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Thirty Attacks In Five Days By French To Break German Lines

Terrific Efforts to Oust Kaiser's Army at Aisne and Oise Rivers Where Von Kluck's Position Causes Some Anxiety

Paris, March 1.—Terrific efforts are being made by the French to break the German lines in the Champagne district in order to force a retirement of the Kaiser's forces between the Aisne and Oise Rivers. In the last five days, at least thirty attacks have been made by the French against the German lines between Souain and Servo, north of Perthes, Beausjour and Lesbures.

The German armies lying in the angle formed by the junction of the Aisne and Oise rivers, will continue to be a menace to Paris until they are forced to retire. These armies are only forty miles from Paris, and if General Von Kluck could pierce the French lines with a sudden movement near Soissons, he could not only drive in the direction of Paris, but could split the entire French force in two. The French War Office regards the fighting in Champagne as being of vital importance as shown by the special pains taken to enumerate small gains.

West Flanders the Belgians are continuing their activity against the extreme German right, using both infantry and artillery in their attacks. Heavy artillery fire is reported from the district northeast of Amiens and south of the Lys, as well as from the valley of the Meuse.

In the Voignes mountains, the struggle for strategic points is becoming fiercer. The Germans have been reinforced with Landsturm forces united from southern Belgium where they had been used as patrols and guards for the lines of communications.

Canadians in Hospital.
London, March 1.—Recent entrants at the Shorncliffe Hospital are Corporal John Jacques, Privates Bristowe, Rooks, Jordan, all sick and Private Snyder, wounded, of the Patricia and Corporal Devre of the Canadian Engineers, sick. The hospital authorities also expected five more last night.

Ottawa, March 1.—While the news is filtering through slowly, what has come is of a character to confirm the report of the Canadians having been in active engagements at the front. That they have at least got on the firing line is a cause of much satisfaction here.

Arrangements are about completed for the second division. When it will go cannot, of course, be indicated, but the movements would suggest that it will not be long delayed. For the third contingent officers are being selected and the force is in process of enlistment.

GERMANS ADMIT LOSSES GREAT.
London, March 1.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Copenhagen wires: "Seven more lists of Prussian casualties are published. They contain the names of 11,618 officers and men killed, wounded or missing and bring the total of the Prussian casualties up to 1,102,212. To these must be added 150 Bavarian, 115 Saxon, 125 Wurttemberg and 19 naval lists."

Austrian Report.
Vienna, March 1.—The following official communication was issued today: "In Poland and Western Galicia there has been only artillery fighting. On the Carpathians in the region of Wyssok and also south of the Danister, fighting continues."

CHARGED WITH SENDING IN FALSE FIRE ALARM.
Fred Ross, who was arrested by Detective Killen on Saturday on a charge of ringing in a false alarm from Box 233 Wright street, was before Magistrate Ritchie in the police court this morning, and remanded to jail. Mrs. Ida B. Morrison testified that she saw him standing about on the evening in question and later saw him go over and put his hand on the box, after which the alarm sounded. He then hurried down the street, she said. The fire apparatus arrived from another direction. Chief Blake of the fire department testified about answering the call and found it a false alarm. As a result of information he received he notified the police and the arrest followed.

The defendant was detected several months ago by the late special patrolman O'Leary at a box on Smythe street when a false alarm was rung in.

FOR THE BELGIANS.
Mayor Frink has received for the Belgian fund the following contributions:—E. W. Spiney, South Knowlesville, per J. H. Barnett, Hartland, \$5; proceeds concert and pie social, Cornhill Division, number 376, per Arthur D. House, \$80.75; proceeds dance, ladies of Bath, N. B., per C. P. Furlong, \$30.20.

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

Moderately Cold.
Maritime—Fresh west to northwest winds, fair and moderately cold today and on Tuesday.

New England forecasts—Fair tonight and Tuesday, moderate northwest winds.

STEGLER'S WIFE NOW ARRESTED

Charge Is Assault on German Reporter

A Trap, She Declares—A New Phase of New York's Sensational Passport Fraud Case

New York, Mar. 1.—A young woman, who, according to the police, gave her name as Mrs. Annette Stegler, and is described by them as the wife of Richard P. Stegler, a prisoner in the Tombs in connection with alleged passport frauds, was arrested early today on a charge of felonious assault made by Arthur Matekiet.

The arrest was made in the Hotel Grenoble. Matekiet, who is said to be a reporter on a German newspaper, charged that the woman attacked him with a silver water bottle and also beat him with a cane.

Mrs. Annette Stegler has appeared prominently in the passport fraud charges in the defense of her husband, Richard P. Stegler. It was through her influence, she said, that Stegler gave up the idea of being a German spy and ceased him to make a confession in which he alleged that Captain Boyd, the German naval attaché, was behind his activity for the German cause.

The young woman said that she considered she had been trapped; that a woman friend of hers, Anna Hoffman, had called her up by telephone and made an appointment to meet her in the evening as she had something important to communicate.

When they met, she said, her woman friend was accompanied by two well dressed young men, who invited her in to their suite and later, she said, they went to the hotel for dinner. When Matekiet began questioning her regarding the passport fraud case a row occurred.

The young woman requested that Charles Griffith, who is counsel for Richard P. Stegler, be sent for. The police learned that during the night Matekiet several times called a German newspaper on the telephone and spoke to some person in German.

Mrs. Richard Stegler was discharged from the police station and taken to her home. She is expected to be released in a few days.

FURGING OF DARDANELLES SENDS WHEAT DOWN WITH A RUSH IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Ill., March 1.—Wheat prices made a sensational downward plunge today as a result of news that fifteen miles of the Dardanelles had already been forced, and that apparently the release of vast stores of Russian grain was only a question of short time, possibly not more than a fortnight.

The market standing after the news given to the fact that the Liverpool market showed an advance instead of a decline.

The rush to sell here was such that in some cases 1-3 cents of a break took place. The market was very active and quotations as a whole varied from 21-3 to 21-8 under Saturday night, with the market standing after the news about 81-4 lower than Saturday's final figure.

HOUSES SOLD BEFORE THEY ARE COMPLETED.
Armstrong & Bruce have sold the two new dwellings which they are erecting in Portland Place, thirty days before the completion of the buildings. The purchasers are local men who will each occupy a flat in the house they have bought.

LITTLE ONES DEAD.
Friends of Mr. and Mrs. William Whitley of Main street, will sympathize with them in the loss of their two-year-old son, which took place on Saturday afternoon at 10 o'clock. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Burial services were conducted by Rev. J. C. B. Appel, and interment took place in the Methodist burying grounds.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kelly, Pleasant Point, will regret to hear of the death of their only year-old child which took place this morning. The funeral will take place Tuesday afternoon.

PATRIOTIC FUND.
Subscriptions to the Canadian Patriotic fund from some of the employees of T. H. Estabrook & Co. are acknowledged by C. B. Allan for January and February, as follows:—H. L. McCavarr, \$2.50; L. H. Hanson, \$2.75; A. J. Simmons, \$1; J. W. Simmons, \$1; J. D. Garrett, \$2.50; H. O'Dell, \$1; F. S. Dinjee, \$1.15; Frank R. LeClair, \$1.05; Harold Dick, \$2.00; A. A. Carrick, \$1; A. Murphy, \$1.50; John Bewley, \$2.50; Thos. Daley, \$1; Edw. Mulahy, \$2; Murdoch Lamb, \$1; Les. Jones, \$1; Geo. Gallagher, \$1; Jos. Kelly, \$1; W. R. Miles, \$1; Leo Merritt, \$1; total \$37.45; P. B. Ellis, \$5; Mrs. F. B. Ellis, \$5, monthly.

TUG KITCHENER SAFE.
Advises received today said that the tugboat Lord Kitchener which had been reported overdue at Lunenburg, was safe in Barrington Passage, near Cape Sable.

SELLING AT AUCTION.
The stock of W. B. Fairweather, King Place Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the residence of her sister, Mrs. H. Nobles, after which interment took place in Cedar Hill.

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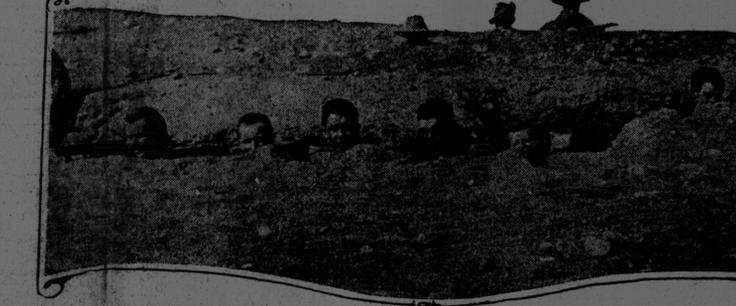
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Australians Fighting In Egyptian Trenches



The war in the shadow of the Pyramids—Australian soldiers of the British colonial troops, lying in trenches in Egypt.

ALLIES' WARSHIPS ARE 15 MILES UP THE DARDANELLES; TREMENDOUS STIR IN NEAR EAST

London, March 1.—The flags of Great Britain and France are now flying at the entrance to the Dardanelles over Turkish forts reduced by the seapowers of the allies.

While it would appear that the allied fleets, fifteen miles from the Mediterranean, the British press warns the public not to expect the immediate fall of Constantinople, nevertheless, the operations of the British and French warships, against the sea defences of Constantinople are creating a tremendous stir in the near east, Brousa in Asiatic Turkey, has been selected by the Turks as their new capital in case it becomes necessary to evacuate Constantinople. The Germans in Turkey, it is declared, wanted the Turks to move to Adrianople, in European Turkey, but the Turks started shipping their archives to Brousa.

PLENTY OF FOOD TO LAST A YEAR STORED IN ENGLAND.
Liverpool, March 1.—Never in the history of this port has the congestion of shipping been so great nor have the Liverpool warehouses ever been so crisscrossed with foodstuffs as at present.

The large number of opinion of importers here that even should the German submarine fleet prove effective there is enough food now stored to feed the country for a year.

A Portland, Me., paper says:—"There is a feeling that the greater part and perhaps all the steamships from there will manage to reach their destination and that their cargoes will be added to the wheat and provision reserve in Great Britain. Whatever a steamship sails now there comes reports that two or three British cruisers have been seen off the coast and it is assumed that they are doing patrol duty looking out for the Germans, and that as they are nearing the Dardanelles they are covered by warships, and it may be by British submarines."

The captains of the freighters do not propose to lose a steamer if they can possibly be helped, and they are confident of their ability to run from or to fight a German submarine as the case may be.

MAY AT FUNERAL OF HARRY D. DRISCOLL; A WEALTHY FLORAL TRIBUTE

A large number of sympathetic friends assembled at the funeral of Harry D. Driscoll, which took place from his late residence, in Broad street, this morning. Mr. St. John the Baptist church requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. W. Donahue. Interment took place in the old Catholic cemetery. Relatives acted as pall-bearers. The funeral cortege was long and impressive.

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MR. FERNS OF MONTREAL ASSESSORS HERE

To Speak on Assessment—Montreal and the War

J. Hamilton Ferns, chairman of the board of assessors of Montreal, arrived in the city at noon today and this evening will address a public meeting on the subject of assessment. The meeting will be held in the Seaman's Institute building under the auspices of the Board of Trade.

Speaking this morning of conditions in Montreal Mr. Ferns said the chief effect of the war had been felt in some of the larger manufacturing establishments and the railroad shops. Many of the factories and business houses had benefited instead of suffered on account of the large contracts for war supplies. Many orders had been placed in Montreal for the Canadian, British, French and even the Russian governments and this had helped the situation materially.

There had been talk of the amount of unemployment in Montreal but Mr. Ferns said that this was not due entirely to the war. Every year a large number of immigrants who had worked in the country during the summer drifted into Montreal to spend the winter, having spent everything else they had, and expected the city to support them. This condition had been aggravated during the present winter by the mild weather, which had deprived many men of the employment they usually could depend on in shovelling snow.

"One would not think that there was any serious lack of money in the city if one watched the places of amusement and saw their steady patronage," said Mr. Ferns. "So long as people have money to spend for amusements they cannot be very hard up."

Charles Collins in St. Rose's church, after which interment took place in the old Catholic cemetery, Lancaster Heights.

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GERMAN INVASION OF RUSSIAN TERRITORY HAS PROVEN FAILURE

Czar's Men Hitting Terrible Blows at Enemy--Von Hindenburg's Men in Dire Straits in Some Regions

London, March 1.—The Daily Telegraph's correspondent wires from Petrograd:

"It seems no longer premature to assert that the German invasion of Russian soil has definitely failed. The outstanding features of the situation are that the enemy has been forced into the defensive at almost every point along the Niemen-Bohr-Narev; that the centre has been completely smashed in at Przasnysz, and that, on a sector of thirty or forty miles, he is retreating rapidly here and there in disorder."

"Several Russian regiments, which have been following up the Germans day and night, have no detailed reports concerning themselves to the laconic statement that the enemy was returning into the possession of its rightful master at eleven o'clock on Friday night, and that the booty captured it was expected, would be considerable."

RUSSIANS HIT HARD.
Petrograd, March 1.—The German invasion of Poland North of the Vistula, appears to have been completely shattered. The Russians, on the offensive along the entire front from the Niemen to the Vistula, are dealing tremendous blows to the forces of Field Marshal Von Hindenburg.

Official reports here record Russian successes in all sectors. In some the Germans have been driven back eleven miles. In the Przasnysz region, where the troops of Grand Duke Nicholas have driven a wedge into the German centre and are advancing towards the East Prussian frontier again, the Russians are capturing village after village, taking from 500 to 800 prisoners in each. As a result of the fighting of the last five days, more than 18,000 prisoners have fallen into Russian hands. Also the Germans have lost many guns.

The Russian successes in the Przasnysz district have, as was predicted, forced the retirement of the Germans before Ostrowek, according to the latest reports received here. Before Grodno the Germans are also weakening and the Russians are making attacks upon their foes. The Grodno garrison is assisting in these operations.

The Germans encountered enormous difficulties on entering Russian territory and they seem to be in dire straits in some regions. Those taken prisoners say that several German corps have exhausted their ammunition.

ONLY TWENTY YARDS AWAY.
Petrograd, Feb. 28.—On official communication describes Russian feats in the recent fighting:

"As a German battery to the southeast of Przasnysz was impeding our offensive," says the statement, "Captain Gouffon sent over several armored automobiles under fire in the direction of a hostile battery, and at a distance of twenty yards they killed all the gunners. Captain Gouffon and his men were the very moment his valor had turned the battle in our favor."

RUSSIANS ARE DRIVING TURKS.
Petrograd, March 1.—The following statement was issued last night by the general staff of the army of the Caucasus:

"Our advance forces, driving the enemy before them, have reached the river Khopstach. There is no change in the situation on the other fronts."

THE PAINTER BU NED; THEY DRIFT TO SEA AND ARE LOST.

Strange Tale of the Deep Is Brought To New York

New York, March 1.—Six members of the crew of the Norwegian tank steamer La Habra, carrying a cargo of benzine, were lost at sea in an open boat which they launched in an effort to escape from flames which threatened their vessel, according to an unusual shipwreck story brought to this port today from Horta, Fayal, by the Holland-American freighter Zaaniky.

The fire aboard the La Habra was caused by an explosion of benzine while she was on her way from Talara Bay, Peru, to London, by way of the Panama Canal. The captain ordered the crew to face the boats and stand by. He said that the chief officer and five men were in a boat towing astern, when the painter burned off, and they drifted away without oars in a heavy sea.

The fire was extinguished by giant waves which broke over the ship, and the captain took her safely into Horta on February 7, by dead reckoning, for all his navigation instruments were burned.

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NEVER SO CONFIDENT AS TODAY, SAYS ASQUITH.

London, March 1.—Speaking in the House of Commons today, Premier Asquith made the declaration that at no time had the government been more confident than today, that the allies ultimately would achieve victory.