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HAIG'S TROOPS AWAY TODAY ON ANOTHER OFFENSIVE

Bore Through Hun Lines, In Some Places To Mile Depth

Start at Six O'Clock in Morning - Germans Soon Surrendering by Hundreds; Crest of Important Ridge Gained by British

London, Oct. 4.—Field Marshal Haig has begun a new offensive east of Ypres. The official statement from British headquarters in France issued today says that the British attacked about six o'clock this morning on a wide front and are making satisfactory progress. Some prisoners already have been taken.

The British already have penetrated well beyond the Hamlet of Broodseinde, in which lie the cross-roads formed by the highways between Zonnebeke and Moorslede and Passchendaele and Beelaere.

Further to the south, Cameron Cove, where there has been much hard fighting, was left well in the rear. Today's battle was along the Passchendaele-Cheluvet Ridge.

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MILE DEEP THROUGH LINES
British Front in France and Belgium, Oct. 4.—(By the Associated Press)—Field Marshal Haig's forces in the offensive begun to the east of Ypres this morning in places have penetrated the German lines to a depth of one mile, and have overrun the crest of the Passchendaele-Cheluvet Ridge.

At an early hour the Germans were surrendering by hundreds. The northern wing of the onrushing British troops was battling forward this morning within a short distance of Poel Cappelle. It had a footing on the famous Gravenstafel Ridge, which juts out from the Passchendaele Ridge to the west.

FRENCH REPORT
Paris, Oct. 4.—"The night was calm," says today's official statement, "except on the right bank of the Meuse, where the artillery on both sides was very active."

London, Oct. 4.—A successful raid by British airplanes on hostile positions on the Macedonian front is reported in an official statement from the war office today. Hostile troops were scattered by machine gun fire, and one of several enemy airplanes was brought down. All the British machines returned safely.

Petrograd, Oct. 4.—On the northern end of the Russian front, in the region of Jacobstadt, an artillery duel of great severity is in progress, says today's official statement. On the Rumanian front, in the Poli-an sector, the enemy left his advanced trenches and retired to a more favorable position.

Russian Statement
Petrograd, Oct. 4.—(British admiralty, per wireless press)—A semi-official statement from Russian headquarters commenting on how, despite the difficulties involved by revolution, the Russian armies are still holding up the enemy, point out that since the beginning of the revolution the enemy's forces on the Russian front, excluding the Caucasus, have been increased by fifteen divisions and 640 guns.

The German Report
Berlin, Oct. 4, via London.—The official war announcement, issued last night, is as follows:
"Western theatre—There was artillery activity of varying intensity but not important fighting.
"Eastern theatre—There is nothing important to report."

Trade With Neutrals
London, Oct. 4.—The Associated Press learns that the proclamation prohibiting exports to Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Holland involves no new policy, but is only an extension of the principle heretofore followed by the allies. Its object is, briefly, to require licenses for the exportation of goods of all kinds, with the two exceptions mentioned (printed matter and personal effects).

Captain Redmond Wins D.S.O.
London, Oct. 4.—Captain William Archer Redmond, son of John E. Redmond, the Irish leader, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Order for gallantry on the night of Sept. 12-13, Captain Redmond is a member of parliament from the East Tyrone district.

BERNSTORFF CONNECTED WITH THE BOLO CASE
Washington, Oct. 4.—State department officials admitted today that they have evidence that Count Von Bernstorff, former German ambassador here, directed expenditure of the funds paid for Bolo Pass, but declined to reveal their evidence, although they may do so after the French government finished with Bolo's case.

DOCTOR DEAD; MINISTER DYING; BOTH HAD BEEN SHOT
Russellville, Ala., Oct. 4.—Dr. Tom Hughes, a prominent physician and surgeon, and Rev. J. T. Terry, pastor of the Methodist church, both of this city were fatally shot here, the former dead and the latter dying from gunshot wounds.

First Class To Be Called on Oct. 13

Ottawa Announcement of Drafting Under The Military Service Act

Ottawa, Oct. 4.—The first class of recruits under the military service act will be called up on Saturday, October 13. A proclamation will be issued on that date notifying men in Class 1 that, within a specified period, they are either to report for military duty or to file a claim for exemption.

It was at first intended to have the proclamation issued by the end of September, but unforeseen delays prevented such a course. The board of selection was unable to make its appointments to local tribunals and will not complete them till next week. The enormous mass of printing required has also been somewhat of a difficulty. Fifty classes of forms are required in connection with the administration of the act; and millions of forms and circulars have been printed. When the board of selection finishes its work, however, the board will meet again on Oct. 9—everything is expected to be in readiness for the call.

Says Definitely There'll Be Reprisals

London, Oct. 3.—(Delayed)—According to the Standard, a policy of reprisal for German air raids has been decided upon.
That such a decision had been reached by the British government was indicated by Premier Lloyd George's statement on Tuesday, that Germany would be bombed with compound interest.

FRENCH CONTINUE
Paris, Oct. 4.—Another aerial raid over Germany was made last night by French aviators. The cities of Frankfurt and Rastatt were bombed. The following official announcement was given out—
"In reprisal for the bombardment on Bar Le Duc our aviators bombed Frankfurt and Rastatt."

Rastatt is a town of 14,000, in Baden, fourteen miles southeast of Karlsruhe. This is the second attack on Frankfurt in the last week, since the French inaugurated their policy of reprisal raids.

DEMAND FOR REPRISALS IS WIDE SPREAD
British People and Press More Strongly in Favor of Air Raids on Germany—Lloyd George's Remarks Prove Popular

London, Oct. 4.—The possibilities and importance of air warfare have been dwelt upon in the British press and public opinion are now demanding that the policy of the passive defense for England and the watchword "composure," which the aviators and machine-fliers could not succeed in killing or maiming only an insignificant number of people as compared with the casualties on the battle front, have changed their policy.

What Londoners are asking is why they should undergo these experiences and the Germans be permitted to go free of them; why it is that a few British aviators and machine-fliers could not compel the German government to employ a large force for protection in its cities, and why should not the German people be threatened and harassed.

Hence the general demand for a counter-offensive of retaliation or reprisal in order to pay the German in his own coin. The voicing of the sentiment, of which the Archbishop of Canterbury has been one of the conspicuous spokesmen, because the Germans kill British women and children, is no reason why the British should kill German women and children, seems now to be little heeded and has almost been stifled. The English argue that they did not begin this form of warfare and that they did not wish to engage in it, but that they cannot be expected to submit to it without taking measures which will cripple the German air activities.

Premier Lloyd George's remarks yesterday that the Germans would be paid with compound interest seems to have popular endorsement.

CHAMPION COMES BACK AND WINS
Buffalo, Oct. 4.—Frank Taberski of Schenectady, pocket billiard champion, defeated Joseph Concannon of New York, challenger for the title, 450 to 392, in a three block series of games which ended this morning. Taberski overcame last night a big lead which Concannon had piled up in the two nights of play. He pocketed 277 balls to Concannon's ninety-two in the play last night.

THIRD TIME THAT PTE. N. R. TRUSWELL HAS BEEN WOUNDED
Mrs. W. R. Truswell of 63 Hawthorne avenue was notified from Ottawa yesterday morning that her husband was wounded on Sept. 22. The message did not state where he was wounded. This is the third time he was wounded. In February, 1915, was the first, and on March 18, 1915 he sustained gunshot wounds through the knee. This is his fourth time to be in France and he is only 23 years of age. He has been three years in the army. He went overseas with a prominent N. B. battalion. He lived in the Manawagonish road before enlisting and worked in the Partington pulp mill. Private Truswell has two brothers in khaki, Richard of the 8th Field Ambulance overseas, and Harry in the 8th Field Ambulance in St. John. He was born in Belfast, Ireland. The day before he was wounded he walked over to see his brother, Dick, in France.

FAIR AT MOOSEPATHTH
The St. John County Agricultural Society fair is being held today at Moosepath Park. A large number of people were in attendance this afternoon to view the exhibits, which are said to form one of the largest and best collections in recent years.

WEATHER REPORT
Issued by the Authority of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service
Synopsis—Moderate depressions are situated over Lake Superior and in the lower St. Lawrence Valley, while pressure is highest over the northern states. Fairly heavy rain has been almost general from the lake region to New Brunswick and a few light scattered showers have occurred in the western portions.

Forecasts
Fair; Showery at Night
Maritime—Fresh south to west winds, showery. Friday, moderate to fresh from south winds, fair to fresh during the day, showery at night.
New England—Showers this afternoon or tonight; somewhat cooler. Friday probably showers with rising temperature, moderate northwest winds becoming strong on Friday.

BIG WORK AT THE DRY LAKE
The renewal of the water main at Lake Fitzgerald, commonly known as the dry lake, is taking up the attention of Commissioner Wigmore. He expects to get the approval of the council and get the work under way in the near future. The pipe, he says, is in very bad condition, and the sooner the work is undertaken the better. A thirty-six inch pipe is to be installed for a distance of 2,240 feet. This, the commissioner expects, will take about three months to complete.

SIR LOMER GOVIN WON'T ENTER FEDERAL FIELD
Montreal, Oct. 4.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier arrived in Montreal last evening and met Sir Lomer Gouin, premier of the province of Quebec, at the Windsor Hotel by appointment. Sir Wilfrid, as usual, refused to be interviewed. Sir Lomer Gouin stated that he himself would not enter the federal arena.

MORE LIQUOR SEIZED
Eight more bottles of "booze" was the total result of seizures by Inspectors Crawford and Barrett yesterday and today at the office of the Dominion Express Company. The parcels had come in wrongly addressed.

PARLIAMENT ENDS COURSE; GUTHRIE SWORN IN AS THE SOLICITOR-GENERAL; JANUARY ELECTION?

Special to Times
Ottawa, Oct. 4.—Parliament was dissolved today by order-in-council. The proclamation will be gazetted on Saturday. There has been no date fixed for the election. This will be done at a later date and the election will likely be in January.

Hugh Guthrie was sworn in solicitor-general at noon. He will have to go before his constituents for re-election, but there is no likelihood of a bye-election being brought on. Hon. Mr. Guthrie will go with the rest in the coming general election.

PERLEY'S POST PERMANENT
Sir George Perley has become permanent high commissioner for Canada. He has been acting high commissioner since the death of Lord Strathcona in 1914. The acceptance of this post by Sir George vacates the post of Canadian minister of militia overseas which he has held since that office was created a year ago. It is understood that Sir James Loughheed will soon leave Canada for London to succeed to the Canadian overseas militia post.
(Canadian Press)

Ottawa, Oct. 4.—Parliament is dissolved as from Saturday. Hugh Guthrie has been sworn in as solicitor-general.
Le Soleil's Statement
Quebec, Oct. 4.—"Le Soleil" official Liberal organ, published today has eight columns heading that it has official authority to state that rumors saying Sir Wilfrid Laurier will leave the leadership of the Liberal party are absolutely void of foundation.
Invitation to Brewster.
Victoria, B. C., Oct. 4.—Premier Brewster has been invited by Sir Robert Borden to join a coalition government. He left here last night for Ottawa where he will confer with the premier. Mr. Brewster will go directly to the federal capital with as little delay as possible, and will discuss the question of his entering a national cabinet with Sir Robert Borden and western Liberal leaders who are already in Ottawa.

NO DATE YET FOR ELECTION, SAYS BORDEN.
Ottawa, Oct. 4.—At one o'clock today a proclamation was issued dissolving parliament as from Saturday. Announcement of dissolution was made to a Canadian Press representative by the prime minister. No date, the prime minister said, had been fixed for the election. This will be decided later, although it is unlikely the election date will be before January.

There was a further addition to the cabinet in Hugh Guthrie, Liberal member for South Wellington. Mr. Guthrie takes the portfolio of solicitor-general. Mr. Guthrie was sworn in a little before one o'clock. Sir Robert Borden said that no further changes had so far been made in the cabinet. He indicated that there would be no additional announcements just at present.
A cabinet council has been called for this afternoon. Western Liberals will meet in conference here tomorrow when the question of union government will again be under consideration. Whether or not any ministers of the prairie provinces will enter a union government, says Hon. J. A. Calder, still under consideration. From Vancouver comes the story that Hon. Mr. Brewster, prime minister of British Columbia, has been invited to join the Borden administration, but no confirmation of the report is available here.

Opinion still varies as to the retirement of Sir Wilfrid Laurier from the Liberal leadership. Prominent members of the Liberal party still question his retention, at any rate before the close of the campaign. It is reasonably certain that the opposition leader will take no definite steps until after his consultations in Montreal and Toronto.

MORE GERMAN LIES
Denial of Reports That Mexican Army Being Forced Into American Arms
Mexico City, Oct. 4.—The Mexican foreign office has issued an official statement that citizens of Mexico are not being pressed unlawfully into the American army. The announcement was made in answer to reports to the contrary, believed to have been fostered by German agents.

REPORT ON COST OF PRODUCTION OF BREAD HERE
Interim Statement by W. F. O'Connor to Minister of Labor—Cost in Various Cities
Ottawa, Oct. 4.—W. F. O'Connor, acting commissioner of cost of living in Canada, has issued an interim report to the minister of labor, giving some figures on the cost of production of bread in various cities. He has been conducting an investigation during the last six months into the milling industry in Canada, on which he will make an exhaustive report to the minister of labor soon.

The table showing the present cost of production of bread in principal cities of Canada reveals that cost of bread per pound is highest in Vancouver and New Westminster, B. C., viz., 7.88 cents; in Montreal the cost is 7.68 cents; in Halifax, 7.53; in Winnipeg, 6.85 cents; in Toronto, 6.60 cents; and in Ottawa 6.44 cents.

Mr. O'Connor notes that an increase in the retail price of bread has occurred during August and September in nearly all the largest cities of Canada. He says—
"The reason is obvious. Except in the case of St. John and Winnipeg the cost to the bakers of the flour used in August was higher than that used in July, despite the drop in price of flour and the drop in the price of wheat. The reason is that the bakers were using contract flour ordered, in many cases, last fall. The supplies of this contract flour are now practically all exhausted."
"Toronto, Ottawa, London and Vancouver purchased flour for current use at the current price in August. With the fixed price of wheat, will come without doubt a fairly uniform price of flour, which the previous calculation will show to be about \$1.40 in Ontario and Quebec for an exact patent flour. In the event of the fixing of the price of flour some supervision should be exercised to insure that a standard quality is maintained."
"The disproportionate cost of delivery is apparent. This is particularly striking in Montreal and Vancouver, where the delivery charge exceeds by nearly half a cent a pound the average of the ten Canadian cities reported. It is estimated that cost of delivering bakers' bread a day is \$8.00 in Montreal, \$5.00 in Toronto, and \$4.00 in Winnipeg, \$3.20 in Vancouver and \$5.00 in Ottawa.

Winnipeg and Calgary are fortunate in having had large supplies of flour purchased by their bakers at a low cost. The public have received the benefit of this.
"The investigation into the milling industry of wheat into bread costs is a subsidiary effort, and has covered a period of about six months. It has involved an examination into grain production, grain prices and the production and costs of all milling companies. The forthcoming report will show the capitalization and gross profits of such companies as well as their profits per barrel. It will deal with their operations (speculative and otherwise), in grain, showing their profits from these made upon the production of flour. So far as possible it will distinguish between export and home business. All the companies have made full and frank disclosure, the result of which are almost ready to be shown in tabulated form."

CONSULAR AFFAIRS OF RUSSIA IN STATES BEING RE-ORGANIZED
Washington, Oct. 4.—Russian consular and consular officials from all sections of the United States are in Washington discussing with Ambassador Bakhmetoff a general reorganization of Russian consular affairs in this country. The reorganization has been promised to introduce a bill embodying this minor reform, but several federal states now object vigorously to the bill, which should have been introduced at this session of the Reichstag, and its fate is doubtful.

ELECTORAL REFORM IN GERMANY HAS PROVEN BUT MYTH
Copenhagen, Oct. 4.—German newspapers report that the project for granting additional representation to the overgrown Reichstag districts and for introducing the principle of proportional representation in the large cities is on the rocks. The government, while flattery rejecting all other proposals of the Reichstag main committee for the reform of the imperial constitution, had promised to introduce a bill embodying this minor reform, but several federal states now object vigorously to the bill, which should have been introduced at this session of the Reichstag, and its fate is doubtful.

AT 81 HAS KNITTED MORE THAN 300 PAIRS OF SOCKS
An extraordinary record has been made by Mrs. Elizabeth Dickson of Hampton in knitting socks for the Canadian soldiers overseas. Mrs. Dickson will be eighty-one years of age on the 10th of this month, but is still keeping up the good work at the rate of nearly one sock a day. Since the beginning of the war she has completed no fewer than 308 pairs. She is a life member of the Red Cross. Mrs. F. G. Fowlowing of Hampton is a daughter.

WALL STREET NOON REPORT
New York, Oct. 4.—(Wall Street)—Important stocks were subjected to renewed pressure at the outset of today's operations. Equipments, motors, oils, tobaccos and local traction soon recorded losses of one to four points. Bethlehem Steel, yesterday's weakest feature, advanced a point in the early dealing, but soon lost its gain. United States Steel also held steady at the opening, but soon reacted a point. Rails were lower on more moderate offerings. The reversal became more general before the end of the first hour.