less quiet. The first German guard division yesterday suffered a most severe beating at Grivesnes. At 11.20 o'clock in the morning the guards attacked with the greatest fury, and after hours of the closest fighting they succeeded in getting a footing in the village. Two hours later the guards were ejected pell-mell by a magnificent counter-attack at the point of the bayonet. This was not the end, however. The Germans came back again, time after time, preceded by a heavy artillery barrage. In the grounds of the Grivesnes castle the Frenchmen went to meet them and fought them back with bayonets and rifle butts, making them retreat in disorder under a grilling fire from automatic rifles mounted on armored cars. Once more this morning the guards, not satisfied with their defeat yesterday, returned to the assault, but the attack was in vain and the enemy had to seek shelter in his positions, leaving the French the masters of the situation.

In their great race to obtain the communications connecting the north and south at Amiens the Germans had the advantage of knowing exactly where they were going, and when the British and French troops retired before the immense volume of German troops the enemy was again favorably placed for rushing reinforcements from one end of the line to another, owing to the fact that he occupied the inner line of a semi-circle in which the battle was being fought.

Waterworks Had Good Year

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures Show Huge Surplus

The Belleville Waterworks, in a statement of receipts and expenditures for the year ending March 31, 1917, show a very satisfactory financial year. The statement shows a surplus of \$12,500.00 over and above the operating expenses. The statement also shows that the waterworks have a reserve fund of \$100,000.00, which is a very large sum for a small waterworks.

The statement shows that the waterworks have a total receipts of \$35,744.00, and a total expenditures of \$23,244.00. The surplus of \$12,500.00 is the result of the waterworks' efficient management and the cooperation of the public.

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Presentation of "Home Ties"

Excellent Work of Amateurs at Christ Church Parish Hall

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owing to the old company in preferred shares (carrying 8% in the new Rubber Company. There was submitted to the committee for approval the following for the information of the stockholders of the old company. List of Subscribers for the New Belleville Rubber Co.

We, the undersigned, hereby agree to subscribe the amount of stock set forth after our names, being the stock in the new Rubber Company to be formed. The said subscription not to be paid unless the following conditions are first carried out: 1. \$50,000.00 to be subscribed by the residents of Belleville and the near-by counties or friends and other persons subscribing with them. 2. \$50,000.00 to be subscribed by Toronto people and other residents outside of Belleville and the near-by counties.

3. The company is to have a capitalization of \$1,000,000.00 in shares to be \$100.00 par value, 250 of which are to be preferred and 750 of which will be common stock. 4. The stock so subscribed is to be paid as follows: 25 per cent on first call, 25 per cent on second call, not to be less than 30 days after first call, 25 per cent on third call, not to be less than 30 days after first call, and the balance of 25 per cent on the fourth call which is not to be made less than ninety days after the first call. Each subscriber of the said \$100.00 par value of stock is to have preference shares and as a bonus each had a part of the stock in the common stock, one share of common stock. The said subscription is not to be effective and all the shares are to be common stock unless the conditions are met. The company is to be incorporated in the Province of Ontario.

5. Any person holding one share of stock in the old company may have a share of common stock in the new company upon payment of the amount which with the cash character could not have been improved upon. Miss Irma Panter took the part of the city girl with a tendency to flirtation. Her work was excellent. Mrs. Backus played the role of the aunt. Mrs. Blagrove along with Mr. Turner and Miss Bishop provided the humor of the play. The play will be presented again this evening.

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7. The new company will secure from Mr. Mackintosh, his services and the use of his secret process with best of the arrangement now made with him.

Executive Committee:
Dr. Dan Faulkner
G. E. Sine
H. J. Parliament
W. M. Mackintosh, Managing Director.

How About Your Garden?

Editor Ontario:—
Would you please give myself and others, who propose having a garden to help increase the production of food, the following information:—
Has the council or the food resource committee made any arrangements by which citizens can get some one to plough up their garden? We hear people all over the city asking where they can get someone to plough up the soil. No one seems to know. Cannot the council or the resource committee get this information and have it available? Home Gardener.

Editor's Note:—We have made inquiry of Mayor Platt and of Mr. F. Ketcheson in reference to the questions raised by "Home Gardeners" and have been informed that the city teams and men will be available and undertake to plough and harrow wall garden plots as far as application is made to them to do so. The garden plots mentioned are, of course, those not the property of the individual but where gardens is undertaken outside of one's own premises. A nominal charge will be made for the service of the teams so that the privilege will not be abused. Applications may be sent in to the secretary of the Belleville Greater Production League, Mr. F. Brockel, Y.M.C.A. building and he will look after them.

As to the ploughing of gardens, the property of the gardeners, there are a number of teamsters about the city who do this work very satisfactorily for a reasonable wage.

TWELVE HENS AVERAGE \$2.50 EACH

Mr. W. J. Stark, Starkville, sold a crate of twelve hens for the Eastern trade which averaged \$2.50 each. These are some of the best of last year's stock which laid 1,450 doz eggs in last month which is considered pretty fair for a fourth crop of 125 hens. The returns from the eggs and poultry sold last year netted him \$376.72.

Graham Factories Reopen Today

Receipt of Large Orders From the American Government Assure a Busy Season

After being closed down for three months, the Graham evaporating plant in this city and the milk packing plant re-opened this morning with a large staff of operatives. This renewed activity is due to the receipt of some very large orders from the United States Government for dehydrated products. Upon these new orders all the factories of Graham's Limited and allied companies in the United States are now busy. The receipt of the later order has necessitated the re-opening of the evaporating plants in Ontario, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and British Columbia. The main packing plant, which is located here, is now being utilized only for the manufacture of boxes but will in a few days be engaged in putting up the packages as soon as the ingredients begin to arrive. The firm is now buying all the vegetables obtainable in Ontario. There were large crops last year of cabbage, carrots, onions and turnips. It was feared some time ago that there might be some loss, but the fortunate arrival of these orders will enable the Graham Company to utilize the whole vegetable surplus, unless it be of onions.

TO-DAY'S CASUALTIES
Killed—
B. Keller, Bridgewater
Wounded—
R. J. Brockhurst, Belleville
W. N. Lewis, Cobourg
W. G. Hatt, Stirling

A dog which has been in the habit of running at horses on Front St. and creating a general disturbance was caught yesterday and brought to the police station. The dog was a large black and white dog and was very vicious. The owner came to get him out and succeeded on the promise being given that he would be put in a pound. The dog was taken to the pound and will be there for a few days.

Creditors and Shareholders of Mackintosh Rubber Co. Arrive at a Basis of Agreement
The committee representing stockholders and creditors met at the offices of the Rubber Co. Union Bank Building, at 11 a.m. Monday, to discuss ways and means of arriving at a solution of the affairs of the company.

The chair was taken by Col. Marsh. Mr. Mackintosh, Managing Director, explained in detail the proposed reorganization of the new company, which was looked upon with favor by the combined committees. The creditors committee agreed to meet the creditors at an early date to arrange with those who will be willing to take part of their accounts.