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## RUSSIANS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE CROSSED CARPATHIANS

### Push on a Day's March Into Hungary—Germans Re-take a Little Ground From British—Italians and French Make Gains

London, July 19.—The Russians have crossed the Carpathians and have penetrated a day's march into Hungary, according to a despatch to the Star from Petrograd.

The despatch says the Russians are threatening the Austrian rear in the mountains. The advance is being made, according to this information, by the armies of General Letchitzky, which are again on the move after an interval of quiet.

### ITALIANS PUSH ON

Rome, July 19.—A new advance for the Italians in the upper Poisana Valley, where they succeeded in capturing positions on Corno Del Coston, was announced today by the war office. A strong attack by the Austrians on the Italian lines in the Pasubio sector was repulsed.

### GET BACK SOME FROM BRITISH

London, July 19.—The Germans have recaptured a portion of Delville Wood and obtained a footing in the northern outskirts of Longueval, the war office announced today.

The announcement follows: "The enemy's attack last night, the beginning of which already has been reported, was directed against our new position east of Bazentin village. Very large German reinforcements had been collected for this attack. After an intense artillery fire, the first assault was delivered in dense masses at about 5.30 o'clock in the afternoon. The fighting continued all night and was particularly violent in Delville Wood.

"After suffering very heavy losses, the enemy succeeded in recapturing Delville Wood and also obtained a footing in the northern outskirts of Longueval. The struggle in these areas is still violent.

"Elsewhere the attack, including three separate assaults on Waterlot Farm, completely broke down under our fire. On the remainder of our front there were no events of importance."

### Gains by French

Paris, July 19.—The situation in the north of the Aisne, near Passy, was reported by the war office.

"On the Verdun front east of the Meuse, the artillery fighting continued very vigorously in the sector of Fleury. We made some progress with grenades near the Chapel of Saint-Fine."

### In the Caucasus

Petrograd, July 19.—An official communication issued last evening, reads: "In the Caucasus our Cossacks, in an important advance in the region of Plastouny, took prisoners thirty-four Turkish officers and 608 men, and captured two machine guns.

"Later information notes that a Turkish flag was taken in a fight near Balbur by Nicholas Bronevsky, a mounted orderly belonging to one of our regiments of Caucasian sharpshooters."

### Victory in East Africa

London, July 19.—The following official report in regard to the campaign in German East Africa, was issued today.

"Telegraphing July 18, Gen. Smuts reports that the enemy forces which he despatched to operate against his communications north of Hindeni and on the Usambani railway have been driven down the Pangani river, abandoning a field gun. Clearance of this area is proceeding satisfactorily."

"On the southern shore of Lake Victoria the forces under Brigadier Sir G. Mitchell, who went over with the first Canadian Contingent, and now command the 219th Highlanders, and Lieut. Wallace Watling of the 14th, who enlisted with the 28th as a private and served with that battalion for several months before being called home to take the commission he now holds.

Mayor Hickey, on behalf of the citizens, welcomed the boys, and Lieut. Col. Mitchell and Lieut. Watling in short addresses thanked their fellow citizens for their reception. The St. Michael's band played patriotic airs. His Worship announced that Lieut. Cecil Mercereau had arrived in Halifax and would be home within the next day or two. Lieut. Mercereau was severely wounded early in June and is coming home to recuperate. He went over-seas with the first Canadian contingent.

### Rich English Baron Dead

London, July 19.—Baron Clifford of Cuddeigh died today. He was sixty-four years of age and the owner of about 8,000 acres.

## Nine French Capture German Fort And Its Garrison of 113

### Daring and Successful Bit of Work An Outstanding Feature of Offensive on Somme

Paris, July 19.—One of the most striking episodes of the great Somme offensive was the taking of the field fort at Biches and the garrison of 113 men by nine French soldiers.

The fort had resisted throughout the artillery bombardment and the infantry had been ordered to surround it by machine gun fire. By a lucky chance a French officer discovered the precise location of the fort and the garrison. He made the fort vulnerable at one point. Selecting a second lieutenant, two sergeants, a corporal and four men, he led them on hands and knees through the long grass to the spot where he knew there was a breach in the defenses. They reached their objective point without the Germans learning of their approach.

Abruptly three of the French officers leaped into the work, shouting in stentorian tones, "Forward with the bayonet" and throwing bombs which exploded in the dug-out. The other six daring Frenchmen remained behind ready to retreat if the attempt failed. The Germans, taken unawares, had no time to get their weapons, and surrendered almost without a show of fight. When one of their number fell, shot by a machine gun, the remaining five, led by the commanding French officer, the Germans, 118 in all, came out of their shelter and threw up their hands.

The three French captors then began to feel nervous, as they saw no reason why the Germans should not fall upon and exterminate them, but at this moment the other six hurried in. Their resolute energy imposed upon the Germans, who believed that the new arrivals were followed by many others. The German officers in the fort then threw down their arms and the entire garrison was marched to the French rear, escorted by the nine captors, who had not lost a man.

## NOVA SCOTIA DOCTOR VICTIM IN SENSATIONAL BOSTON SHOOTING CASE; ANOTHER IS ARRESTED

Boston, July 19.—Dr. Wilfred E. Harris, president of the Massachusetts College of Osteopathy, lay at the point of death in the City Hospital today, while Dr. Eldridge D. Atwood, also an osteopath, was under arrest charged with an attempt to murder him yesterday in a Back Bay hotel.

Atwood calmly informed the police that he had shot Harris because he believed the latter had poisoned his business, Dr. Cella Adams, an osteopath of Brookline, who died yesterday, it was said, from the effects of a dose of strychnine administered by Harris.

Last night they removed two of the three bullets which entered his body. After being booked on a charge of assault and battery, Dr. Atwood was taken to the hospital where Dr. Harris identified him as his assailant. He made a complete confession, the police say, to a quiet trial in the Back Bay police station and was ready today for his arraignment in municipal court.

Medical Examiner Magrath planned to perform an autopsy on the body of Miss Adams today to determine the exact cause of her death. The physician who attended the young woman, gave it as his opinion that she died from an overdose of a drug, which the police declared she took with suicidal intent.

Dr. Harris, who is forty-five years old and married, is a former president of the Canadian Club, Boston, son of a Justice of the Peace in the town of Amesbury, and one of the pioneer osteopaths of Massachusetts. Dr. Atwood and Miss Adams formerly studied under him at the College of Osteopathy in this city. It was said by Dr. Atwood that Miss Adams recently informed Dr. Atwood that her marriage was impossible because Dr. Harris had wronged her. This Harris denied. It was said that the prisoner and Miss Adams had been engaged for some time.

## NORTH END FIRE

A two-story wooden dwelling house in Millidge avenue, owned by Charles Currie, was badly damaged by fire a little after 9 o'clock this morning. The fire broke out in A. G. Jones' grocery and confectionery store on the ground floor and quickly spread to the second flat. An alarm was sent in from box 134, and the North End fire apparatus responded. Before the blaze could be extinguished, the lower floor was badly gutted, and the entire building quite badly damaged.

Mr. Jones estimates his loss at \$1,500, as the stock in his store was destroyed. He has \$1,000 insurance with the Acadia Fire Insurance Company. Mr. Currie estimates his loss to be in the vicinity of \$1,000. This is covered by insurance, as he has \$1,000 in the Atlas Insurance Company, \$1,000 with the Nova Scotia Underwriters, and \$500 with the New York Underwriters.

How the fire originated is a mystery, as there was no stove or lights in the front of the building, where the blaze broke out. As there are no fire alarm boxes in that section of Stanley ward, there was considerable delay sending in an alarm, and the fire had gained considerable headway before any of the apparatus arrived.

## ARE GERMANS TRYING SOMETHING IN SPAIN?

Paris, July 19.—The Temps publishes a Madrid despatch to the effect that the Prince de Battenberg, German ambassador to Spain, had a long conference today with Premier Romanones. It says official circles are preserving absolute silence in regard to the interview.

## WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—Showers have occurred again locally in the western provinces. Elsewhere, fine, very warm weather has prevailed generally.

"Decidedly Warm"

Maritime—Moderate west to south winds, fine and decidedly warm today and on Thursday.

## Three Important Advances Achieved By Russian Armies

### Issue in Region of Stokhod River Still In Balance—Vital Blow Struck at the Turks

Petrograd, July 19.—Although the issue of the struggle between the opposing forces in the region of the Stokhod river still hangs in the balance, and there has been during the last few days no essential change in the situation along the main Russian front, the Russians have achieved three important advances at widely separated points in the eastern war theatre. The first is the successful drive from the new quarters in Volhynia southeast of Lutsk. The second is an advance of the extreme southern wing of General Brusiloff's forces along the high road leading into Hungary, and the third is the improved situation in the Caucasus resulting from the taking of Balbur.

In the first region the Russian operations are now being directed against the left wing of General Boehm-Ermoloff's army near Svinitsky, which has already opinion here, all chances of a successful Turkish counter-offensive, which, with Balbur as a base, the Turks have for months been carrying on with the object of regaining the entire Trebizond-Erzurum area.

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## DR. WHITE REPLIES TO CRITICISM OF SPEECH RE HOSPITAL

Concluding Session of N. B. Medical Society Interesting—St. John Gets Next Meeting

The 30th annual meeting of the N. B. Medical Association was brought to a successful and noteworthy conclusion at noon today. This morning's session was the most enthusiastic held so far. The report of the president, Dr. W. W. White, spoke concerning an editorial relative to his strong plea for better hospital accommodations and improvement.

While said: "I have one object that I would like to see accomplished in the city of St. John and that is a better hospital than the one we have and I will continue to fight for it despite the Globe. We want a hospital for the public, for their benefit and attended without remuneration. The need for a hospital is not a plea for private patients. If it were, though hard to make it entirely for the poor, then, personally I have nothing to say against it and as the benefits are for the public and the medical attendance is free, then the public should accept for pay the bill."

At the opening of the session this morning, Dr. C. M. Kelly read a paper on "Acute Empyema." It was well presented, enthusiastically received and fully discussed. Dr. C. G. Melvin followed with one of the best papers on the subject read to the conference. It was on "The Prevalence of Children." He cited cases of his own experience to prove his contentions. Many children were repugnant to letters but were brilliant mechanics. Children endowed with only ordinary ability to progress have made their mark in life. He explained the predominant characteristics of these various periods, speaking of idiots in schools he said that in England out of every 200 there was only one in New Jersey out of 800 children there would be probably one and in Ontario out of every 400 there would be one. Dr. Melvin said it was hereditary. Normal children have some mental tendencies, but very few follow them.

Dr. N. W. Miner of Calais presented a very practical paper on "A Morning in the Chipman Hospital." He told of cases found in this hospital and discussion followed the various cases he mentioned. Dr. White in discussing the paper made the broad statement that where there is found a "long list of remedies, for any case, there is none of them any good."

It was unanimously decided that the next annual meeting be held in St. John, N. B., on the 27th and 28th of July. It was moved and carried by the assembly that the attention of the local government be called to the fact that the provincial secretary of the Board of Health has no board of health qualifications and that he should have them in view of the always lurking epidemics that are sure to creep into a community. Various votes of thanks brought the convention to a close, including a hearty vote of thanks to the retiring president, Dr. White, a vote of thanks for the use of the council chambers and others.

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## TODAY'S BALL GAMES

National League—New York at Chicago, clear, 8 p.m.; Brooklyn at Pittsburgh, cloudy (2), first at 2 p.m.; Philadelphia at Cincinnati, clear, 8 p.m.; Boston at St. Louis, clear, 8.30 p.m.

American League—Detroit at Boston, clear (2), first 1.30 p.m.; St. Louis at Chicago, clear, 8.30 p.m.; Cleveland at Philadelphia, cloudy, 8.30 p.m.; Chicago at Washington, clear, two games, first 2 p.m.

International League—Newark at Toronto, cloudy (2), 2 and 4 p.m.; Providence at Montreal, clear, 8.30 p.m.; Richmond at Buffalo, clear (2), 2 and 4 p.m.; Baltimore at Rochester, cloudy, 4 p.m.

## PTE. F. T. CONNELL NOW IS UNDERGOING EYE TREATMENT

Mrs. Mary Connell of 181 Erin street has received word from the Canadian Red Cross information bureau to the effect that her son, Pte. F. T. Connell, has been transferred from Woolwich Brook war hospital to a convalescent home, for eye treatment. He is unable to read and can do very little writing. Pte. Connell wishes to be remembered to all his fellow employees of the staff of Macaulay Bros. & Co., where he was employed prior to his enlistment. He has two brothers in the 146th Battalion.

## THE GREATEST BATTLE OUR ARMY HAS EVER FOUGHT

### So Says Gen. Haig in Letter To Munitions Workers

### URGES NO HOLIDAYS

### When Goal is Reached "A Speedy and Decisive Victory Will Then Be Ours"—National Anthem Follows Men's Decision To Work On

London, July 19.—Edwin Samuel Montagu, the new munitions minister, had the following letter from Gen. Sir Douglas Haig read at a conference of representatives of trades unions yesterday:

"At this moment we are engaged in the greatest battle the British army ever fought. I feel confident if the workmen could see their comrades fighting here, both night and day, with heroism beyond all praise, they would not hesitate to surrender their two days of August holidays.

"A two days cessation of work in the munition factories must have a most serious effect on our operations. It might even mean an addition of many months to the war. The army in France looks to the munitions workers to enable it to complete its task, and I feel sure that this appeal will not be in vain. Let the whole British nation know my idea of a general holiday until our goal is reached. A speedy and decisive victory will then be ours."

Mr. Montagu pointed out how vital was the question which had induced General Haig to write such a letter in the midst of his overwhelming responsibilities. The conference unanimously decided to send a reply to General Haig assuring him that there would be no relaxation in their efforts and that all holidays would be postponed until military exigencies permitted their being taken.

"The decision was hearty and enthusiastic and the conference ended with the singing of the national anthem. The decision was a labor conference, any time within the last thirty or forty years."

## AGAIN PREDICT THAT ROUMANIA SOON WILL JOIN ALLIES

New York, July 19.—The correspondent of the Tribune cables from London, under yesterday's date, as follows: "Roumania will cast her lot with the allies, in the very near future. That is the belief in London today. The plight of Austria, the continued successes of the Russian armies—successes that have reached and passed the Roumanian border—and the impending allied offensive from Salonika will lead it to expect, to the important decision."

## AGREEMENT ON THE 115TH HERE

Played Today and Meeting Held—Concert Tomorrow Afternoon—The Construction Corps

The citizens of St. John were much surprised this morning when the band of the 115th Battalion, under Major Peters, marched up Prince William street to the front of King street and there held a band concert for the first time since they were in the city. The band was led by His Worship Mayor Hayes. In a few words he told the gathering, which consisted of about 200 people, that the 115th Battalion still wanted between 100 and 200 men before sailing for overseas. This splendid battalion was from all reports one of the best at present encamped at Valcartier. He added that he did not want to send the 115th, a St. John unit, overseas under strength.

## NEGOTIATIONS OVER BIG NEW YORK STRIKE FAIL

New York, July 19.—The breaking off between the Cloak, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers Protective Association and the International Garment Workers Union left the garment workers' strike today at its intensest where it was when it started three months ago. Statements issued by both sides accused the other of bad faith and responsibility for the failure.

## ANOTHER SUBMARINE NEARING BALTIMORE?

Baltimore, Md., July 19.—There were persistent rumors early today that the arrival of a second merchant submarine boat, presumably the Bremen, was expected Sunday.

## THE ROTARIANS.

Cincinnati, O., July 19.—Only a short business session was held this morning by the seventh annual convention of the International Rotary Clubs here. The rest of the day was taken up with an outing.

Most all of the members of the Halifax club have gone to the war, according to Walter P. Parker, president of the club, who is attending the convention with five other members.

## THIRTY-FOUR DEATHS IN SOUTHERN FLOOD

Ashville, N.C., July 19.—Flood waters in the Carolinas and portions of adjacent states were rapidly receding today, leaving a property loss variously estimated at from \$12,000,000 to \$16,000,000 and a list of deaths from drowning that has steadily increased since the waters rose on Sunday.

Today the toll of human life stood at thirty-four with prospects that it might be increased still further.