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GERMANS DESPERATE; SACRIFICE THOUSANDS, BUT BRITISH ARE FIRM

Attack After Attack at Ypres All To No Avail

Slaughter of Enemy Does Not Deter Them From Trying Again and Again Till Plain is Charnel House—Khaki Line, Reinforced, is Stronger Than Before

London, May 15.—A Times despatch from Pas De Calais says: The German offensive against Ypres has assumed a phase which may very properly be described as desperate. Countered in the great assault of last Saturday, the Germans have not ceased to hurl attack after attack across the fields in front of the town. Each new attack seems more reckless than the predecessors.

On Tuesday the slaughter of Monday was repeated in almost every particular. Several distinct attacks were made, each carried out by infantry advancing in close formation. Powerful artillery fire as before had been expended to prepare the ground.

In each case the result was exceedingly disastrous for the Germans. They lost masses of men to machine guns and rifle fire and failed of the only achievement which could ever justify such expenditure, the cleavage on a large scale of the British line of defense.

The German infantry displayed great courage, the courage of despair perhaps. They fought bitterly as men ordered to strike with out sparing. There were signs of very considerably exhausted Germans, but it is scarcely doubted that new attacks may now be expected. These new attacks have even less prospect of success.

The plain before Ypres is a charnel house of German dead. The British line as reset and reinforced is stronger than before. Not even the reckless despair which threw thousands of men away in half an hour can prevail.

FRENCH AGAIN ADVANCE

Paris, May 15, 2.30 p.m.—The French War Office this afternoon reported: "There have been no changes in the situation since last evening in the sector to the north of Arras. Here fighting continues under the conditions set forth in our last communication. We have progressed 500 yards in the direction of Souchez. In this sector there have been violent artillery exchanges."

AT GRIPS WITH RUSSIAN CENTRE

Petrograd, May 15.—Although General Mackensen's Austro-German army has come to grips with the Russian centre on a line paralleling the San River in Galicia, no fears are felt here over the possible loss of Przemyel. Despatches from Lvov (Lemberg), state that the Russians have taken up positions of great strength on the heights of the San, where they have mustered an enormous quantity of artillery and erected strong defensive works. Both in Galicia and in Southern Poland, where the Russians retired to strategic territory east of stiffened with reinforcements.

Field Marshal von Hindenburg is reported to be hurrying German troops to Bukovina, where the Austrians are in retreat from the Bistritza river to the Romanian frontier over a line nearly 100 miles long.

The battle of Shavli, in Coudand, Russia, continues without any result.

Italians and urging the re-establishment of the calm and moral discipline so necessary in this grave moment. It also urges despatch, irrespective of parties, to co-operate with the authorities in a patriotic effort to restore tranquillity. The message was received with enthusiasm. Intern all.

London, May 15.—A Reuter despatch from Capetown filed Friday says: "Immense crowds thronged the streets tonight singing 'Rule Britannia.' Troops found great difficulty in preventing disorders. It was announced that the government had decided to intern all aliens of enemy nationality and also to protect naturalized aliens or those who have applied for naturalization."

General Botha has issued to the people of the Union of South Africa, from Windhoek, capital of German South Africa, a message deploring the anti-German riots, which he characterizes as unworthy of a strong and civilized people, however great the provocation.

London, May 15.—A Johannesburg despatch to the Reuter Telegram Company says: "The situation here for the last 36 hours has been extremely serious, involving the work of destroying every German or apparently German property which previously had been only partly wrecked. Police and troops have been called in from all directions, however, and now have command of the situation."

A SERIES OF CHARGES

In the police court this morning Arthur McDonald was remanded on charges of drunkenness, interfering with the police, using obscene and profane language, and assaulting Mrs. Charles Perrin. He was told by the magistrate that he was liable to a long term in jail.

HAD GOOD TIME

At the close of the performance of the Ebony Swells last evening the entire company, still in full regalia, adjourned to the Brown Betty tea rooms for supper and a dance. It proved a very merry affair.

NOT YET FOUND

Up to two o'clock this afternoon, the body of Frank Christopher, who was drowned yesterday afternoon in the harbor, had not been recovered. He fell overboard while going ashore from the steamer Lansdowne.

THE LEONFIELD

Men were engaged this morning on the sunken dredge Leonfield, making preparations to attempt to raise her next Tuesday morning.

TO BOYS' INDUSTRIAL HOME

A fourteen year old boy, arrested a few days ago on a charge of stealing, was sent to the Boys' Industrial Home this morning for a term not exceeding three years.

THE CORSICAN.

The Allan liner Corsican is reported due in Quebec on Monday evening, and in Montreal on Tuesday afternoon.

TEN DAYS BEFORE THE REPLY COMES FROM GERMANY

American Note Probably Was Presented Today

BERLIN TO MAKE NEXT MOVE

Paper in German Capital Now Blames United States For Sinking of the Lusitania, Asserting Americans Used to Ensure Safe Carriage of Ammunition

Washington, May 15.—Washington today awaited official word from U. S. Ambassador Gerard at Berlin, that he had received the United States note. Although the note had been delayed in transmission, it is believed to have reached Berlin and probably will be presented to the German minister of foreign affairs today.

Germany is expected to make the next move in the diplomatic negotiations and it is expected that he will give the matter immediate consideration and send her reply in about ten days.

Puts Blame On United States

Amsterdam, May 15.—All the blame for the sinking of the Lusitania is placed upon the United States government by the Berlin Vossische Zeitung, Thursday, which argues that the liner took no care to avoid danger, but continued her pretention to be the "living American rampart."

The newspaper asserts that it was the American passengers on board who were to ensure that 8,000 cases of ammunition in her hold would not be touched and that, naturally, this was concealed from passengers of that nationality. The paper says the American government is responsible for the concealment of this danger and that it is the duty of American citizens in order to obtain the conveyance of contraband.

ANXIOUS ABOUT STEAMER WITH NURSES ABOARD

One Nova Scotia Girl on the Transylvania, Now Nearing the War Zone

Montreal, May 15.—On the Anchor line steamer Transylvania, now nearing the war zone, on her voyage to Liverpool, are twenty-two Canadian nurses. They are not connected with any nursing organization or under the patronage of the government.

They volunteered to help perform Canada's share of the great war task. Details from England indicate that there is great anxiety as to the safety of the 900 passengers. The vessel is in Liverpool tomorrow morning.

Eleven of the nurses are from Quebec province, nine from Ontario, one from Nova Scotia, and one from Newfoundland. The latter two are Miss Elizabeth Ross, of New Glasgow, N. S., and Miss Maise Parsons, St. John's, Nfld.

THE FUNDS

C. B. Allan has received a contribution of \$9 for the Canadian Patriotic Field Kitchen fund.

Mayor Frin has received a contribution of \$20 from Chief Justice McLeod for the fund to provide field kitchens for the 2nd New Brunswick battalion.

Belgian Relief

Contributions for the Belgian relief fund have been received by Mayor Frin as follows:—From Petalodine, N. B., per H. W. Church & Co., Whitefield, \$20; Mary Humphreys, \$5; George Humphreys, \$5; Stewart Humphreys, \$5; a friend, \$5; total \$40; Mill Brook pie social, per Edward Sullivan and H. A. White, Sussex, \$30.60; proceeds of entertainment given by boys of Rosedale Collegiate school per Rev. W. R. Hillbard, Rosedale, \$40.75.

HIGH SCORES ON "VIC." ALLEYS

On the Victoria alleys yesterday William Davis won the daily prize with a total of 560 for five strings. His scores were: 126, 111, 115, 107, 101. Vincent Kelly was second with a score of 558. Other high scores were made during the day as follows: Jenkins, 114, 119; Covey, 119, 110; Coughlan, 113; Kelly, Davis, Morrissey, Brown and Steen rolled a five string total of 561. Their scores were: Kelly, 117; Davis, 111; Morrissey, 109; Brown, 116 and Steen, 108.

ST. JOHN STUDENTS AT MCGILL

Included in the pass lists at McGill University, Montreal, are the names of E. W. Lunney, J. R. Nugent, Harold St. J. Clarke and F. J. Scully, all of this city, who have completed their examinations in the third year study of medicine. The names of J. A. O'Regan and J. M. Donnelly, of this city, appear in the fourth year pass lists in the same subject.

Speed The Parting Guest! Talkative and Bumptious Herr Dernberg Is To Leave United States

Washington, May 15.—Dr. Bernhard Dernberg, often referred to as the unofficial spokesman of Emperor William in the United States, has made plans to leave the country of his own initiative, within a short time.

Another New Brunswick Soldier Dies For the Right

Charles A. Gough of Chatham received a telegram from Ottawa this morning announcing that his son, Fred, had died from wounds. Fred enlisted with Major Anderson in Moncton last August and was an artificer in the 8th Field Battery. He is survived by his parents and one sister, Mrs. F. McKee of Bathurst.

Bombardier J. A. McLeane of Sydney, C. B., Second Field Artillery Brigade is named in the latest list of wounded.

TWO MORE NOVA SCOTIANS

Ottawa, May 15.—A casualty list containing about forty-five names was issued today. Included are Private John Russell, River Hebert, N. S., 13th Battalion wounded, and Private Wm. McLaughlin, New Glasgow, N. S., 16th Battalion, wounded.

HALIFAX SOLDIER WOUNDED

Halifax, May 15.—A private cable brings word that J. E. Almon, son of the late Dr. Thomas Almon, of Halifax, who enlisted in the Princess Pats, has been wounded at the front, and is now in the Sheffield Hospital. His injuries are slight. Mr. Almon left Halifax about three years ago for Edmonton, in which city he was residing when he enlisted.

CANADIAN'S ARM SHATTERED; DUM-DUM BULLET DID IT

Montreal, May 15.—Five wounded soldiers of the Princess Patricia Regiment, have arrived in Montreal. One of them, Private Holmes Account, who is staying with his cousin, Brian Ward, manager of Molson's Bank, has a badly injured right arm, which indicates that the Germans have been using dum dum bullets.

The other injured men are from Toronto, Private Thomas Longford lost the sight of his left eye from a bursting shrapnel shell, and Private George Motley lost his right eye from the same cause. Lance Corporal Scott and Private Chapman, were awarded an account of sickness.

Private Account crushed his wound in the fighting around Ypres, where the Princess Pats have been in the thick of it. The German bullet hit him in the right forearm, shattering the bone in such a way as could not have been done by the ordinary bullet of civilized warfare. X-Ray photographs of the wound have been taken and they are said to bear out the contention that dum dum bullets were used.

SOLDIERS GOING TO FIVE CHURCHES

Tomorrow's Parades of The Meas In St. John—Recruits For The 55th

The church parades of the 26th Battalion tomorrow will include St. Paul's, the Cathedral, St. John Presbyterian, Ledster street Baptist and Zion Methodist.

The training of the unit tomorrow was carried on in companies.

A few applicants were received today by Capt. J. R. Miller, at the recruiting office in the army, for the 55th Battalion, but have not yet been passed by the medical officer, Dr. L. M. Curran, who is acting in the place of Captain Gardner, now in Sussex with the battalion.

Men for the 6th.

Lieutenant E. A. Thomas of the 6th counter Rifles, Amherst, is in Montreal to enlist men ready to enter the ranks again by the drafting of a large number of the Rifles.

Two Sackville Men.

A telegram from "Jock" Wiggins, son of Dr. C. F. and Mrs. Wiggins of Sackville, who is at the front in France or Belgium, stated that he was ill from the fumes gas used by the Germans. It is hardly likely that he is seriously ill, as he is promoted full particulars later.

A telegram announced that Don Fisher, brother of F. A. and Morris Fisher, of Sackville, was about to leave England for France. He has been in the cavalry all winter but the telegram stated they had been disappointed.

NEWS OF FREDERICTON.

Fredericton, May 15.—Sir Geo. E. Foster arrived here at noon and is at the Barker House. He will address a patriotic meeting in St. Paul's church this evening and tomorrow evening will speak at the unveiling of a tablet in George Street Baptist church in memory of Rev. Dr. McLeod.

The river here is steadily falling and is now two feet below the mark reached last week.

Members of the Porter family held a pleasant reunion here this week. Rev. F. S. Porter and wife of St. John, Rev. Dr. Porter and wife of Dallas, Texas, and Mrs. Harry Alward of Moncton were here for the reunion.

Farmers in this vicinity have started seeding operations.

It is understood that arrangements are now being made by the government to pay the contractors who have claims for work done on the Valley Railway.

NOVELTY SHOWER.

At her home in Victoria street on Thursday evening friends of Miss Nina Crabbe tendered her a surprise in the form of a novelty shower, in honor of her approaching nuptial event. She was the recipient of many substantial remembrances from those gathered, all of whom had a pleasant time in games, music and refreshments.

FINE OF \$40 FOR SUNDAY SAVING

RAW RECRUIT TO TRAINED SOLDIER

A Word About Our Friends Of The 26th

A FINE BODY OF MEN

Months of Army Life and Instruction Have Worked Great Change in Individual and Regiment—Something of the Soldier's Life

There goes the 26th! How familiar has that cry become to the people of St. John during the last few months, as they have seen, day after day, the men of the battalion parading past in various formations, in squads, companies or battalion order. The last few months have been days of bonding on the changeless drill, the daily routine, the soldier's nature. What wonder, then, that they are eagerly waiting for the order to depart, to be transported across the broad Atlantic to scenes of more stirring action!

St. John will miss them when they go, for the sight of the men in uniform about the streets has become practically a part of the life of the city. And when the depths of ocean stretch between, and they are playing a more active part in the empire's struggle, a thousand homes will watch for news of their doings, and from all parts of the province, attention will be focused upon their little sphere, content that when the hour arrives they will obey the call of duty as nobly as those gallant Canadians now in the thick of the din here.

What a change has come over these husky, stalwart young fellows in the last few months! Remember how "green" how "unsoldierly" they looked when first they were in the uniform. Now behold them march along with steady, measured tread, heads thrown back, shoulders erect, and a thousand moving as one man! Training! You say—yes, training! But not a few days of it, nor yet a few weeks, but for several months all day long, from 9 a.m. to 4.30 p.m., and sometimes longer, the instructor has had them in hand, and this is the product of his work—appearance, efficiency and fitness!

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WEATHER BULLETIN. Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stuart, director of meteorological services.

An energetic depression is centred in Iowa, causing heavy rains in nearly all portions of the western provinces. Elsewhere in Canada the weather is fine.

Maritime—Moderate winds, fair today and on Sunday; not much change in temperature.

New England—Fair tonight and probably Sunday, moderate northwest to north winds.

Judgment in Royal Case Given

INTERESTING REVIEW

Intimation of Heintzy in Conviction if no One Was Being Attended to Except Official Who Went in to Report Violation

In the police court this morning Magistrate Ritchie gave judgment in the case against Thomas McDowen and Charles Warwick, reported for violating the Lord's Day Act by conducting their ordinary occupation as barbers in the Royal Hotel barber shop on Sunday, May 2. He found them guilty of violating the act and struck a fine of \$40 against them or in default of payment one month in jail. His judgment follows:

"This is another matter for violation of the Lord's Day Act. Under Section 12 of the said act, works of necessity or mercy are not prohibited, and in this section there are twenty-four cases cited that are to be considered either a work of necessity or mercy.

"The work of a barber for gain on the Lord's Day is not found among the exceptions of the act. Yet the expression, works of necessity and mercy is not to be restricted because of the cases that are cited in section 12. This would mean that there might be some cases which could be construed by the court as works of necessity or mercy, which are not included in the exceptions cited. In other words, something might be done that could be construed as a work of necessity or mercy although we could not find them among the twenty-four exceptions.

"The facts in this case are that in a barber shop situated in the Royal Hotel on Sunday, May 2, these two defendants were doing their ordinary business, carrying on their ordinary calling. It seems that when the young man, the witness, went to the barber shop in question there were two chairs occupied by customers. He was told later that it was his turn. He went into the chair and received a shave and a massage, for which he paid 50c. It seems that 'the hotel, for the accommodation of guests, has arranged that the barber shop be available for them between the hours of nine and twelve. The question whether or not a barber shaving a guest of a hotel in his room is such an act as properly comes under the Lord's Day Act may have to be considered when such a question arises in the court. This is not such a case. Whether or not the two persons occupying the chairs when the witness visited the shop were guests is not made to appear in this case.

"I have hesitated because of a circumstance disclosed by the witness, namely, that he went into the hotel and to the barber shop, it would seem, for the purpose of reporting the violation of the act. Had there been no person in the barber shop being shaved when he visited it, a judge might not unfairly still hesitate inasmuch as if there was no other violation of the Lord's Day Act, except the shaving of the witness, the defendants might exclaim 'lead us not into temptation.' However, under the evidence, I have found that the defendants were on the Sunday in question, carrying on the business of their calling for gain, and therefore there was a violation of the Lord's Day Act, and the penalty for each violation is the sum not exceeding \$40.

"Under the 14th section of the Lord's Day Act it might be well to note that an employer is liable on summary conviction to a sum not exceeding \$100, in this case the penalty will be \$40. In default of payment, one month in jail."

TURKS HARD HIT IN DARDANELLES FIGHT

Their Casualties Are Placed at 55,000—The Lord Nelson Back to Work

Athens, May 15.—Turkish casualties in the fighting at the Dardanelles are placed at 55,000 in a despatch from Tenedos today.

Forty thousand wounded Turks have been taken to Constantinople and suburbs. The struggle between the Anglo-French allies and the Turks continues fiercely on the Gallipoli Peninsula.

The Lord Nelson, which was reported to have been damaged by Turkish shells, has rejoined the line.

SOLDIER OF THE 26TH WEDS

A very pretty wedding took place on Wednesday when Rev. E. B. Hooper united in marriage Miss Jennie Gallant, of Alberton, P. E. I., and Walter Price, of Grand Falls. The ceremony was performed in St. Paul's parsonage and was witnessed by a few close friends. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Mary Gallant, and the groom was supported by his brother, Eldrie. Following the ceremony the bridal party repaired to the home of Walter McCloskey, Waterloo street, where a bounteous wedding repast awaited them. The groom is a popular member of the 26th Battalion.

AUCTION SALES

At Chubb's Corner at noon today, H. P. Potts sold by auction the assets of the estate of W. H. Esty for the benefit of the Westholm, Man., and in a lot of land in Westholm, Man., and in a lot of stock, Sask. were sold to James J. Stockard for \$11 and \$12.50, respectively.

A block of 100 shares in the Cod Mining Company was sold for five cents a share and twenty-five shares of the Rexall Gold Mining Company at forty cents.

Mr. Potts, at Market square, sold a five passenger touring car, which was bought by C. Ellis for \$800.

Revolution in Portugal?

London, May 15.—A news agency despatch from Madrid gives a rumor of a grave revolution in Portugal. One report is that a revolutionary committee is in control of the situation at Lisbon.

Gorky's Son Loses Arm

Paris, May 15.—Alexander Gorky, son of Maxim Gorky, Russian writer, was wounded while serving with the French army and has just had his right arm amputated.

Frank Coleman