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Virtually No Opposition By Enemy Infantry

Great Battle Rages on Thirty Mile Front

Anglo-American Forces Southeast of Cambrai Drive Enemy Back on Headlong Flight—Cambrai Rapidly Being Left Behind the Battle Area—Now where Signs of Stand by Enemy

With the Anglo-American Forces, Southeast of Cambrai, Oct. 11—(By the Associated Press)—The great battle now being fought in this region is on a front of nearly thirty miles today, it having been extended to the north. The British are gaining everywhere. There is virtually no enemy infantry opposition. The only resistance worth mentioning is coming from the enemy machine gunners. The bulk of the enemy artillery seems to have fled so far east of the battle ground as to be out of range.

The high ground on the right mile front between St. Hilaire and Leclateau to the southeast was found to be alive with machine guns when the British approached, and the cavalry patrols were held up for some time.

North of the Leclateau-St. Hilaire line the Germans are in headlong flight, according to the last reports from airplane observers. The Douai salient has been made still deeper, and the news that the Germans are beginning to evacuate that city may be expected at any time.

Cambrai is being rapidly left behind in the battle area. As the armies pushed forward there are nowhere signs that the Germans intend making a determined stand, but the British are going a little slower now, as it is impossible for the vast organizations in the rear of three armies to keep pace with the advance, although what has been done so far will sound almost incredible when it may be told.

Up to a late hour last night the British third army had within eighteen hours made an average advance of more than four miles, and the fourth army from one to three miles, while the first army northeast of Cambrai had made general progress of three miles. All the armies are continuing to move eastward.

East of Bohain the British are approaching Mennecy and the Andigny Forest, while east of Vaux-Andigny they are drawing closer to Wasigny. From Leclateau, which was taken after a struggle, the troops are striking in the direction of Bassez, two and a half miles southeast of Leclateau.

Haig's Statement.
London, Oct. 11—American troops operating with the British on the front southeast of Cambrai completed last night the capture of Vaux-Andigny and St. Souplet, Field Marshal Haig announced in his official statement today.

The River Selle has been crossed by the British north of Leclateau. Fighting is going on in the eastern section of that town.

In the region immediately east of Cambrai the British have reached the outskirts of the villages of St. Vaast and St. Albert.

The British are continuing to push forward on the front between Cambrai and Lens. They made progress during the night in the direction of Isel-Les-Eperchies, five miles west of Douai.

They are also progressing east of Salmaignes and along the northern bank of the Haute Douze Canal east of Lens.

In the Artois.
With the American Army Northeast of Verdun, Oct. 10—(By the Associated Press)—9 p.m.—American forces struck the German lines just east of the Artois Forest today. They captured the villages of Sommevaux, Cheviers and Marcy.

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MAY CALL FRIENDLY ALIENS TO REPORT FOR MILITARY SERVICE

Ottawa, Oct. 11—A proclamation will shortly be issued, it is stated, calling all friendly aliens except Americans with the exception of those who are already in the dominion to register for military service. The conventions with the allied governments have been practically concluded and the formal call is now understood to be under consideration by the government.

MARRIED LAST EVENING

At the Zion church parsonage, Burpee avenue, last evening, Rev. Mr. Boothroy united in marriage Frank E. Algie of this city, and Miss Agnes E. Turner of Westfield, daughter of the late George Turner. A few intimate friends witnessed the ceremony. Mr. Algie is employed with the St. John Iron Works, south end.

RELEASED ON BAIL

The case against two C. P. R. men in Fairville, charged with breaking into one of the cars and taking a quantity of goods, was before stipendiary magistrate Allingham in the Fairville court this morning. No evidence was taken, and the case was set aside until next Friday. The defendants were allowed out on bail. They protest their innocence.

N. B. BATTALION BUSY AT CAMBRAI

With the Canadian Forces in the Field, Oct. 10—(By J. F. B. Livesey, Special Correspondent of the Canadian Press)—Canadian brigades engaged in the operations around Cambrai include battalions recruited in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, French-Canadian, Montreal; Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary and Vancouver.

CALLS UNIQUE CONFERENCE ON PEACE MATTER

Kaiser Summons Sovereigns Of All German Federal States MAKE ANOTHER EFFORT?

German People Anxiously Await Answer to Wilson's Questions— Statement Made by U. S. Secretary of State Lansing

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KING'S WORDS OF PRAISE FOR B gallant ARMIES

London, Oct. 11—The King has sent the following message to Field Marshal Haig:

"The magnificent advance of the armies under your command, supported by the American forces, and opposed by a retreating but stubborn enemy, is a tribute to the courage and strength of the British and American soldiers. It is a credit to the people of this empire. In this name I from my heart congratulate you, and all the ranks."

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MARK OPENING OF ENEMY'S NEW SUB. CAMPAIGN

Latest U-Boats Larger And More Heavily Armed

SEEKING U. S. TRANSPORTS

Renewed Activity Began Ten Days Ago—Loss on Leinster Believed to Total 400—No Time to Launch Life Boats

London, Oct. 11—The sinking of the Japanese ship Hirono Maru and the Dublin mail steamer Leinster mark incidents of a new submarine campaign which the Germans launched about ten days ago, according to the Mail. It adds that at that time renewed submarine activity became evident in various directions, notably along the routes followed by steamers carrying American troops.

It is reported that the new U-boats are much larger and more heavily armed than any which have been sent out previously by Germany.

Among the missing from the Leinster is Lord Alexander, the Leinster's daughter of the Dowager Duchess of Abercorn.

Survivors at Kingston.
Belfast, Oct. 10—(By the Associated Press)—Four hundred lives were lost when the mail steamer Leinster was torpedoed and sunk in the Irish Sea this morning. Three hundred survivors have been landed at Kingston.

The passengers, including many women and some children, numbered 650 and the boat carried a crew of seventy.

An incoming mail steamer reports that she passed through the wreckage but was not permitted to stop to do any rescue work, in accordance with the orders of the British admiralty. Her passengers counted forty dead bodies floating in the water.

Of the twenty-one small craft which were on board, twenty were killed outright by the explosion and the twenty-first was blown through the side of the Leinster, and sank later.

Considered quickly.
London, Oct. 11—The mail steamer Leinster foundered so quickly after she was torpedoed that there was no chance to launch the lifeboats, according to the Dublin correspondent of the Daily Mail. A number of the survivors landed at Kingston had been badly injured and are in the hospital there.

Saw It Coming.
Dublin, Oct. 11—A passenger on board the mail steamer Leinster saw the fatal torpedo approaching the ship. He informed the captain but the torpedo was so near that escape was impossible. The projectile struck the side of the vessel and the Leinster was blown in two.

According to figures reported here there were on board 697 passengers and a crew of 100.

Owners Say 600.
Dublin, Oct. 11—It is believed that 600 lives were lost in the sinking of the mail steamer Leinster by a torpedo in the Irish Sea yesterday, it was stated at the office of her owners. Only about 150, it was added, were saved.

THOUSANDS FLEE TO PROTECTION OF THE BRITISH LINES

London, Oct. 11—Mesopotamian despatches record the arrival of 47,000 refugees from Armenia and Russian refugees from Urmiah, Persian Armenia, inside the British lines. They brought with them the Turkish front and made their escape.

Another 10,000 refugees are distributed in Kurdistan towns or are wandering in the hills. The Turks pursued them but were driven back by British cavalry.

Later the Turks entered Urmiah and massacred 200 persons, mostly old men. It is reported that 600 Christian women have been distributed among the Turkish troops and the Moslem inhabitants of Urmiah.

LUMBER CAMPS HOTBEDS OF L. W. W. AND BOLSHEVISM

Montreal, Oct. 11—That the lumber camps in the dominion are hotbeds of propaganda for L. W. W. and Bolshevism is the statement of Rev. Thomas J. J. Lynch, field secretary of the Shanty-men's Christian Association, now at Central Y. M. C. A. here. He says that in these camps are many foreigners, mostly Russian and American, who have been distributed all sorts of inflammatory leaflets and circulars, the underlying tenor of which are references to the Russian revolution, and to Bolshevism, by dynamite if necessary. It would surprise many people to know to what an extent these anarchist principles had found their way into lumbermen's camps, Mr. Lynch added.

Fair and Warm
Maritime—Moderate west to south-west winds, generally fair, moderately warm today and on Saturday.

Superior—Light to moderate winds, fair today and on Saturday, not much change in temperature.

All West—Fair and moderately warm today and on Saturday.

New England—Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday, cooler Saturday, moderate west to north winds.

BROTHER-IN-LAW OF KAISER IS ELECTED KING OF FINLAND

Stockholm, Oct. 11—Prince Frederick Charles of Hesse, brother-in-law of the German emperor, was elected King of Finland on Wednesday night by the Finnish Landtag. The Republican members did not vote.

SITUATION IN CITY IS MORE ENCOURAGING

IS BULGARIA TO GO TO WAR WITH TURKEY?

Only Three New Cases Known This Morning

SEVERAL DOCTORS ILL

Street Cars Fumigated—Film Exchanges Hard Hit—Status of Board of Health and Other Phases of Influenza Outbreak

The local board of health officers, through Secretary T. M. Burns, reports, reports an approximation of fifty cases, although it is emphasized that this total is not based on specific information. There is much uncertainty in professional circles as to the definition of much of the influenza roundabout the city. However, it can be stated with a fair degree of certainty that there were three well defined cases brought to the attention of the authorities this morning.

Counting yesterday's approximation at forty-seven the new cases today round out the half hundred. This is considered to be a condition almost stationary. While the mortality shows a slight increase, it is not proving rampant nor nearly so rapid in its spread as in other places. This gives room for encouragement that St. John, by reason of its prompt and far-reaching methods of prevention, will escape an epidemic. In the meantime there should be no let-up to measures now imposed and personal hygiene should be carefully considered by everybody.

Wild Rumors.
There are furries of wild rumors about town, giving the number of cases in exaggerated figures, citing deaths and telling how many are ill with the influenza. Most of these are unfounded and only tend to create a foolish state of panic.

Status of Boards.
Until the Royal Gazette announces new appointments, the relationship of the old local board of health to the new office created by the health act is a matter lacking official status. So far, Secretary Burns and his staff and the personnel of the board remains undisturbed. The local board consists of John Kelly, Secretary J. W. Daniel, George Blake and Dr. C. M. Pratt.

All initiative in connection with the present influenza trouble is being taken by the new government board under the personal instructions of the Hon. Dr. W. F. Roberts, minister of health, and Dr. G. G. Melvin, chief provincial medical officer, recently appointed. The old board is simply recording cases and deaths from all causes and attending to routine sanitary inspections and corrections.

Precautions.
T. M. Burns, the secretary, said today that houses in which there are cases of Spanish influenza are being quarantined in a modified manner. Persons not affected in the household are not confined to the building, but the patient is strictly segregated and vigilant measures taken to prevent contact. While the new maldy is not of as serious type as smallpox, diphtheria, etc., yet it is quickly communicated and carries with a distinct element of danger as has been demonstrated. Therefore the intervention of local health officers has been considered necessary.

Film Companies Head Hit.
A prominent film agency manager informed the Times today that there is only one theatre in the maritime province taking service at the present time, namely, in Kentville, N. S. This is a practically ruinous state of affairs and will be up and make useless scores of thousands of dollars in rentals. The life of a film is limited and "runs" in this part of Canada are governed by schedules. It is therefore very probable that many a fine attraction goes into the discard by the closing order. There are fourteen film agencies here employing about seventy-five people at a salary rate of more than \$2,000 per week.

Open Air Church Services.
In discussing the wisdom of holding church services in the open air, the Times was informed by several prominent pastors and rectors today that they would not attempt holding such during the influenza prevention period. They felt that it was a relaxation of vigilance to bring hundreds of people together in the cold air, and since the Spanish influenza is a "crowd" disease, they thought all sorts of pre-arranged gatherings should be set aside for a reasonable time to reduce to a minimum the risk of contagion.

Street Cars Fumigated.
The health department is informed that the New Brunswick Power Company, D. S. Lacey to Sarah, wife of Morris Jacobson, property in Main street.

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PREPARE FOR WAR ON LARGER SCALE THROUGH 1919

London, Oct. 10—Colonel Winston Spencer Churchill, minister of munitions, speaking at Leeds today, said that the output of shells in British munition plants is now 12,000 tons daily. He reported that preparations must be made for continuing the war on a still larger scale and with still larger resources through 1919.

"We are dealing with a crafty enemy who is still in possession of enormous resources," he said. "Even if he evacuates France and Belgium, that will not ensure the cessation of our industry. We must therefore be prepared to continue the war on a still larger scale and with still larger resources through 1919."

U. S. SENATE PASSES
BILL TO CONTINUE
THE DAYLIGHT SAVING

Washington, October 11—The daylight saving law would remain in effect until rescinded by the senate. The measure, which was endorsed by Chairman Baruch, of the War Industries Board, is the latest of fuel economy now goes to the house. Under the present law the clocks would be turned back an hour on October 27.

QUESTION OF WOMEN IN METHODIST PULPITS IS TO COME UP 4 YEARS FROM NOW

Hamilton, Ont., Oct. 11—Women have been placed on an equality with men in all that affects their relations as lay members of the church. This was the unanimous decision of the Methodist general conference yesterday afternoon but the proposal to admit women to the ranks of the church was shelved for another four years and will be referred to the official boards during the next quadrennium for consideration and report to the next general conference.

EXONERATES THE
OFFICERS CHARGED
WITH PERJURY

Ottawa, Oct. 11—Complete exoneration of the charge of perjury made by Joseph Archambault, M. P., in the house of commons against certain military officers at the barracks of the engine training depot in St. John, Que., is the finding in the judgment of Judge McLennan, the commissioner appointed by the minister of justice to investigate.

REAL ESTATE NEWS.

Transfers in real estate have been recorded as follows in St. John county.
H. W. Bodman to William Fugley, property in Coldbrook.

D. S. Lacey to Sarah, wife of Morris Jacobson, property in Main street.

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BELGIUM CALLS HER PEOPLE IN ENGLAND TO RETURN HOME

London, Oct. 11—Belgian authorities have delivered orders to Belgians resident in England, directing them to return to their native land, according to the Sheffield Daily Telegraph.

PUT THE NAME OF THE WEG

German Writers Accuse Former Chancellor of Charge of Lying Made Against Foreign Office

Copenhagen, Oct. 11—Apparently German writers are endeavoring to place the blame for the declaration of Germany's intention of submarine warfare and the failure to secure an early peace on the shoulders of the government of former Chancellor Von Bethmann-Hollweg.

In a leading editorial in the Berlin Vossische Zeitung, declares that if the German people had not been deceived and misled by Bethmann's government it is doubtful whether the submarine warfare would have been proclaimed and President Wilson probably would have succeeded long ago in bringing about a peace.

"Without conquests or conquests as outlined in his message to congress in January, 1917."

In his article, Bethmann satily charges that the German foreign office lied regarding the peace treaty taken in Washington at the end of 1918 and the beginning of 1919 by Count Von Bernstorff.

France Approves.
Paris, Oct. 10—(Havas Agency)—President Wilson's reply to the German proposal of peace was approved today by a vote of the committee of deputies. The resolution also expressed reliance in the government not to accept any conditions which would not provide for armistices and for the armistices "to which the Germans are entitled."

Germany's Course.
Amsterdam, Oct. 11—The semi-official Wolff Bureau of Berlin has issued a statement in which the German government's proposal of peace is illustrated by the following note appended to the reply is still awaited, but the reply shows that further declarations from the government are necessary. To that end, the president's final question has been given by the speech in the Reichstag on Oct. 8 by President Ebert, the German nation, declared the Reichstag approves the peace offer and makes it its own.

Secretary Lansing.
Auburn, N. Y., Oct. 11—If another world war is to be prevented strict justice and the common good must be the underlying motives of those who are charged with the responsibility of drafting the peace treaty after Prussian military is crushed, said Secretary of State Lansing last night in an address here.

While stern justice has been demanded with mercy, he said, when the time came to balance the account the authors of the "rightful wrongs" committed against Austria will not be forgotten. He urged, however, that the American people discriminate between the innocent and the irresponsible, between the master and the serf.

EARTHQUAKE RECORDED.

Washington, Oct. 11—A very severe earthquake was being recorded on the seismograph of Georgetown University observing at 10:08 o'clock this morning. There was no indication where it was located, but it looked as though it might be centred to the west of Washington.

FIRE HORSE HURK!

The fire department were summoned to Reid's Point wharf about 12:30 o'clock today to extinguish a small blaze which started on a plank. The fire itself caused no damage, but an accident happened while the apparatus was on the way to the scene and the horse attached to No. 2 hose cart was injured. The horse James street and while passing Germain street the motor chemical came down the street and in making the turn struck the horse knocking it down and injuring one of his legs. The animal was able to walk back to the engine house, but was quite lame.

INFORMATION WANTED.

J. B. Jones, the registrar received a communication this morning from Sussex, England, asking for information respecting a Percy McNally, supposed to have been born in St. John between the years 1872 and 1878. Mr. Jones is unable to supply the information as his records only go back as far as 1888. Mr. Jones would like any person knowing anything of the whereabouts of Mr. McNally's relatives to communicate with him.

BADLY SCALDED.

Robert McClverty an employe of J. S. Gregory was badly scalded about the right leg at noon today. He was working a steam sphygm pumping water out of a sewer when the steam burst forth and caught him about the legs. He was driven to Dr. J. T. Dalton's office, 204 Main street, where he had the burns dressed, after which he was taken home.