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## FRENCH LARGE SCALE RAIDS ACHIEVE IMPORTANT RESULTS

Allies Smash Up German UNITED STATES TO and Malancourt, in Meuse Region --- German Attempts Produce Insignificant Effects.

Monday, March 18 .- The center of nilitary interest during the past few lays has passed from the Champagne o the vicinity of Verdun, where both the French and the Germans have ken into marked activity. In the Verdun region the correspon-

dent watched the execution of two out by the French on Saturday evening and at dawn on Sunday, the re-sults of which exceeded all expecta-tions. Within 12 hours the French had penetrated the remarkably strong ystems of German trenches in both heppy Wood and Malancourt Wood o a depth at some points of more han a quarter of a mile. They detroyed all the enemy works, his blockhouses and shelters, which had only the slightest losses.

Gen. von Gallwitz's army, acting un-

sness under this pressure, as was who by the hurried arrival of large rves in motor lorries. They were late, however, to hinder the late, however, how der the direct orders of the German crown prince, displayed evident nervousness under this pressure, as was shown by the hurried arrival of large

rs were forced to pick their yap un-er the constant perfi of slipping and drowning. The artillery preon, however, was so overwhelmthat the French met with but slight tion to their progress.

ler of the two, owing to the fact t it was daylight, and, within minutes after the assault groups left the parallels, groups of priers could be seen running towards carried out on a time schedule, and when the French returned to their

second raid, that upon Malanunt Wood, was a wonderfully imssive spectacle, in the darkness before dawn. The correspondent sed the night on a knoll opposite objective from which nothing but the occasional rattle of a machine gun could be heard and only a flash of four before the time it had been arranged for the attack to begin. Then, the German gunners, evidently suspecting that something was up, let fly salvos all along the line, after which quiet reigned again until, with a hunderous crash, all the French batteries opened fire simultaneous'y, the signals flashed, and the infantry went troops reached their objectives at the ous times previously arranged. Then groups of prisoners began coming back, and eventually the Frenchmen, after completing their work of

ines, bringing further squads of captives, the total reaching 80. Meanwhile the German artillery, which is very strong here, had opened

executing raids which cost them dearresults.

A number of American infantry of ficers, attached for instruction to GERMANS TO EVACUATE French units, were in the raids upon Cheppy and Malancourt Woods.

#### President Wilson to Support J. E. Davies for Wisconsin

Washington, March 19,—Indications to-night that Joseph E. Davies had won the Democratic nomination for United States senator from Wisconsin, brought an announcement from the national Demo-cratic committee that President Wilson Would throw his personal support behind Mr. Davies, Loyalty to the government's war program, the committee announce-ment said, would be the issue in the campaign. Committee reports here indicated that James Thompson, La Follette candidate for the Republican nomination, was leading Irvine L. Lenroot.

The committee also announced that senate and house leaders will stump the Elate in Mr. Davies' betal's state in Mr. Davies' behalf.

### OLDEST RESIDENT GONE.

Kingston's oldest resident. She came ere from England when a baby, and resided here ever since, and during all the time lived in the same house, which has been the homestead of the family gince 1822. Two gons and a daughter survive.

### GERMANY WILL POLICE Courland and Livonia Will Become "In-dependent," According to Von Hertling. before the reichstag, Imperial Chancello von Hertling partly announced Germany's policy towards the annexed territories

on the French Front in France, Plans for Taking Over Holland's Ships Changed at Last Moment.

#### TO REFUSE CONDITIONS

Washington Will Not Yield on wo Points Prompted by German Dictation.

taking over Dutch shipping in American waters at noon today were can waters at moment. In the charged of the last moment. In the ten the Germans three years to con-uct, and brought back two batches absence of a reply from Holland to f prisoners, each comprising 80 men, the British-American demand for the French themselves suffered transfer of the ships, according to the transfer of the ships, according to the agreement which Germany blocked, it was decided to wait at least another day to avoid seeming discour- man, Texas, Second Lieutenant R. J.

of late, however, to hinder the length of the such.

Ground Unfavorable.

Ground Unfavorable.

The ground was very unfavorable the French attack, owing to the yey soil, in which immense shell es from former battles had bene filled with water to a depth of ships is wanted by the United for six feet. Among these the raid-were forced to pick their yap un-

munitions were taken to indicate that she was making a last effort to placate Germany in the face of submarbe prohibited from carrying troops or munitions were taken to indicate that ine threats and economic pressure. Such conditions are regarded as being not those of Holland, but of Germany, was said on high authority there was no possibility of the United States sovereign rights under international

wn lines they had secured about 80 | Dutch seamen who are to be replaced by Americans can demand to be repatriated to Holland, take employment on any merchant marine vessel of the United States or any other country, or they can be admitted to the United States if admissible under the immigration laws.

#### **ENEMY PEACE TERMS** CONDEMNED IN REICHSTAG

Socialist Declares it Unvarnished Set-tlement by Sword—Yield to Militarists.

Copenhagen, March 19.- In the debate in the reichstag on the Russian the officials have instructions to retreaty of peace. Dr. Edouard David, mapority, Socialists, denounced the Brest-Litavsk peace as not a peace by are not paroled from an interment understanding, but an unvarnished peace by force, adding:

"Not only did the Bolshevik' capittulate, out our diplomatists captulated to the militaristic ideas of night. Gendestruction, returned to their own to the militaristic ideas of night. Gen-

into the scale. "This peace has evoked dissatisfaction amongst the widest circles in locality to another and the governup with a heavy barrage and counter the German nation and has shaken the Pattery fire, but without effect. Soon confidence in the honesty of the Gerafter daylight the front was again man policy. Reference to Brest-Litovsk represses all peace feeling in France and Great Britain. The en-Germans took the initiative in the tente already is at work again wellaling course of the day Sunday at Samog together the broken ring in the east. "Our main object-the internal dis-

#### solution of the enemy coalition-has ly in casualties and achieved only small not been obtained, but has been made more difficult."

FINLAND PRETTY SOON because every motorist has to take oath as to the information he gives Reichstag Speaker Declares Sole Aim to Clear Country of Bolshevik

Copenhagen, March 18.-In the reichstag Deputy Fehrenbach, of the centrist party, expressed his regret that help had not been given Finland by Sweden, as German action apparently had failed to meet with complete approval in Sweden. Germany, he said, only aims at clearing Finland of Bolshevik rands, and when this is accomplished the German forces undoubtedly will be withdrawn from Finland.

Deputy Fehrenbach argued that the Poles should unequivocally recognize the integrity of the German Empire, who brought back prisoners and two while the Germans for their part would renounce all plans of annexation. He added:
"We regard the right of peoples to

Drury, aged 85 years, widow of the late Wm. Drury, is dead. She was policy of Germany before the world."

RETURNS TO FRANCE. UNITED IN DEATH. Paris, March 19 .- Sergt. A. J. Scott, of Windsor, March 19.—Theo. Primeau, aged 75, and his nephew, Gilbert Oulette, aged 60, died within a few minutes of one another today. Mr. Primeau lived at Dover, near Chatham, for many years.

## THREE CONTINGENTS OF ORIGINAL FIRSTS

Two Trainloads of Soldiers Arrived in Toronto Yesterday.

**RUSSIAN PROVINCES** 

Copenhagen, March 18,-In his speech

to lean on the German Empire which,

TORONTO MAN KILLED

Issue Any More During

the War.

licenses for 1918 by the Ontario Gov-

ernment. This is the result of an or-

by the cabinet.

der-in-council which has been passed

Paroled aliens who have presented

themselves at the various branches

thruout the province where licenses

are distributed have been advised that

fuse them a renewal of the license.

It is stated that this action is not be-ing taken in the case of aliens who

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The government's idea in refusing

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Successful Rads by British

damage. Motor cars and motorcycles

ment this year intends that no such

formerly posessors of licenses are ap-

plying daily at each of the branches

but without success. Should these

people make an attempt to secure a

license in some other person's name

the department will eventually trace

the trick thru the serial numbers.

The license will then be cancelled and

London, March 19-"English troops

carried out successful raids last night in the neighborhood of Villers-Guis-

lain, La Vacquerie and Bois Grenier,

and captured a number of prisoners," the war office announces. "The en-

emy's trenches east of Neuve Cha-

who brought back prisoners and two

tempted three raids in the neighbor-hood of Fleurbaix and Bois Grenier,

"During the night the enemy at-

Take German Prisoners

TRAINING IN TEXAS

#### TRAINS BEHIND TIME

In recognizing the independence of Courland he thankfully and joyfully had One With Women and Chiltaken cognizance of Courland's "desire dren Relatives of Men indeed, corresponds to the old cultural relations." He added that he expected a deputation from Lithuania within the next few days, after which Lithuania would likewise be recognized as an independent state.

In Livonia and Esthonia, continued the chancellor, things were different. Held Up at Trenton.

When Soldiers Arrive Today. Party convalescents due North Toronto-7.30 a.m.

chancellor, things were different. Under the peace treaty these countries would be policed by Germany, on their own invitation, until security was guaranteed and order restored. Party convalescents or "originals" due North Toronto—8.00 a.m.

Main party "originals" due North Toronto—8.30 a.m.

Two contingents of returned soldiers reached Toronto yesterday and to the greatest possible extent.

To secure cultivation of gardens and three more contingents are due early to secure cultivation of gardens and three more contingents are due early to secure cultivation of gardens and three more contingents. three more contingents are due early this morning. A party of soldiers' vacant lots in towns and cities with a view to raising the maximum amount wives and families just returned from view to raising the maximum amount with the company of the second cities with a view to raising the maximum amount. England via St. John, N.B., also reached Toronto last night.

125 convalescents which was expected late last night. It was found it could not possibly get to Toronto before 5 a.m. today, so arrangements were made for it to reach North Toronto station at 7.30 a.m., this being considered at 7.30 a.m., this being tesy to the little kingdom.

Tonight the United States still awaited final word from London, where the negotiations were conduct
Burley, whose home is at 87 Hayden onto station at 7.30 a.m., this being considered a more appropriate hour. Regarding the two other trains, the railway officials stated last night that

would be aboard the 8 train and the main contingent of the "originals" on the one arriving at 8.30. the one arriving at 8.30.

Long Wait at Station.

The train of 242 convalescent returned war veterans, which reached Toronto at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, had been announced to arrive at 7.30 a.m. Several hundred relatives and friends of the homecoming heroes had gathered at the station in the early Washington Eagerly Scans War no possibility of the United States and Great Britain accepting any Ontario Government Refuses to morning. As the hours passed by the crowd of citizens waiting to give the soldiers a reception kept growing, until when they did finally arrive the crowd was about five thousand strong. They extended to the returned soldiers the most enthusiastic reception yet ac-corded a contingent returning from Hundreds of paroled alien enemies, who during the past three years have overseas. Hundreds of school children enjoyed their outings in motor vefrom the nearby schools had been granted a half-holiday to take part in hicles, while Britishers in Germany the welcoming ceremonies and found themselves locked up in internlined the upper section of Yonge street, ment camps and their motor cars cheering and waving flags as the war veterans passed by. The band from confiscated, will not be granted motor

Exhibition camp also aided in making the reception a hearty one. The mayor, members of the city council and Maj.-Gen. Logie and staff officers took part n the welcome at the station. Held Up at Trenton. Ait 9.30 last night the second party returned convalescent soldiers, 280 strong, reached North Toronto staover a thousand women and children. Mayor Church, members of the city council, and Toronto staff officers

A party of about 100 women ohildren, the wives and families of solidiers, who had just returned from England, arrived at North Toronto station on two trains last night at 6.45 and American forces. Communiques and 10.25. It was intended to bring are being closely scanned for the them all on the earlier train, but ow- first indication of any offensive opera- Canada. ing to a wheel being damaged when An average of eight to ten aliens the first train was near Trenton, pant of the contingent was forced to come later. The women and children returning from overseas were in spirits, and gave no evidence that they had been suffering at all by any food shortage in England.

### COUNT TO RULE LITHUANIA

a prosecution for perjury instituted Amsterdam, March 19.-Count Von Motorcycles are included in the orother east tenritory, except Poland, acder and it is found that scores of Bulgarians and Ukrainians are affected. There are also many Germans on these territories and their future form | cede the main thrust. and relationship to Germany."

### TO DEPORT SUSPECTS

New York, March 19.—Presidential warrants for the deportation to France of the two men and two women, arested by department of justice agents here yesterday and suspected ezpionage activities in behalf of Germany, arrived today from Washington, but it is expected some time will clapse before the quartet is actually taken from the country.

### DINEEN'S MEN'S HATS.

The Dineen Company are putting but was repulsed with loss in each English Hats for men—comprising sugar to Mexico will not be granted. hats, tweed hats and caps, all the latest production from Christy Co. and Henry Heath of London, England. Prices for these exclusive styles and extra quality \$5 to \$10; caps \$1.50 to \$3. Dineen's, 140 Yonge street.

### GREATER PRODUCTION SCHEMES ANNOUNCED

COME THIS MORNING Aims and Methods Decided Upon at Meeting of Provincial Prime Ministers Held Last Month With Federal Representatives.

> by him, attended a conference at Ottawa, held under the chairmanship of ments of agriculture in taking orders Hon, J. A. Calder, and attended by for tractors and forwarding these b Hon. T. A. Crerar, minister of agriculture for the Dominion, for the purpose of considering plans for increasing their educational departments in making teen age boys available by provid-

As a result of this conference it was

To plant this spring every acre possible of wheat, oats, barley and rye.

To bring into cultivation every acre work on the land.

To plant this spring every acre possible of wheat, oats, barley and rye. towns and villages of people able to work on the land.

of vegetables. This should be accomplished thru the municipal or existing

During February the prime minister creased acreage of new land more ef each province, or a minister named than would normally be broken for crop next year.

production in Canada, so that the greatest help possible might be given the allies ing on farms.

Co-operation by provincial governdecided that the government of each ments in securing the teen age boy province constitute itself a war conmittee for production, to work in co- by means of lectures in every public and high school to show the boys the operation with the Canada Food Board.

Aims of Conference.

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To plant this spring every acre pos-

> a view to having committees working in every municipality and township.
>
> By frank statements from time to time of the seriousness of the situation, giving definite facts in respect

Bulletins for Signs of Opening Blow.

### ITALY MAY BE THEATRE

Strong Thrusts in France May Precede Heaviest Operations Against Central Powers.

Washington, March 19. - The key to the 1918 riddle of the western battle front is in the hands of the supreme war council at Versailles. Decision as to the time and place of major offensives by the allies rests tion, and was greeted by another with that body. It directly controls monster crowd of citizens, including all officers here believe, a new weawith that body. It directly controls pon with which to make effective its plans of grand strategy. The weawere also again on hand to extend the pon is a pooling of the army reserves of all the allied armies, permitting overwhelming concentrations at selected points for attack.

The initiative rests with the allied tions mapped out at Versailles. Preparations have been made under the urgent insistence of President Wilson for aggressive action this year, based on co-ordinated plans and under the didrection of a single

There is substantial agreement that the Italian front may in fact become the main theatre of war this Even tho the supreme council

Kayserling has been appointed com- might have decided to make the efmissioner for Lithuania, Courland and fort to break thru in Italy, it is believed the first moves in the game cording to a despatch received here would be played in France and Flanfrom Berlin. Count Von Kayserling is ders. Drives with all the appearauthorized "to deal with all political ance of being the real offensives matters, as well as the development of would undoubtedly accompany or pre-

TURKS OCCUPY TOWNS. Constantinople Announces Further Progress in Region of Erzerum, in Armenia.

London, March 19.—A Turkish official communication, dated Sunday, says:
"We have occupied Kopri-Koi and Tortum, respectively east and northeast of Erzerum," (Turkish Armenia.)

SUGAR FOR MEXICO CUT OFF Havana, March 19 .- Henry H. Morgan, representative in Cuba of the American food controller, has notified the served. for the supplying of coal to neutral on a special display of High Grade Cuban or other ships which carry

> STRIKE CALLED OFF. Raltimore, Md., March 19.—The 600 caulkers and helpers who laid down their tools at the Baltimore Drydocks and Shipbuilding Company's plant here

## TO PAY THE CLAIMS

Supreme Court Revises Distribution of Funds From Sale of Collier. Montreal, March 19.-The supreme

cerning the distribution of the pro-ceeds of the sale of the Norwegian

two funds, in the proportions of seven-fifteenths and eight-fifteenths, the first to be divided exclusively among the claims for loss of life and the

This is a variation of the decision of the deputy registrar of the admir-alty court at Montreal, W. S. Walker, K.C., that the distribution should be made in accordance with the English law, and he reported to the admiralty court in favor of the loss of life

### COL. BELL APPOINTED

Will Be Chief Medical Officer of Military Hospitals in Canada.

By a Staff Reporter.
Ottawa, March 19.—Col. McKelvey Bell.
of Ottawa, who has been the medical
officer in charge of the Halifax Military
District, has been appointed chief medical officer of all the military hospitals in Col. Bell did duty in one of the Cana-

New York State Women Poll as Big Vote as Men

New York, March 19.—Women voted for the first time in elections held today in many villages of this state. In sev-eral places they polled nearly as many oral places they policy hearty avotes as the men. A woman appeared among the contestants for office in Fort Plain, where Anna Waters, a Democrat, was elected tax collector. She was the was elected tax collector. She was the only member of her party who blocked the Republicans from making a clean In Hempstead women brought about the defeat of all the present officials

#### Big Quantity of Explosives Used in Balkan Air Raids

Paris, March 19.—An official communique regarding operations on the Macedonian front says. "Raids were carried out with success in the region of Seres and west of Presba Lake, where a French detachment surprised an enemy reconnoitering party and took prisoners. There was very great activity on the part of allied aviators, who threw down more than 1900 kilograms of explosives on enemy establishments in the Struma and Vardar valleys and near Resna, west of Monastir. Important results were ob-Paris, March 19.—An official of Monastir. Important results were ob-

### AVIATORS FLY TO ROME

Rome, March 19.-Two American which is pleasing to the eye. aviators accomplished today a fast the 212 miles in 158 minutes. The be the fate of the Liberals who had aviators were Major Ryan, commander of the American Flying Corps at Fogyears he had been associated with gia, who acted as pilot, and Capt, them. Frost ( who made the trip as observer.

Charges That He Represents Same Brand of Commercialized Christianity as Flavelle.

#### ADDRESS IS ADOPTED

Laurier Charges Parliament IIlegally Assembled, and Borden Defends Action.

By Staff Reporter.

Ottawa, March 19 .- The debate up-To bring into cultivation every acre possible of new land for crop in 1919.

To increase cattle, hogs and sheep to the greatest possible extent.

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To increase cattle, hogs and sheep to the greatest possible extent.

To increase cattle, hogs and sheep to the need, by speeches from Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Robert Borden and Hon. Charles Murtions thru municipal machinery, with phy, and the address was then adopted without amendment. Both party reached Toronto last night.

The three trains of soldiers scheduled to arrive in Toronto early this morning include one containing about 125 convalescents which was expected last night. It was found it could not possibly get to Toronto before 5 am. today, so arrangements were made for it to reach North Toronto station at 7.80 am., this being considered a more appropriate hour. Regarding the two other trains, the railway officials stated last night that they were due to leave Montreal at 10.30 and 11 p.m. and would arrive at North Toronto station at 8.00 and 8.30 o'clock this morning. The railway men stated it was not known definitely whether or not the "originals" would be coming on both chees trains, but they thought it probable convalescents his country, but represented the same brand of commercialized Christianity as Joseph Wesley Flavelle. He further charged Mr. Rowell with having ma-liciously maligned the French clergy of Quebec, and with having taken an active part in the Union revene active part in the Union government campaign against the Roman Catholic

population of Canada. Mr. Rowell was unfortunately ab-Montreal, March 19.—The supreme court has just rendered judgment on the appeal of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in the matter concerning the distribution of the pro-

way on a question of privilege. Leaders in Debate. ceeds of the sale of the Norwegian collier Storstad, which collided with and sank the C. P. R. liner Empress of Ireland in the St. Lawrence River in May, 1914.

This fund is the only money available to meet all claims for damages, and it will pay a very small fraction of the demands. The supreme court of the demands. The supreme court of the proceeds to be divided into the last election, and was specially severe upon the manipulation by the government of the Military Service

> The prime minister, upon rising to The prime minister, upon rising to reply, received a great ovation. He justified summoning parliament without waiting for the official returns from overseas. The fiscal year, he said, would expire in a few days, and unless the money was voted by parliament, our soldiers would be left without par, and their dependents without support. He denied that any without support. He denied that any woman in Canada had been dis-franchised by the War Time Election Act, and promised that all the women of Canada would be given the vote at the present session of parliament. He then detailed at some length the many progressive reforms already instituted by the Union government, including prohibition and the reform

> of the civil service. Sir Wilfrid Llaurier. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, on rising, was greeted with prolonged applause by the members sitting to the left of the Speaker. He plunged at once into the subject of the contents of the speech from the throng, which he declared was from the throne, which he declared was a document of unusual length, made up of subjects, old and new, but chiefly old. The matters referred to, he said, were familiar to the people of the country. In regard to some of the country. In regard to some of them they were awaiting the decision of the government, and he would re-frains from comment on them until the frainsfrom comment on them until the government has introduced it in concrete form.

> Sir Wilfrid noted that the speech did not contain any mention of a subject which did not require any legislation. Since the former parliament proroguted quite a change had taken place in the government. "I did not." said Sir Wilfrid "ray" depresent not," said Sir Wilfrid, "say change of not," said Sir Willriu, say change in the government, but change in the government. I see no difference in the old and new government. There is no new government, it is the same old new government, it is the same old government which has existed for the last six years. As long as there is no change in the premiership there is no change in the government. It is the same control and the same principle that prevails."

Change in Complexion.
Sir Wilfrid went on to say that while there had been no change in the government, there had been a change in its complexion. There had been not only an alternation, but an improvement in the administration There had been infused into the gov ernment a rosy red color (rouge).

aviators accomplished today a fast Sometimes operations were fatal to flight from Foggia to this city, flying the patient. He did not desire this to

Sir Wilfrid said he was completed