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PROBS— Fresh easterly winds; mostly fair and a little warmer; showers in a few localities.

CONVICTS HIT PRISON GUARD THEN ESCAPED

Four Men Made Clean Get-Away From the Central Prison.

TOOK GUN, DROPPED IT

Thought to Have Bordered Freight Train in Parkdale Yards.

Slashing a guard at the Central Prison over the head with a piece of gas pipe and leaving him unconscious, four men escaped from the prison yesterday afternoon and are still at liberty. Their names are Mulhall, Schwier, McLaughlin and Spence. The first three are "repeaters." Mulhall having a bad record all over the province, Spence was serving his first term.

The plan of escape was devised by Mulhall. On the pretext that he wished to replace a pane of glass in the northwest tower he gained permission from the guard to ascend the ladder leading upwards to the top of the stone wall which surrounds the prison. He took glass and putty and mounted to the tower, which is situated on the top of the wall almost directly opposite the city stock yards. Then waiting until the guard was looking the other way he struck him over the head with a length of gas pipe covered with one thickness of canvas. The guard dropped his rifle and fell.

Dropped Over Wall.

When they saw that the way of escape was open Schwier, Spence and McLaughlin, who were watching, made a dash for the wall. All four took the eighteen foot drop from the wall to the cinder road running between the railway tracks and the prison. Mulhall carried the guard's rifle. The prisoners ran toward the Parkdale freight yards, and lost themselves in the labyrinth of cars.

It was not until the guard had regained consciousness at three o'clock that the alarm was raised. Two attendants were immediately despatched to search for the prisoners. Car Service Clerk Howard, Car Service Inspector E. J. Downey, and several factory employees in the neighborhood had seen the men running thru the yard, dressed in the prison garb.

Near the freight office one of the prisoners had stopped and asked one of the switchmen if he wanted a good gun. "All you want will find one in a box car down there," he said. He then ran in the direction the other three had taken.

Thought He Was Joking.

The prison warden of blue and gray is not unlike a laborer's outfit and the switchman thought the man was joking and paid no attention to him. It was the pursuing guards arrived, the C. P. R. officers, and the search was maintained throughout the night.

An employee of the Graham Nail Works said last night that he had seen one of the men on Dufferin street. McLaughlin is known to the police under a variety of names, including the alias "Carman." Spence was in prison for the first time and would have been at liberty within a few weeks.

Warden Was Surprised.

The warden was in the warden of the prison, last night. He was depressed over the success of Mulhall's escape. "You do not like to see a man place blame to too quickly," he said, "but it was a terrible mistake. So long as the human element has to be depended upon there will be mistakes made, I suppose."

Referring to Schwier, he said: "I have a ticket-of-leave on my desk at the present moment for that man. He is young, and of a quiet disposition. He is perhaps the last man you would think of taking such a desperate chance. He first came from Peterboro. I sent him to the farm at Guelph. He ran away. In a short time he was arrested at Tillsonburg and sent down on another charge. He was taken back to Guelph and tried for escaping from the farm. But he behaved well and I commended him before the parole commission and the commission made a recommendation which was approved by the minister of justice, of commencing a large part of the term he received for escaping."

"I received his ticket-of-leave and one various organizations were working to get him a situation, which is exceedingly difficult under the present condition of the labor market. About a month ago, Schwier cut his bars to freedom, and knowing that this would further suspend his ticket-of-leave, he again took this desperate chance this afternoon."

Guard Badly Injured.

The guard which felled the prison guard inflicted a wound three inches long in his scalp. At a late hour last night he was still in a dazed condition and only so able to tell what happened in some sentences. Two weapons were found. Both consisted of gas pipe. One was covered by one thickness of canvas and the other by two. The one about two feet long, and the other somewhat shorter and with the exception of about six inches, is covered by several wrappings of soft wool tied loosely.

GERMANS MET REVERSE ALLIES ELATED

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Enemy's Attempt to Envelop Left Wing Has Evidently Failed.

YPRES IN ALLIES' HANDS

Smashing Blow at Germans North of Arras is Impending.

Canadian Press Despatch.
LONDON, Oct. 14, 9.35 p.m.—While it is fully expected that the Germans will reach Ostend and other ports in the northwest of Belgium, if they have not done so already, they will be met with a very stubborn resistance in their attempt to extend the right wing of their main army thru Pas de Calais to the French northern ports. They have, in fact, fallen back in this region in the face of the allies' offensive.

A few days ago the German cavalry were fighting as far west as Hazebrouck and Cassel, but today, according to the French official communication, issued this afternoon, the front of this battle extends from La Basses thru Estaires to Bailleul, on the Belgian frontier, while across the border the allies have occupied Ypres. This is a very distinct gain for the allies, and shows that the German attempt to work around their left has failed, the German right being bent back towards Lille and Courtrai, both of which places the invaders hold with strong forces.

Able to Reach Ostend.

It is here that the heavy blows, that both sides hope will bring about a decisive result in the long drawn-out battle will be struck, and it is for this reason that the Germans will be able to make their way to Ostend, although even there some troops have been left to inflict what damage they can before joining the larger body farther south.

The censor has prohibited any mention of the operations to the north of Arras, which is probably responsible for the belief that the allies have prevailed.

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TIDE OF BATTLE WITH RUSSIANS ON THE VISTULA

German Attacks Successfully Repulsed and Two Companies Captured.

MAY EVACUATE GALICIA

Russians Likely to Concentrate Forces for Supreme Struggle.

Special Direct Copyrighted Cable to The Toronto World.
PETROGRAD, Oct. 14.—An official statement says:
"The Germans were successfully repulsed yesterday on the River Vistula between Warsaw and Ivanogorod. One Russian regiment captured two German companies."
"It is also reported that fighting is proceeding north of Przemysl. It is estimated that the Russians in the Province of Suwalki took 10,000 prisoners and 40 German guns, besides several maxim guns."
"There are no important changes on the other fronts."

DECISIVE BATTLE ON VISTULA.

Canadian Press Despatch.
LONDON, Oct. 14.—Vienna makes the claim that the Russians have evacuated Lemberg, while the Russians yesterday denied a similar report that they had given up the siege of Przemysl. It would not surprise military men if the Russians withdrew from Galicia to concentrate all their forces for the supreme struggle which, with the advance of the Austro-German armies into Poland, is now upon them along the Vistula River from south of Warsaw to their southern boundary.

Nothing new has come thru concerning the battles on the East Prussian frontier, but the activity of the German fleet in the Baltic and Gulf of Finland may presage the arrival of German reinforcements, which was reported some days ago were being embarked at German Baltic ports.

LEMBERG REPORTED EVACUATED.

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LONDON, Oct. 14.—A despatch from The Hague to a news agency here, says that the Austrian legation there has announced that the Russians have evacuated Lemberg after a fierce fight with the re-formed Austrian army. Lemberg was

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THOUSANDS FLEE FROM OSTEND WHOSE FATE HANGS BY THREAD DECISIVE BATTLE WILL BE THERE

Twenty Thousand Struggling, Starving People Massed on Docks and Terminals of Ostend for Places on Refugee Ships, Their Nights Horrible Nightmares and Their Days Long Hours of Waiting—Germans Only a Few Miles Away—Even Bread is Scarce and Suffering is Terrible Among Women and Children, Many of Whom Were Injured.

Canadian Press Despatch.
OSTEND, Oct. 14, via London, Oct. 15, 12.10 a.m.—Ostend's fate hangs in the balance. The government has left King Albert and the main military headquarters left Tuesday, and 60,000 panic-stricken people await the action of the Germans who are known to have a large force within twenty miles of the city.

The inhabitants are fleeing as fast as ships can be provided to carry them to England; hospitals were emptied to the docks and were lined with injured soldiers. Hundreds were carried on litters, while those less severely wounded hobbled on canes and crutches, supported by Red Cross nurses, doctors, nuns and priests.

The wounded were given preference on the transports provided for the beleaguered city, while 25,000 struggling people were massed upon the docks and terminals in an effort to find a place on the refugee ships.

Aeroplane Spread Terror.

A German taube flew over the harbor and struck terror to those below, many of whom had made their way here from Antwerp in the fear that the aeroplane might attempt to drop bombs on the docks and the great glass sheds which cover the joint terminals of the railways and steamers.

Belgian soldiers guarding the docks opened fire on the aeroplane and continued the fusillade for ten minutes. This created still greater consternation among the thousands of women and children, many of whom had sat for three days on the concrete floor of the great terminal sheds, their nerves a tite breaking point. Escape is cut off from all sides by land, and thousands were still gathered miserably on the docks when the relief ship left late this afternoon. No steamers leave Ostend at night because of the danger from mines. Still the crowds remained on the piers, where they will pass another anxious night, awaiting the dawn and more ships.

Even the refugees who managed to find deck space on the crowded transports were not relieved of the terrible strain under which they have been laboring, for the watchful taube flew over the steamers, carefully observing their movements as they sailed out of the harbor.

The aeroplane did not drop bombs, however, as one of them had on previous days when both civil and military hospitals were so narrowly missed by exploding shells that the Belgians charged that the Germans were aiming at the hospitals.

A Horrible Nightmare.

Last night was a horrible nightmare to the residents of Ostend and the thousands of refugees fleeing before the German invasion. Wounded soldiers were brought here by the scores from Ghent. It is reported that they were engaged Monday near Ghent in a serious battle with the Germans. The allies are said to have had a small force against a large German force and were obliged to withdraw toward the west. Consequently there is virtually no obstacle to the German advance on Ostend.

Firing in the direction of Ghent was heard plainly in Ostend on Monday and Tuesday. The terrified refugees who were at the siege of Antwerp, blanched at the report that the bombardment increased the fear among the residents of Ostend by describing the horrors of that fallen fortress.

Most of the business houses in Ostend closed yesterday and professional men, merchants and hotelkeepers joined the throng which dared not leave the waterfront for fear of losing their places in the ever-growing line of men, women and children clamoring for a chance to escape.

All taxi-cabs and cab horses in Ostend were taken by the army, so there was little means of traveling. The tramcars were commandeered by the hospital corps and their families and friends away in their small boats, which sailed out of the shipping basin in a steady stream loaded down with frightened women and children carrying their personal effects wrapped in tablecloths and blankets.

Belgians Only 20 Miles Away.

The failure of the Germans to arrive at daybreak afforded only a slight relief to the anxious crowds. Rumors were current that German cavalry was less than 20 miles away, and the appearance of the taube in the sky was

Germans Will Attempt to Hack Their Way Thru to Belfort, Strongest of French Border Forts—Decisive Battle Will be Fought in Northern France and Southern Belgium—Enemy's Right Suffered Heavily and Was Forced to Give Up Positions on the Oise—Ypres Taken By the Allies After Bitter Fight—Allies and Belgians Meet.

Canadian Press Despatch.
PARIS, Oct. 15.—(12.01 a.m.)—The exact positions of the bulk of the allied armies are being kept strictly secret, but it is believed that the forces in France and Belgium have joined hands since the fall of Antwerp.

The German cavalry around Hazebrouck, France, which masked a movement of the infantry, had already suffered a rude check from the allies before the battle at Ypres, because the Germans were unable to operate freely in masses, owing to the nature of the ground, where they were virtually at the mercy of the allied infantry and artillery.

FIERCE STREET FIGHTING.

Some lively street fighting occurred in Hazebrouck, on which place the Germans had made a daring raid, while at Arras the town hall was burned to the ground during a bombardment.

A portion of the line where the encounters have been the severest has suddenly changed from Roye to Lassigny, where the Germans had tried to make a breach thru the allies.

The battle, however, is still progressing there, and Roye has been taken and retaken at least twelve times.

ALLIES HAVE TAKEN YPRES.

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LONDON, Oct. 14.—Ypres, Belgium, the storm centre of a furious battle during the past three days, has fallen into the hands of the allies. French and British troops are known to have been on the fighting line at this point, and it is also stated that a detachment of Belgians took part in the bitterly fought engagement. The town is ten miles from the French border, and constituted an important link in the German advance westward. The conflict at Ypres is said to have extended as far as Ghent, where considerable German forces were reported yesterday. The disposition of troops on either side cannot be accurately told.

After varying success and many charges of infantry and cavalry, fresh mounted troops of the French came up from the border line, and in a sanguinary set-to drove the Germans out of town.

VON KLUK FALLING BACK.

A good part of General Von Kluk's army is reported to be falling back in the vicinity of Lille. The German right wing suffered heavily today, and was forced to give up strong positions along the River Oise. The same is true of the situation around Berry-au-Bac, where a battle was in progress for the better part of the day. Great manoeuvres are under way on both sides, and it seems that a decisive battle must be fought in the extreme north of France and southern Belgium.

BRITISH OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

The official press bureau tonight issued the following statement: "British troops have been engaged with the enemy towards the left of the allied line, in France, with the result that the Germans have been pressed back slightly on their flank. The nature of the country in which the fighting has been conducted, being a mining centre, makes rapid progress difficult."

FRENCH OFFICIAL STATEMENTS.

The official communication issued tonight by the French War Office says: "The reports received tonight, which are in very general terms, indicate no important modification in the situation."

The French War Office this afternoon issued a long communique which covers operations very comprehensively, and at the same time emphatically denies reports current in the German press and propagated from German sources:

"In Belgium several engagements took place on the nights of the 12th and 13th, in the vicinity of Ghent. On the 13th some Anglo-French troops occupied Ypres."

"On our left wing, as far as the Oise, the military operations continue without incident. In the centre the progress of our troops in the region of Berry-au-Bac is confirmed."

"On our right wing there is nothing new."

OSTEND IS NOT FORTIFIED.

The country in either direction is flat and unsuited to purposes of defence. Nor is Ostend fortified. One despatch says that only a small British and Belgian force continues in the city. It is known that King Albert has left with the major portion of his troops, but for what destination is carefully concealed. Bruges, a short distance from Ostend and Dunkirk, and Calais, over the French border, are all encompassed in a circle, which is undoubtedly the object of the German advance known to be at Ghent and halted today at Ypres. German forces from both Antwerp and the German right and centre are concerned in this movement.

MARCHING ON BELFORT.

The report that the kaiser's generals will attempt to hack their way thru at Belfort, and that big guns from the lines before Antwerp are now en route to that point, are coming in from several sources. A despatch from Copenhagen which bears on this subject is supposed to be founded on unquestionable sources of information at Belgium. According to this despatch, the French forces at Belfort, greatest of France's border forts, and defended by picked troops, are clearing the country for miles around of every tree and house in order to leave no shelter for the German assaulting columns. The same message declares that every available man is being brought up to undertake the investment of the fortress.

Altho the prestige of fortifications is almost gone by reason of the quick fall of Antwerp, and the not overly long siege of Liege, the works at Belfort are undoubtedly among the best in the world. They represent the very acme of French engineering genius, and military authorities here predict great surprises for the kaiser's legions when they come into position at that point. It is remembered that the Germans were unable to take Belfort in 1870, and its defences are now incomparably stronger and more perfect than at that time.

Belfort is just fifteen miles from Altkirch and twenty miles from Muhlhausen, both taken by French troops in the early days of the war and subsequently evacuated.

CONTINGENT IS GUARD LED MEN INTO AN AMBUSH

AT PLYMOUTH

Bands Played "Maple Leaf" as Canadian Transports Entered Harbor—Will Disembark Today.

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LONDON, Thursday, Oct. 15.—The first contingent of Canadian troops arrived at Plymouth yesterday. Their coming was not generally known, but the news spread quickly, and crowds soon assembled at every vantage point to cheer the colonials.

As the ships bearing the men from the land of the maple leaf majestically steamed thru Plymouth Sound, where they were moored to buoys in midstream, the Canadian troops seemed in high spirits. The bands on the transports played with martial crash of brass; the decks were soon crowded with the soldiers, and all broke into rousing cheers, which were answered ashore with the vigorous waving of hats and sticks.

The officers and men are in excellent health.

On entering the harbor the Royal Garrison Artillery band played the "Red, White and Blue" and the "Maple Leaf," while the sound of the bagpipes was much in evidence.

A few officers came ashore for a short time last night.

All the troops will be landed today partly at Plymouth.

Whole Brigade Was Attacked, But Retreated in Good Order After Heavy Loss.

(By Charles Hodson, Central News and Toronto World Special Correspondent.)

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OSTEND, Oct. 14.—The allied forces east of Ghent met a somewhat heavy reverse Sunday morning. They had been fighting all day Saturday, when heavy German artillery compelled them to evacuate.

During the night retreat, one brigade, led along the wrong road by a treacherous guide, was ambushed and suffered considerable losses. The retreat, however, continued in good order toward Thourout, where the fighting was resumed Monday and Tuesday.

The Germans are now bringing up large reinforcements and making the fullest use of their big guns.

Men! Dress According to the Season.

The well groomed man is most particular on this point. His suits and hats are worn at the correct season as it comes round. Dineen's, 140 Yonge street, tell us that the "hat of the moment" with the smartest men is the stiff Derby, as shown in illustration. They are of larger dimensions than formerly—crowns are higher and brims a slightly broader.

On sides, Dineen's carry a roll of choice, including hats from Heath, London, England, and Christy, London, England. They are Toronto agents for Heaths. Their hats are \$4; those of Christy's make \$2.50 and \$3. Make your choice today. You should certainly have one of these Derbys now.

Maudie Adams' Engagement.

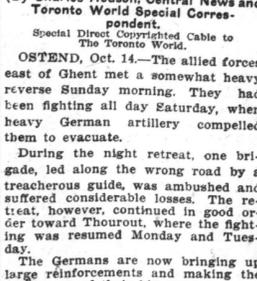
It is doubtful if there ever was an actress who possessed the charm of Maudie Adams, the talented lady who will be seen here at the Princess Theatre next week in J. M. Barrie's new play, "The Legend of Leonora," seats for which go on sale today.

SERVIANS SILENCED GUNS OF AUSTRIANS

Violent Engagement on Drina River Ended in Servian Success.

Canadian Press Despatch.
PARIS, Oct. 14, 11 p.m.—A despatch to the Havas Agency from Nish, dated October 13 says:
"Yesterday on the front between Svrnik and Losnitza the enemy began a violent artillery fire on the Servian left wing. The Austrian fire was rapidly silenced by the Servian artillery."

Svrnik is a Bosnian town on the Drina River, 50 miles northeast of Sarajevo. It is almost on the boundary line between Bosnia and Servia. Losnitza is 10 miles northeast of Svrnik, in Servia.



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