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ALLIES DRIVE AGAIN ON FOE IN FLANDERS

SNOWSHOE POLLING FOR THE DOMINION IS NOW OPINION AT THE CAPITAL

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Aug. 16.—Canada is going to have a snow-shoe election. It is recognized now that there is little hope for voting in September. The decision of the Government to extend to a month the time between nomination and polling makes impossible a harvest election. The best that can be done is to fix the date early in November, and hope for December. Parliament ceases to exist on October 7th, but the Government continues, and will have money to carry on affairs until the 1st of April, if it wishes to do so.

Must Have Mandate.
However, it is not thought that the Administration will care to challenge the attention of the country by carrying on for five months without mandate or Parliament to back them. The time is regarded as too long, and the conditions throughout the world too critical for Canada to be without a Parliament when the Dominion may be invited to give views on peace proposals or share in some other great decision of the world.

RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT FAVORS THE SOCIALIST CONFERENCE; RULING IS NOT TO BE BINDING

Kerensky Declares Obstacles To Meet Strengthen Germany's Hand.

London, Aug. 16.—Premier Kerensky's statement regarding the Stockholm peace conference has made a strong impression in London, and it may materially influence the British Government's policy. The Manchester Guardian says the situation may change rapidly, and that the reasons for the Government's opposition to the conference may disappear. The newspaper also says that the wishes of the Russian Government should be decisive.

London, Aug. 16.—A dispatch to the Daily News from Petrograd says that Premier Kerensky denied that he told Albert Thomas, Socialist member of the French war council, that he personally opposed the Stockholm Socialist conference. On the contrary, he thought it very important, though it would have been more important if held when the Russians were advancing instead of under present conditions. He declared that any opposition to the conference by the Allied Governments, and any difficulties put in the way of the delegates, was simply playing into the hands of the Germans.

NOT BINDING.
Petrograd, Aug. 15.—The Russian Government does not desire to place any obstacles against Socialist participation in the Stockholm conference, according to a statement issued today from an authoritative source in regard to the reports in foreign newspapers concerning the Government's attitude towards the conference. The statement, which is issued through the semi-official news agency, says: "The Government considers that the solution of questions affecting war and peace appertains exclusively to it in union with the allied countries. The Stockholm conference, as pointed out hitherto, is one of particular political parties and as such cannot claim to place any obstacles against the participation of Socialists in the conference."

No Passport Refusals.
The Government has always been firm in refusing passports to Socialists, believing that questions concerning war and peace may be submitted for discussion to the Socialist international. The prime minister and foreign minister have informed the allied Governments that the provisional Government does not consider it desirable to place any obstacles against the participation of Socialists in the conference. The statement concludes by saying that the Government does not deny the political bearing of the conference, but holds that decisions formed at it must not be of a character belonging to the Government.

LONDON LINEMAN KILLED AT EXETER



THE LATE ED. HARDY.

FRANCE AND ITALY HAVE SMALL LOSSES FOR WEEK BY SUBS

Four French and Eleven Italian Vessels Sent To Bottom.

Paris, Wednesday, Aug. 15.—The weekly report of shipping losses, gives one steamship of more than 1,000 tons and three of smaller size as having been sunk in the week ended August 12, out of 1,910 arrivals and 1,028 clearances at French ports. Five French vessels were attacked unsuccessfully by submarines.

ITALY'S LOSSES LIGHT.
Rome, Aug. 15.—The Italian merchant marine losses for the week ending August 12 comprise six steamers and five sailing vessels, one of the latter being above 100 tons. Five hundred and fifty vessels of all nationalities, of a tonnage of 329,345, entered port, and 609, of a tonnage of 414,775 left.

CHINESE TAKE CASH AND SHIPS OF HUNS

London, Aug. 15.—The Chinese Government, a Reuters dispatch from Peking says, is arranging for the prompt liquidation of the German Asiatic Bank. Five officials of the foreign office have been appointed to take over the accounts and cash here and in the Shanghai, Canton, Tientsin and Hankow branches. The vessels include several small warships.

ALLEGED SARNIA SLAYER CAUGHT AT PORT HURON

Alex. Zanzow Brought Back and Remanded for Trial.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Sarnia, Aug. 15.—Although he escaped the dragnet spread by the local police Wednesday night, Alex. Zanzow, the young Russian who is alleged, stabbed and killed Frank Smith, a fellow-countryman, was arrested by the Port Huron police about 4 o'clock this morning and is now lodged in the cells at the police station. Upon receipt of the message from the Port Huron police, that they had captured a man talking with the description sent out, Chief of Police J. Forbes and Officer Smith and Lampel went to that city, identified the prisoner and brought him into custody, where he was thoroughly cross-examined and questioned, and was remanded for one week for trial.

The three other Russians, Sidas Ostapenko, Steve Scripuk and Wasel Spruss, were also remanded as witnesses, no bail being accepted. Zanzow is said to have crossed the river by swimming with the aid of two boards, thus escaping the local searching parties. An inquest was commenced by Coroner Leslie this morning, but was adjourned until Tuesday, August 21, after the jury had viewed the remains.

Smith's body was found in the bush on the Sarnia Indian reserve, bearing knife wounds.

LANGEMARCK TAKEN BY BRITISH TROOPS

London, Aug. 16.—Premier Lloyd George announced in the House of Commons today that the troops of Field Marshal Haig had captured Langemarck. The premier said Field Marshal Haig had telegraphed that 1,200 prisoners had been taken, and that five guns had been captured by noon today.

The premier said: "Germany now is barely able to hold her own—not even that."

ESKIMO MURDERERS CLAIM MURDER WAS CAUSED BY QUARREL

Confession Says They Were Threatened by Priests, Whom They Slew.

Edmonton, Alta., Aug. 15.—The feature of the murder trial of the two Eskimos, Sinislaak and Uluksuk, yesterday was the confession which was put in evidence by the crown prosecutor, C. C. McCaul, K.C. It was made by Sinislaak. He said he was at the Copper Mine River and that Father Leroux asked him to pull his sleigh at it when the priests came. Father Leroux was angry, said the confession, and when asked if he was going to kill them nodded his head. After some further quarrelling they became frightened and Sinislaak stabbed the priest in the back with a knife, and Uluksuk finished him. Father Leroux, the narrative continues, ran away, and Sinislaak took the sleigh from the sleigh and shot the fleeing priest. With the aid of an axe and a knife they both killed him. They then cut up the bodies, eating the liver.



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PONTIFF'S NOTE INSPIRED BY CENTRAL POWERS, SAYS LONDON, WOULD MEAN A GERMAN PEACE

Vatican's Proposals Impossible of Acceptation, Is the Opinion at British Capital, and Washington Holds a Similar View.

London, Aug. 15.—The text of the papal peace note does not remove the adverse impression produced here by the publication of its summary. On the contrary, it strengthens the conviction that the note is inspired by the Central Powers, and the opinion is that its proposals are impossible. The editorialists express much respect for the pope and his profession of perfect impartiality, but regard him unable to appreciate the matter at issue.

The Times says the Allies are bound to reject this plan of settlement, which proves more pro-German and more anti-ally than the summary. The peace he proposes would be a German peace, and it is impossible to read the scheme without a suspicion that the note itself and the choice of the moment of its issue are the outcome of German inspiration. The Allies, continues the Times, have the same view of the pope's note as the Vatican. It cannot be attained by the means he advocates, but only by a victory in the field.

SOUNDS LIKE BARGAIN.
Paris, Aug. 15.—Pope Benedict's new peace proposition, the Temps says, shows that the pontiff is faithful to his principles and is presenting it as a transaction subject to bargaining. The intervention of the United States and the failure of the submarine war, the Temps says, have definitely taken from the Hohenzollerns all hope of dictating peace and under these conditions the Austrian Government has more reason than ever for desiring an immediate end of the war.

WILL BE REJECTED, WASHINGTON VIEW

Washington, D. C., Aug. 15.—The text of Pope Benedict's peace note, received here early today in cabled dispatches from London, discloses that it does not differ from the unofficial outline previously received. The foundation stones of the pope's proposals for ending the war are reduction of armaments, freedom of the seas, settlement of all international disputes by arbitration, and that there shall be no retaliatory struggle for economic world supremacy after the war.

No Official Comment.
Publication here today for the text of the pope's proposals and allied diplomats opportunity to make a clearer study of the Vatican's move for peace than was possible from the advance outline. Officials, while evincing much interest, refrained from making any comment pending receipt of the official text of the note.

BRITISH AND FRENCH SMASH ENEMY AGAIN IN FLANDERS; GAINING ALONG WIDE FRONT

FRENCH PUSH OVER RIVER IN NEW DASH AGAINST FOE

Heavy Blow Struck at Crown Prince Rupprecht's Forces in Belgium.

British Front in France and Belgium, Aug. 16.—(By the Associated Press)—10 a.m.—Forces of the Entente Allies at daybreak today began another drive against the troops of Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria along a wide front from a point opposite Polygon Wood, east of Ypres, to the left of the French positions on the northward. In the first onslaught the right flank of the French surged across the Steenbeke River, and at the same time the left wing pushed forward correspondingly.

These meagre facts represent the total news at this hour from the zone of the new offensive, with the exception that the French already have counted a hundred prisoners.

MONTREAL CRIPPLE RID OF CRUTCHES BY ST. ANNE MIRACLE

Leg Diseased Sixteen Months Completely Cured by Visit To Statue.

Quebec, Aug. 15.—Weeping for joy, walking quite freely on a leg that was diseased since sixteen months, Edmond Bouchard, 39, married and living at 404 Allard street, Edmund Ward, Montreal, returned to Quebec yesterday evening from St. Anne De Beaupre, using his sick leg, after having left his crutches at the foot of the Statue of the Miraculous Saint. To the Canadian Press Mr. Bouchard yesterday evening related his story. He is a cement polisher at the Canada Car Works, and sixteen months ago sustained a double fracture of the right leg through a 1,000-pound brace for the Maisonneuve drydock falling on him. He says he underwent operations both at the Western and at the Notre Dame Hospitals, and was under the care of the best specialists in Montreal. He says that at the last operation he underwent his anklebone was removed and that he was five months with his leg stretched on a chair.

All the officers and deck hands on the Canada Line steamer Quebec testify to having seen Mr. Bouchard coming on board from Montreal, walking miserably on his crutches and that yesterday evening he came back aboard without his crutches, and walking quite freely on his sick leg. Mr. Bouchard left yesterday for his home in Montreal.

EMMELINE PANKHURST IN TROUBLE AT MELBOURNE

London, Aug. 15.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Melbourne says that Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the suffragette, while attempting to make a speech at Adelaide, fought the police and was arrested. Assemblies in Parliament precincts are prohibited.

WOUNDED U. S. SOLDIERS HAVE REACHED ENGLAND

London, Aug. 15.—According to the Daily News some wounded American soldiers from the western front have just arrived at the hospital at Bath.

Haig and Petain Attacked Early Today East And Northeast of Ypres—British Report Progress Made, and French All First Objectives Taken—Latter Also Advance In Aisne Sector.

London, Aug. 16.—Troops of the Entente Allies in Flanders attacked the German positions today on a wide front east and north of Ypres, in Belgium. The official report of Field Marshal Haig says that progress is being made.

The text of the statement, which was timed 12:11 p.m., reads:

"At 4:45 o'clock this morning the Entente allied troops again attacked on a wide front east and north of Ypres."

"Heavy fighting is taking place, but progress is being made at all points in spite of the stubborn resistance of the enemy."

"On the Lens battlefield three more counter-attacks made by the enemy last night against our positions were repulsed. A hostile concentration in the neighborhood of Cite St. Auguste was broken up by our artillery."

FRENCH TAKE ALL OBJECTIVES.

Paris, Aug. 16.—French troops in Belgium, attacking early today in conjunction with the British on both sides of the road between Steenstraete and Dixmude, captured all their objectives and crossed the Steenbeke River, the war office announced today. Further progress is being made along the river.

The French made an attack on the Aisne and captured German trenches on a front of one kilometre. Four German counter-attacks were repulsed.

ATTACKED AT DAWN.

The statement follows: "In Belgium, after violent and most thorough artillery preparation, we made an attack at dawn this morning in conjunction with the British army on our right. With superb spirit our infantry made the assault on the enemy positions on both sides of the road between Steenstraete and Dixmude, capturing all objectives and crossing the Steenbeke. Our troops are making progress on the right bank in contact with our allies."

A VIGOROUS ATTACK.
"South of Aisne a vigorous attack made us master of a system of trenches on a front of one kilometre, which was held strongly by the enemy. Four German counter-attacks on our new positions were repulsed easily, and 120 prisoners, one of them an officer, have been counted. In the region of the Hurtelise Monument we also made progress, taking a score of prisoners."

"In the Champagne and on both banks of the Meuse heavy artillery fighting continued. We made a surprise attack near Louvemont, taking seven prisoners. There is nothing of importance to report on the remainder of the front."

AIRPLANES ACTIVE.

"Our bombing airplanes last night and this morning, threw many bombs on enemy establishments north and east of the Houthulst forest, and also on the railway station at Lichterveld."

"During our attack in the region of Aisne and Hurtelise our aviators were not deterred by the bad weather from flying very close to the ground as our infantry moved forward, and turning their machine guns on the shelters and reserves of the enemy."

GREAT BATTLE RAGING.

Berlin, Aug. 16.—The German statement says that in Flanders a second great battle has burst forth, the British infantry attacking the German positions on an eleven-mile front.

'WETS' TRY TO WRECK THE B. C. GOVERNMENT

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 16.—Trevor Keene, a farmer of Cobble Hill, Vancouver Island, today issued a writ against the Government taking the ground that H. C. Brewster is wrongfully premier and that the legislature is ultra vires. The "wets" are alleged to be behind Keene's suit, which the "drys" claim is designed to tie up the enforcement of prohibition by means of an injunction.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Toronto Youth Meets Instant Death During Storm in Quebec.

Quebec, Que., Aug. 15.—Stanley Davidson, 17 years old, an electric student of Toronto University, was instantly killed by lightning in the storm here yesterday. He was visiting his uncle, Tyson Davidson, and was standing in the backyard with a pitchfork in his hand when struck. The body will be removed to Toronto today.

ENERGETIC WESTERN ONTARIO PEOPLE WHO ARE BOOSTING THE ADVERTISER

Let the End of the Race Take Care of Itself—Make This Your Banner Week—Special Prize Automobile and Best Vote Offer Closes Saturday Night.



Another group of active candidates in The London Advertiser's \$16,000 Prize Contest. Each is bending every effort in the final drive, for all realize the last special prize and best vote offer is on and that, in order to win, every advantage must be taken of the 50,000 extra votes which are given for each \$15 worth of new subscriptions turned in by 8:30 p.m. Saturday night. Reading from left to right, they are—Dave Stirling, District No. 3; Mrs. Mary Safford, District No. 7; Miss Ina Hudson, District No. 3; Miss Lily McIntyre, District No. 3; Miss Pearl Clow, District No. 2; Miss Lily Wray, District No. 1; Mrs. J. W. Manning, District No. 7; Mrs. Nettress, District No. 1; Miss Gladys Beech, District No. 2; Miss Gladys Gower, District No. 1; Mrs. James Boulton, District No. 2; Miss Gladys Osgood, District No. 6; Mrs. J. A. Johnston, District No. 7; Stewart Robertson, District No. 7; Miss Sadie Robinson, District No. 7; M. S. Copland, District No. 6. It is time for action, candidates. Don't put off vote-getting until the last minute. Steady plugging is bound to bring more results than a frantic sprint once in a while. Persistent efforts are bound to bring results. Don't let a day go by without securing some new subscriptions and renewals. Secure every \$15 worth of new subscriptions you can, as it will give you a bonus of 50,000 extra votes and twenty of these \$15 clubs would give you an extra million votes, which might be just the required number you need to win the Grand Prize as well as the special prize—a Maxwell Touring Car. When you have canvassed your home town thoroughly, visit the neighboring towns in your district and see every person, as it may just be possible some one has been overlooked and would be glad to help you. It is to candidates' advantage to secure every possible subscription by Saturday night, if they wish the utmost in votes for their efforts. This is absolutely the last chance to win a special prize and positively the best vote offer that will be given in the contest.