

Very Few Developments Over Sunday In North End Murder Mystery And No Arrests Have Been Made

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ESSEX VILLAGES VICTIMS OF GERMAN AIR RAID; HEAVY FIGHTING RAGES IN CENTRAL ROUMANIA

MAN WHO WAS SEEN RUNNING ON LANSDOWNE AVENUE ON NIGHT OF MURDER KNOWN

He is George A. Apt, North End Grocer Who After Alighting from Street Car Ran All the Way to His Home on That Thoroughfare.

CITIZEN WHO STOOD ON CORNER OF ELM STREET WAS INSURANCE MAN

He Knew Nothing of Crime — Many Rumors of Arrests Which Were in Circulation Sunday Unfounded—Tragedy Still Grim Mystery.

The only new development in the North End murder mystery came to light yesterday, when The Standard learned from George A. Apt, a prominent North End grocer, that he is the much sought after man who was seen running past those working at an automobile on Lansdowne avenue the night of the murder. The only reason that Mr. Apt gives for not informing the police before this, is that he did not care to get mixed up in the case in any way.

Mr. Apt says it was 11:15 o'clock when he ran along the avenue as he was in a hurry to get home where his mother was residing alone. He thought nothing of the occurrence until the next day when he learned of the murder, and later learned that a man had been seen running along the street. Publicity appears to be the only reason the information was not given sooner. Mr. Apt was a particular friend of the murdered man, and conducted considerable business with him.

A paper on Saturday mentioned that two citizens passed a man leaning against the pole by the Williams store on the night of the murder shortly before 11:30 o'clock, that they recognized the man, and on speaking to him received the answer. It was suggested that this might help to throw some light on the dastardly crime.

The police have investigated this story, and it turns out that it has nothing whatever to do with the murder. The man in question is in the insurance business, and happened to be in the North End that night with a friend. When interviewed by the police he said he was standing at the Williams corner waiting for a street car to convey him to the city where he resided. It was not shortly before 11:30 o'clock that he was standing there, but was just 10:55 o'clock, and he took the first car that came along running towards the East End. The friend whom the man stated he had been with was also interviewed, and it was found the man's statement was correct.

It is quite true that on the night of the murder, Harry L. Williams was seen on Main street, but it was two hours or more before his lifeless body was found in the store.

Two citizens who were passing along the street saw Mr. Williams in conversation with another man near a fence adjoining Alexander McEwen's fruit and confectionery store, almost opposite the Temple of Honor Hall. At the time Mr. Williams was resting one arm on the fence, and when spoken to by the two gentlemen he answered their salutation. This happened just before ten o'clock, and there is nothing whatever in the fact to cause the police to connect it with the murder.

When asked last night if anything had turned up to throw any light on the murder, Chief of Police Simpson said there were really no new developments. Every rumor heard by him, and there are a great many, is being followed up, but the mystery that surrounds the case is as deep as ever. There have been no arrests made, and no suspicion has been cast on any person as connected with the crime.

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DESPERATE FIGHTING IN ROUMANIA

Strong Teuton Attack Repelled, But Russians and Ally Retire Later.

RUSSIANS SMASH ENEMY ELSEWHERE

Roumanians Forced to Retire Along Moshoreli Road and to Ocna.

Petrograd, Aug. 12.—Desperate engagements are being fought by the Russo-Roumanian forces and Austro-German armies all along the Roumanian front. In the center of the front, according to today's official statement, the Russians and Roumanians yesterday repulsed strong Teuton attacks along the Fokshani Marascehti railway, then counter-attacked and captured 1,300 Germans, only to retire later in the evening. In the south-eastern Moldavia, the Russians took the offensive, smashed the Teuton lines and captured a number of prisoners and four guns. In western Moldavia, the Austro-Germans, after battles of great intensity, forced the Roumanians to retire to Ocna.

The text of the Russian statement follows: "Stubborn Attacks. "Roumanian front: In the region of the Upper Dobra river and north of the Dorjina river, fighting continues with various success. A west of the Ocna-Grozeeni line during the whole of yesterday battles of great intensity took place. The Austro-Germans launched stubborn attacks, chiefly in the direction of Ocna. Towards evening the Roumanians were forced to retire to Ocna, along the Moshoreli road and to the west of Grozeeni.

"In the direction of Fokshani the Austro-Germans launched stubborn attacks along the Fokshani-Mara railroad line. Our troops and the Russians, in spite of the considerable superiority of enemy forces, stubbornly defended their position and made counter-attacks during which about 1,300 German prisoners were captured. Towards evening, under strong pressure of enemy forces our troops and the Roumanians retired to the villages of Marascehti and Purzeleni.

"In the region of the mouth of the River Buzo our troops having assumed the offensive, captured as the result of their rapid onslaught, part of the enemy's positions taking a number of prisoners, four cannon and eight machine guns."

Berlin's Claims. Berlin, Aug. 12, via London.—Field Marshal Von Mackensen's forces in the fighting in Central Roumania, yesterday, took more than 5,700 Russian and Roumanian prisoners and captured 18 cannon and 61 machine guns. The German general staff reports that the Austro-Germans did not lose a foot of ground.

Ottawa, Aug. 12. Infantry Killed in action: F. A. Weldon, Greenwich, N. B. Corporal A. L. Steeves, River Glade, N. B. E. S. Davis, St. John. Wounded: H. E. Scott, Hammond Vale, N. S. Lance Corporal S. Kempton, Harmony, N. S. G. D. Roberts, Clavenden Station. Corporal H. Barker, Yarmouth, N. S. E. H. Crouse, Middleton, N. S. F. Barton, St. John. Wounded: Driver F. MacDonald, Southampton, N. B. Services. Wounded: Sergeant S. W. Jewett, Marguerite, N. B.

MORE JAPANESE AID. London, Aug. 11.—Additional Japanese naval units have joined the allied forces operating in allied waters. It is believed that the capture of the steamer and four of the armed guards are prisoners on board the German submarine.

PROHIBITORY BILL READ A THIRD TIME

Another Step to Amend Doherty Act to Aid Provincial Legislation.

MUCH TRAFFIC STILL EXISTS

Bill to Place C. G. R. Under Control of Railway Commission.

Ottawa, Aug. 12.—Hon. Frank Cochrane's bill to amend the government railways act, the purpose of which is to bring the I. C. R. and other government railways under the control of the board of railway commissioners, passed through committee at Saturday's sitting of the Commons and stands for third reading. An amendment proposed by Mr. J. J. Hughes of Prince Edward Island that the act should not apply until the Prince Edward Island Railway gauge had been standardized was lost on division.

Insurance Provision. Hon. C. J. Doherty moved the second reading of a bill to amend the criminal code respecting insurance. The bill provides that it should be an indictable offence punishable by fine or imprisonment for anyone to solicit or carry on a business of insurance unduly licensed by the minister of finance. Penalty ranging from \$20 to \$50 for the first offence and from \$100 to \$100 for the second offence together with imprisonment of from one to three months in default of payment.

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BRITISH WIN MINE CRATER NEAR LENS

Attempted Enemy Raid South of Armentieres Successfully Repulsed.

PORTUGUESE DO GOOD FIGHTING Saturday Night Weather in Flanders Was Wet and Stormy. London, Aug. 12.—The British official communication issued this evening says: "The number of prisoners captured in the successful attack of the 10th and in subsequent operations east of Ypres, has reached a total of 454, including nine officers. In the same operations we also captured six German guns."

"An attempted enemy raid this morning south of Armentieres was successfully repulsed by the Portuguese with bombs and rifle fire. "In spite of repeated storms and strong westerly winds, which greatly favored the enemy, our airplanes carried out much successful work yesterday. In air fighting three German machines were downed, and four others were driven down out of control. Two of our airplanes were forced to land behind the enemy line and three other British machines are missing."

London, Aug. 12.—Last night the weather on the battle front in Flanders was wet and stormy. Fighting

TEUTONS GIVEN MORE GAS BY CANADIANS

German Masks Do Not Seem to Be Very Effective Protection.

BIG AIR RAID MADE ON BELGIAN FRONT

Great Increase in Use of Searchlights and Anti-Aircraft Guns.

Canadian Headquarters in France, via London, Aug. 12.—By Stewart Lyon, Special Correspondent of the Canadian Press.—Gas was again projected successfully early this (Sunday) morning into the enemy positions in the northern part of St. Laurent, where many dugouts and occupied cellars were known to be. A prisoner, who was captured on this part of the front, says that the recent gas attack resulted in over ninety casualties to men of his battalion alone. The German mask does not seem to be a very effective protection. Chemists of Germany are constantly experimenting in new and more deadly forms of gas.

Air Warfare Continues. The war of aeroplanes continues on an ever-increasing scale. The number of machines engaged in night raids is growing, and aviators are using machine guns freely. In a raid into Belgium by airmen on this front 27 machines took part. The Germans used 36 machines in a raid undertaken on the same day. The result of all this is a great increase in the use of searchlights and anti-aircraft guns of various sorts.

An uncanny effect is produced by the searchlights turned upon every bit of cloud that comes sweeping over at a low altitude and that may provide concealment for "the terror that flies by night." To their other activities our aviators add the pursuit of motor convoys in enemy territory. On Friday an airman, by firing on a group of lorries, caused the leading lorry to swerve and crash into a tree. The artillery and trench mortars, our own and the enemy's were very active all along the front today.

BARNES WILL ENTER CABINET PROBABLY

Will Likely Succeed Arthur Henderson as Labor Representative.

London, Aug. 12.—George Nicoll Barnes, minister of pensions, who has attended the meetings of the war cabinet since Arthur Henderson started on his mission to Russia, probably will succeed Mr. Henderson as labor representative in the war cabinet. The press agencies say that other labor ministers in the government unanimously opposed Mr. Henderson's course and that labor's support of the government is not likely to be affected by his resignation.

London, Aug. 12.—The Intrepidity of Captain William Bishop, a Canadian, and a member of the Royal Flying Corps, in attacking a German airfield single-handed, has been rewarded by the bestowal upon him of the Victoria Cross, the most prized of the British valor medals.

Twenty-Three Persons Killed And Fifty Injured By German Air Raid on Southend, Essex

Nine of Dead Were Women and Six Children—Considerable Damage Done to Property by Nearly Forty Bombs Dropped Upon Town Yesterday.

At Rochford Two Men Were Injured and at Margate Four Bombs Were Dropped—French Bombard Frankfort-on-the-Main in Reprisal for Hun Raids.

London, Aug. 12.—Twenty-three persons, including nine women and six children, were killed and fifty persons were injured at Southend, in Essex, forty miles east of London, by bombs dropped by German raiders today, says an official statement issued tonight. Considerable damage to property was caused at Southend by the nearly forty bombs dropped upon the town. Two men were injured at Rochford, but four bombs dropped on Margate, in Kent did little damage. The latest statement follows: "Enemy raiders caused considerable damage at Southend where they dropped about forty bombs. The casualties thus far reported are: "Killed, eight men, nine women, six children; about fifty people were injured."

"At Rochford two men were injured but no damage is reported. At Margate four bombs were dropped. One uninhabited house was demolished but there were no casualties."

FRENCH ARMY RETAKES ITS LOST GROUND

Two German Attacks in Aisne Region Repulsed With Heavy Losses.

GERMAN TERRITORY BOMBED BY FRENCH Brisk Fighting Results in the French Army Recapturing Trenches.

Paris, Aug. 11.—French troops last night resumed their counter-attacks against the positions which the Germans had captured on the night of Aug. 9-10, north of St. Quentin. The French official statement, issued this afternoon, said the Germans previous loss was re-conquered in its entirety. "South of Aisne, in the Aisne region, two strong German attacks on the trenches captured earlier by the French were repulsed with heavy casualties. There were no infantry actions on the French front in Belgium."

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ST. MARTINS MAN, THRICE WOUNDED, FOR CONSCRIPTION

Sergt. J. S. Allaby, Canadian War Hospital, Walmer, England, who is recovering from wounds received in France in May, writing to friends July 15 says "My wounds are nearly well I am almost ready for the Hun again, I hope Canada has conscription. The boys at home need a few months in the trenches. They would then realize a war is on."

Sergt. Allaby was the first St. Martins boy to enlist and has been wounded three times. He is the youngest son of E. R. Allaby, St. Martins.

FIVE KILLED BY EXPRESS

Automobile Party Struck by International Limited Near Bowmanville, Ont.

Bowmanville, Ont., Aug. 12.—Five persons were instantly killed and another injured when the International Limited (G. T. R.) struck an automobile yesterday evening at what is known as "Wharf Road," about 300 yards east of Bowmanville station. Six persons, five men and one woman, were riding in the automobile, which was driven by Herman Fletcher, of this town.

The dead: Mrs. Frank Walker, Toronto. James McNoy, married, Oshawa. Wm. Johnston, single, Oshawa. Herman Fletcher, married, Oshawa. The sixth person in the auto, Mr. Frank Walker, whose wife was killed, jumped and escaped with his life.

STANDARD OIL CO.'S STEAMER IS SUNK

Campania Sent to Bottom by Submarine and Several Men Probably Prisoners.

Washington, Aug. 12.—The navy department today, through the committee on publication, issued the following statement: "The Standard Oil tanker Campania, American steamer, was sunk by a submarine on the morning of Aug. 6, one hundred and forty miles west of Madeira, forty-seven survivors reached land in safety. It is believed that the captain of the steamer and four of the armed guards are prisoners on board the German submarine."

MORE JAPANESE AID. London, Aug. 11.—Additional Japanese naval units have joined the allied forces operating in allied waters. It was officially announced by the admiralty this afternoon.

CASUALTIES

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