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# BRILLIANT SUCCESS FOR BRITISH AIRMEN

## FRENCH GAIN IN PICARDY: BETTER LINE IN FLANDERS

Poilus Strengthen Fronts as **Enemy Prepares For** Colossal Drive.

London, May 11.—French troops ad-anced their line slightly yesterday vening east of Locre on the Flanders ont, the war office announces.
The statement follows:
"French troops advanced their line slightly yesterday evening east of Locre and captured several prisoners. We carried out successful raids during the night west of Merville and brought ck a few prisoners and machine guns. raid attempted by the enemy east of pres was stopped by our fire.

JUST LOCAL FIGHTING. London, May 11.—The text of the war office statement issued tonight reads: "There was local fighting today at Aveluy Wood, north of Albert. Apart from hostile artillery activity at several points, particularly in the Vimy and Robecq sectors and south of Dickebusch, there is nothing further to resusch, there is nothing further to re

FRENCH GAIN IN PICARDY. Paris, May 11.—Heavy artillery fighting on the front below Amiens, in the egion of Grivesnes and Mailly-Rainelle, is reported in today's official com The French gained ground on the outhern side of the Picardy battle-ront, near Orvillers-Sorel, southeast Montdidier.

London, May 10.—Cabling to the New ork Tribune, Arthur S. Draper toight says:
"The Germans are making prodigiou preparations for their mightlest drive Activity as of a million ants behind th Teuton lines is revealed by aerial ob "Gen. von Ludendorff will make a su-preme effort to crush the British army. If he fails he will fall back once more

vestern front heralds the approaching

## STORM BOLT PLAYS TAG THROUGH HOME, **BUT HURTS NOBODY**

Lightning Rips Things Loose in Ingersoll House.

[Special to The Advertiser.] knob off a bed, damaging the telephone, and melting the wire, and causing a picture to fall from the wall, it took a zig-zag course, tearing eight holes in the wall. A fire was started in the dining-room floor, but was quickly extinguished. Mrs. Judd had a 235 trucks were run out of the danger agone.

Helped the French.

| Comparison of the damager started took a zig-zag course, tearing eight heavy shelling by the enemy. By making the connection 27 locomotives and 235 trucks were run out of the danger sunk in the harbor of Zeebrugge, the most important German submarune base. For the second time in a month a smoke

fighest, 34; lowest, 28. TOMORROW-LOCAL SHOWERS.

partly fair. The following were the highest lowest temperatures during the 24 ho

Stations, High.

Toronto Kingston ... Ottawa Father Point . 56 32
Weather Notes.

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The disturbance which was over the Georgian Bay yesterday is now dispersing in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. It has caused showers and thunderstorms and moderate gales from the great lakes to the Maritime Provinces with a change to much cooler weather and frosts in Ontario and Quebec.

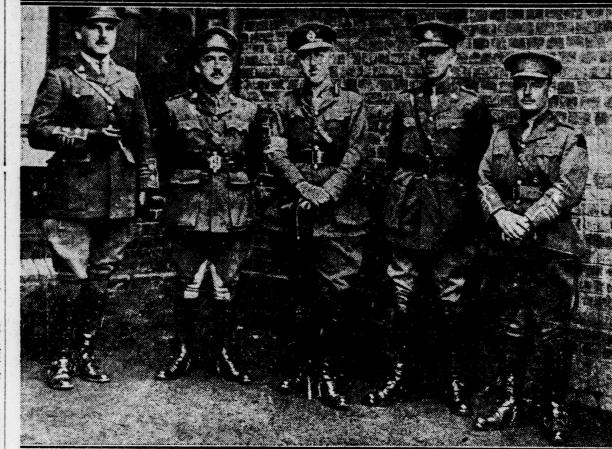
Quebec, May 11.—A report reached Quebec today that by the collapse of a large raft close to a score of log drivers where a constant of the lights. A heavy bombardment followed, beginning when we were about 2½ miles from the shore.

Delayed By Fog.

"By the light of star shells and searchlights our smoke stream was located. Then a fog came on and the alorge to much cooler weather culty of communicating with this remove a constant of the result of their recent high-handed action in the Ukraine. The people are reported to have turned against the occupying forces, and dispatches from best or short of the result of their recent high-handed action in the Ukraine. The people are short of the result of their recent high-handed action in the Ukraine. The people are short of the people are short of the result of their recent high-handed action in the Ukraine. The people are short of the people are short o

Cloudy

Young Londoner and Fellow Commanders of 1st Brigade



Lieut.-Col. Harry Nelles, M.C., officer commanding the 4th Battalion of the 1st Brigade, 1st Canadian Division, C. E. F., is at the left of the group of the four battallon commanders and the brigadier. This is the first picture of Lieut.-Col. Nelles received in London in two years. The young Londoner, possibly the youngest lieutenant-colonel in the Canadian or British armies, went overseas with the 1st Detached Company of the 33rd Battallon, and has been in France since that company was broken up into reinforcing drafts. His promotion from the rank of captain, which he held when he left London, has been rapid, and he has won the greatest commendation from the men under his command, the lunior officers and his seniors.

Lieut.-Col. Nelles is a son of J. A. Nelles of this city. Major E. B. Nelles, second in command of the 1st Battallon, Canadlan Garrison Regiment of this city, is a brother. Major Nelles went overseas as a captain of the 70th Battalion, and was invalided back through wounds. He has been adjutant and latterly a company commander of

A great chorus of big guns on the Remarkable Feats in Salving

tures and Thrilling Stunts
On the Somme.

Ottawa, May 11.-The following aricle by Roland Hill has been received

One company of Canadian railway troops of an Ontario battalion had the German submarine bases on amazing adventures during the British retirement. They were building lines at the extreme eastern limit of the British received and nights they retirement. They were building lines at the extreme eastern limit of the British retirement. They were building lines at the shore, according to the greatest pluck and determination.

Preparatory to the raid into Ostend the shore batteries. The work of the shore batteries. The work of the shore batteries. Ingersoli, May 11.—Serious damage was caused when a lightning bolt entered the house of Henry J. Judd. North Oxford, during a thunderstorm yesterday. The bolt entered near the chimney, and after meiting a brass knob off a bed, damaging the telephone and meiting the wire and caus.

TOMORROW—LOCAL SHOWERS.

Toronto, May 11.

Today—Moderate winds, gradually ising temperature.

Sunday—Some local showers, but arrive fair.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and was the sunday—some were the highest and was the sunday—some for the scottish-american. Mr. McDonald, who was 75 years on age.

Mr. McDonald, who was 75 years of age, had become wealthy through of age, had become wealthy through ican. Mr. McDonald, who was 75 years of age, had become wealthy through mining operations in Canada, and during a long residence there had been distinguished both for the quality of his verse and as an authority on Canadian political history. A brother, it was learned, lives at Lethbridge, Alta. He has been notified.

against the Zeebrugge mole on April 23 claimed the right to participate in the Ostendorper of the raid, and their wish was gratified. All the men on the Vindictive were volunteers from the Dover patrol.

At 3:15 o'clock the Warwick, flagship of Admiral Keyes, sighted a motor mcDonald's latest verses, "A Plea

posthumous offering. LOG DRIVERS DROWNED AS RAFT COLLAPSES

# Material of Allies. AIDED FRENCH TROOPS Cruiser Caught Under Searchlights, Raked Fore and Aft, But Crew Carries On—The But Crew Carries On—The Material of Allies. UNDER LEMIN Lem

London, May 11.—The old cruiser Vindictive went to her last berth, 150 to 200 yards within the piers forming the entrance to the harbor of Ostend, one of

runckely extinguished. Mrs. Juida had a narrow escape. The loss is covered by insurance.

Helped the French.

Their wanderings from Chauny took them to Noyon and thence to Applecture, when a barge was obtained from the Theory of the second time in a month a smoke for the second time in a month a smoke for the second time in a month a smoke for the second time in a month a smoke for the second time in a month a smoke for the second time in a month a smoke for the second time in a month a smoke for the wanderings from Chauny took them to Noyon and thence to Applecture, when a sea for the second time in a month a smoke for the wanderings from Chauny took them to Noyon and thence to Applecture, when a sea for the second time in a month a smoke for the wanderings from Chauny took them to Noyon and thence to Applecture, when the second time in a month a smoke for the wanderings from Chauny took them to Noyon and thence to Applecture, when the second time in a month a smoke for the second time in a month a smoke for the second time in a month a smoke for the cappulation, and the most important German submarize bases form Chauny took them to Noyon and thence to Applecture, the most important German submarize bases form chauny took them to Noyon and thence to Applecture, the most important German submarize bases form chauny took them to Noyon and thence to Applecture, the most important German submarize bases form chauny took them to Noyon and thence to Applecture, the most important German submarize bases form chauny took them to Noyon and thence to Applecture, the most important German submarize bases form chauny took down the canal to apple the provision that and sent down the canal to apple the provision and prove the provision of the ferman submarize base form chains and sent down the canal to apple the provision of the ferman submarie base form chaunty to a range of between 300 and 400 yards.

The Japanese war, Gen. Remembrate the locks. Twenty thousand feet on the locks and the provised rafts and under the guidan

submerged at an angle of forty degrees at the eastern entrance with her stem against the pier. While the vessel was being abandoned, two motor launches went alongside under a heavy machine gun fire and succeeded in bringing off the men, including the wounded.

All Were Volunteers.

A large number of the officers and men who took part in the operation against the Zeebrurge mole on April 22

At 3:15 o'clock the Warwick, flagship of Admiral Keyes, sighted a motor launch, which had on board two officers and thirty-eight men of the Vindictive. An officer who was on a destroyer described the operations.

"Up to 1:45 o'clock we heard nothing of the enemy," he said. "Then he sent up star shells and flashed his searchlights. A heavy bombardment followed, beginning when we were about 24 miles.

airmen were prevented from continuing from the

their safety to see that no one was left behind. One launch brought off two officers and thirty-eight men from the Vindictive. Another which subsequently went alongside took off a lieutenant and two ratings, who were wounded, while two other motor launches, also detailed for sent work kernelees to

detailed for scout work, kept close to the shore, their crews displaying the greatest pluck and determination.

"Our gunnars effectively bombarded an employee in the service wrote

## WESTMINSTER TP. DELEGATES ADDED TO COUNTY'S PARTY

Men Will Go to Ottawa to Protest M. S. A. Amendments.

the result of their recent high-handed action in the Ukraine. The people are

## BORDEN DROPS **SOME MOTIONS:** LACK OF TIME

Will Not See Censor or Customs Bills Through This Session.

COL. CURRIE WRATHFUL

Attacks Civil Service Federation for Activities Bearing on Reforms.

Ottawa, May 11 .- Sir Robert Borden announced, when the House opened this norning, that it was not intended to morning, that it was not intended to proceed this session with the proposed resolution to authorize the Speaker to censor the officel reports of debates.

The motion, Sir Robert said, was a corollary of the order-in-council respecting censorship tabled a short while ago. In view of the advanced state of the session it was not considered necessary to proceed with the motion. Next session it might be brought up again.

Drops Customs Bill.

Sir George Foster also stated that it was not intended to proceed further this session with the bill to amend the customs act, and to provide for the temporary control of exports and imemporary control of exports and im-

Announcement was furthermore made by the premier that the proposed resolu-tion was dropped which provides that "the working expenses of the Canadian "the working expenses of the Canadian Government railways and of any railway under the charge and management or direction of the minister of railways and canals, shall be paid out of the receipts and revenues of the said railway." The motion was discussed in committee some weeks ago and aroused considerable comment. considerable comment. Hon. Mr. Lemieux asked if the repor were correct that Mr. A. S. Decelles, parliamentary librarian, was to be superannuated, and Mr. Albert Sevigny appointed to his place. Sir Robert Borden replied that he had heard nothing

Civil Service Bill.

The House then resolved itself into committee for further consideration of the civil service bill. John Best, Dufferin, read a paragraph from a circular received by him from the Civil Service Rederation of Canada, in which he was Federation of Canada, in which he was appealed to to support the bill. The paragraph alleged that an influence was at work endeavoring to dissuade the Union Government from proceeding with the measure and that the Civil Service Sanity of "Jack" Roberts, gunman and illibreaker, who was arrested here so sensationally, is being questioned in the most important phases of the air corps, for the pilots are to British guns, and this represents one of the most important phases of the illibreaker, who was arrested for British guns, and this represents one of the most important phases of the corp. To courts. Late Friday afternoon the civil was arrested for British guns, and this represents one of the most important phases of the civil was arrested for British guns, and this represents one of the most important phases of the civil was arrested for British guns, and this represents one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was arrested for British guns, and this represents one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil was a present one of the most important phases of the civil measure and that the Civil Service pany.

But Crew Carries On—The Wounded All Taken Off By Motor Launches.

"A heavy fire was turned on the Vindictive. When at last she found the entrance to the harbor she ran her stem into the pier and was abandoned.

Gallant Launch Crews.

"The crews of the motor launches behaved in the most gallant manner, rushing in to shore utterly regardless of the motor to influence the members.

was called to order by the deputy speaker, who said the committee was considering the second clause. Col. John Currie declared that the man who wrote this insulting document should be brought to the bar of the House, and that the Government should not stand for an organization which was trying to influence the members.

Currie Quizzes.
Col. Currie proceeded to read the circular, interjecting comments as he went along. The circular stated, among other along. The circular stated, among other things, that it was important to the successful prosecution of the war that patronage be abolished in the public service. Col. Currie asked the Government if it knew of any organization which declared that if he was a minister and an employee in the service wrote him such a letter he would suspend him im-

monitors in this respect was park cularly fine. Altogether 200 shells fell within a few yards of two of the monitors, but neither was a hit made nor was a casualty caused. During the whole operation not on enemy craft was seen. At 2:30 o'clock, according to the program, the retirement was begun." such a letter he would suspend him immediately.

George B. Nicholson, Algoma East, said that in the circular the employees of the civil service were merely trying to represent their case to their employers, the people of Canada. They had a perfect right to organize and appeal as an organization, and any man peal as an organization, and any man who stood up and condemned them for

not be placed under the civil service tot.

Livil and Public Service.

At a meeting of the farmers of Westminster Township, held at the county buildings this afternoon, a number of township residents were named to accompany the delegation from Middlesex to Ottawa on Monday next.

The delegation, which will include nearly a hundred middlesex farmers, goes to Ottawa to protest against the drafting of farmers' sons.

THE WAR SITUATION

Whatever big move the Germans may be preparing for on the western battlefront they are finding an active and alert foe confronting them. The French official statement, in particular, fairly bristles with accounts of intensive artiillers and gain the lock.

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## BRITISH EAGLES WHIP FOE'S AIRMEN IN THRILLING CLASH

Charges Against Man

Arrested in London.

REMANDED TILL TUESDAY

Medical Evidence May Affect

Sentence Ihposed for

Shooting at Detective.

introduced which may affect the sen-ence of the man whose criminal record s exceptionally long.

Roberts' local connection, aside from

isposes of the case.

### TWO BRITISH PLANES WHIP TWENTY HUNS

With the British Army in France, May 10.—One of the most daring and magnificent bits of work ever done by the British battle-planes was carried out this week, when two English machines fought twenty Ger. man scouts to a standstill, destroying eight of the enemy and forcing several others to abandon the conflict because they had been so badly shot up. The British machines returned safely from this extraordinary engagement, having abandoned their attack only when their ammnuitio became exhausted at the end of a half hour of whirlwind fighting with machine guns.

The battle was staged last Tuesday evening, and these are tails of it, which now come to hand: It was about sundown that two British battle-planes, each with a pilot and observer, went wheeling across this part of the front in search of prey. They were well back of the enemy's line when they sighted seven German planes flying in formation. The hardy Britishers did not even pause to consider the odds against them, but turned the noses of their machines toward the enemy and raced in for the attack

## RUSSIANS DRIVE | ROBERTS' SANITY GERMAN FORCES QUESTIONED IN OUT OF ROSTOV TORONTO COURTS

Largest Don Cossack Town New Phase Enters Sensational Recaptured From Germans and Ukrainians.

London, May 11.-The situation in Ukrainia has become so disturbed that the Germans have dispatched large detachments of Bavarian cavalry from Flanders on the way to Ukrainia, the correspondent at Amsterdam of the Exchange Telegraph Company reports.

London, May 11 .- The Russians have

The capture of Rostov, the largest town in the Don Cossacks territory, was his sanity having been questioned, reported in the official statement from man is to be examined before the judge

## **MUST SHOW TICKETS BEFORE BOARDING OF ANY RAILWAY TRAIN**

Passengers Have To Do This After May 15.

IS WAR BOARD MEASURE

Object Is To Conserve Time of Officials in Charge of Transportation.

who stood up and condemned them for so doing was assuming an autocratic altitude which could only end in downfall. This bill was for the purpose of taking the civil service out of politics and should be supported for this reason. Col. Currie said that this federation published a paper which at time contained a torrent of abuse of the Government. It was a danger to the country when officials were allowed to organize and make raids on the treasury. In his opinion it was time the ministers put their foot down and suppressed it.

H. H. Stevens, Vancouver, asked why ed it.

H. H. Stevens, Vancouver asked why all employees of the Government should the time of the conductors, who are frequently called upon to issue many frequently called upon to issue and the called upon the called upon to issue many frequently called upon the called upon to issue and the called upon not be placed under the civil service frequently called upon to issue many train tickets because passengers neglect to purchase them at the ticket of-

## Fighting Against Heavy Odds. Haig's Fliers Tumble the Boches to Earth and Rip

Massed Ranks Behind Lines.

With the British Army in France May 11 .- (By the Associated Press) .-There has been much air fighting during the past few days, and the British airmen have fully sustained the great reputation they established early in the war. Scores of battles might be recounted in which the British triumphed All of these stories vary only as to de-

Huns Turned Tall.

Several days ago near Ypres one British machine attacked five Germans single-handed. The Britisher engaged wn, firing steadily into the helpiess ritan machine with his machine gun til the latter finally turned on its back d fell plummet-like. Another British plane was attacked by six enemy ma-chines which came at it from below and behind. The British observer opened fire at close range, riddling the lead-ing German machine, which dived and then burst into flames. This finished the work of the British pilot who got

away safely Bombers Busy.

But fighting planes are not the only ones that have been busy. The British bombing squadrons have been doing wonderful work destroying railroads. billets, ammunition dumps and benemy troops and transports. I high explosives have been of among masses of the enemy at among masses of the enemy at night, causing heavy casualties. The British machines also have been employed constantly in attacking the infantry from low altitudes with machine guns and in many cases veritable slaughter has resulted.

The artillery planes also have been doing invaluable service directing the fire of British guns, and this represents one of the most important always of the



## FOR MONSTER FARMER DRIVE ON COMMONS AMERICAN BATTERIES "FIRE" FOE POSITIONS

Ottawa Has Problem of Where To Put Delegation.

NOT ENOUGH ROOM

Ottawa, May 11 .- The arrival in the city of 2,000 farmers who are coming to protest to the Government against the M. S. A. will be a severe tax on the accommodation here. There are only a few hundred rooms available in which the men may be not up for the first.

regarding for on the western Datuit front they are finding an active and alert foe confronting them. The French official statement, in particular, fairly bristles with accounts of intensive articles with accounts of intensive articles, the potential of the pote

## planes remained in the air. The Brit-ish had used up all their ammunition in the furious melee, however, and

Villages Held by the Germans Are Heavily Bombarded by Sammies.

With the American Forces on the French Front, Friday, May 10.—American batteries bombarded the enemy lines heavily last night, the shells causing fires in the villages of Cantigny and Mesnil-St. Georges, held by the Germannian German patrols continue active along the front. One attempted to rush American outposts but was driven off. An American outpost caught a German trench dog. The pouch about the neck contained a message that the German retaliatory fire was falling short, and that many of their own shells were landing in Cantigny.

## **CANADIAN CASUALTIES**

N. W. Rowell, Col. Labatt, whose case has been criticized in Parliament because he is paid a salary of \$5,000 a Hamilton; 21 M. Winters, Simcoe; 226017 Died-302713 George Riddle, Thorold, Ont. Wounded-117425 Sergt. J. K. Moffatt,

### Engineers. III—2276 F. F. Bolton, Elmira, Ont. FIVE YEARS FOR 'FRISCO CHAMPION OF KAISER

San Francisco, Cal., May 11.—Otto Janson, son of the head of the Janson Iron Works of Oakland, was sentenced to five years' imprisonment at McNeil's Island, Washington, yesterday by Judge Dooling, following a plea of violation of NEW BLACK ROD.

London, May 11.—Five trains loaded with American troops arrived in London this morning. They were marshaled at the Wellington Barracks for their march through the streets of London today.

The troops will be reviewed by King George at Buckingham Palace.

NEW BLACK ROD.

London, May 11—(Via Reuter's Otton do to replace the one used in the Canadian to the Black rod to replace the one used in the Canadian the Canadian Senate, which was destroyed during the fire at the House of Parliament in Otton of the Wellington Barracks for their march through the streets of London today.

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NEW BLACK ROD.

London, May 11—(Via Reuter's Otton to replace the one used in the Canadian Canambers at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, on Friday an order was made by J. A. C. Cameron, master, changing the venue of the Chapman vs. Excelsior Life action to London. C. M. Garvey for the plaint to London. C. M. Garvey for the plaint to France might be drowned. Threats against high Government officials were also attributed to him.