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NORRIS GOVERNMENT SWEEPS MANITOBA

Warsaw Was Given Up to Save City From Bombardment

RUSSIANS PREPARING FOR STRONG DEFENCE OF NOVO GEORGIEVSK

Liberals Elected - - 40
Conservatives Only - 5

RUSSIA DECIDES TO DEFEND BIG MODERN CAMP

Fortress of Novo Georgievsk to Hold Out Against Germans.

COMMANDS RAILWAYS

One of Most Interesting Sieges of War About to Begin.

LONDON, Aug. 6.—With the exception of the great entrenched camp of Novo Georgievsk, the Russians have evacuated the whole line of the Vistula River, leaving the southern fortress, having fallen into the hands of the Austro-German army, the Russians are now making their way eastward to the Brest-Litovsk line.

The decision of the general staff to leave the garrison in Novo Georgievsk is announced in Petrograd despatches. The object is to deprive the Germans of the use of the railway communications and of the Vistula River for bringing up supplies for their armies.

Strong Fortress.

Novo Georgievsk is situated at the junction of the Vistula, Narew and Wkra Rivers to the northeast of Warsaw. It has two powerful bridge-heads, eight citadels and 24 redoubts containing eleven and twelve-inch batteries. It is calculated by military authorities here that an army corps can hold out there for many months, as the camp is protected by massive earthworks.

The laying of siege to Novo Georgievsk may prove the most interesting operations of the war, as it doubtless will show whether earthworks are less susceptible to the fire of high explosives than are cupola forts.

Destroyed Vistula Bridges.

Of the retiring the official reports say nothing. The Russians, however, destroyed bridges over the Vistula and took other means to place obstacles in the way of their pursuers, while others of their force continue to offer stubborn resistance to the Germans and Austrians. The north who are trying to forge a ring around them. The general opinion here is that the Russians commenced their retirement in time to escape this inner ring, but they have yet to reckon with the wider outflanking movement from Lomsa, which if successful would turn the Brest-Litovsk circle.

Another Menace.

An even more serious menace seemingly is Gen. Von Buelow's advance in the Baltic provinces. While, according to Petrograd, the Germans have been thrown back immediately south of Riga, they have not yet further advanced east of Poneviesch toward the Dvinsk-Vilna-Petrograd railway.

Some critics believe this move means that the Germans, unless they succeed in smashing the Russian army, intend to make an effort to advance further into Russia, and endeavor to force Emperor Nicholas to accept a separate peace. With the history of previous invasions of Russia before them, however, it is believed in other quarters that the German staff would hesitate at such a tremendous undertaking.

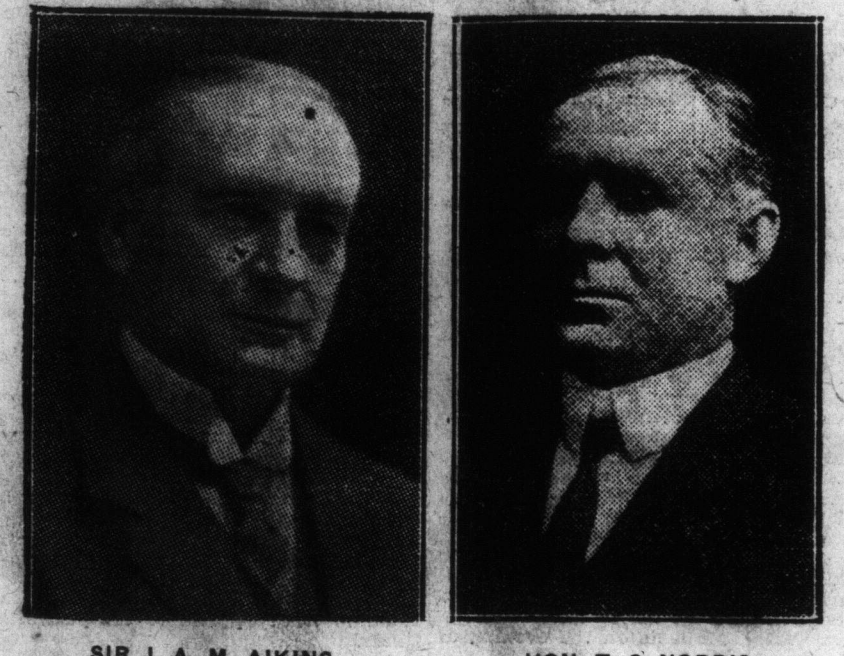
The Crop Destruction in Ontario

The damage done to the crops of Ontario by the widespread rain and wind storm of Tuesday will prove to be enormous, the farmers will be well able to survive it.

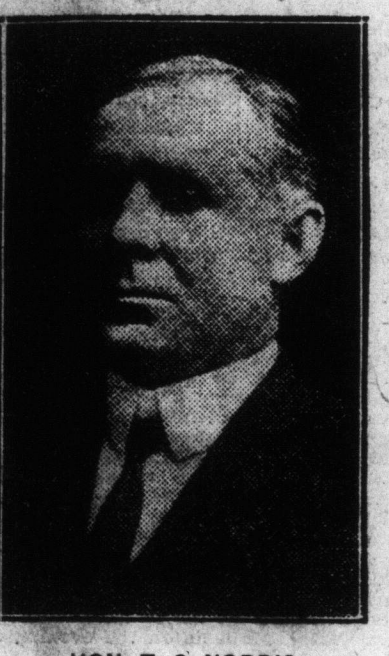
But what with the loss caused by grain fields that were prostrated and will not ripen, with other fields that will either shrivel the grain or develop sprouting or smut, still other fields that the crop cannot be fully reaped because of the matted condition and with the almost universal deterioration in the quality as a result, our farmers at best will not realize two-thirds of the value that seemed in hand on Monday of this week. That must mean sixty millions of dollars at least!

We do not know what the department of agriculture of the province is doing under the circumstances; we do not know whether they have got the appalling facts collected; but we do think that there is a chance to do something to help the stricken farmers by advice, by consultation with the best authorities and ascertaining what can be done to make the best of the situation. There are good ways and bad ways in handling the fields after such a visitation of dryness and storing grain, of marketing it, of using it; and the administration in the Queen's Park have a chance to come forward and help out what is a staggering blow in many counties.

PARTY LEADERS IN MANITOBA



SIR J. A. M. AIKINS
Conservative leader, defeated in Brandon.



HON. T. C. NORRIS
Premier of Manitoba, elected in Lansdowne.

GREAT ACTIVITY BY GERMANS IN ARGONNE WOOD

Fighting With Bombs and Other Explosives Resulted in France's Favor.

GUN FIRE EXCESSIVE

French Positions in Lorraine Also Bombarded by Teuton Batteries.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

LONDON, Aug. 6.—The main incident on the whole French front today was a bombardment of the French trenches in the western part of the Argonne forest with shells of all sizes by the Germans throughout the day. The French artillery and trench guns returned this bombardment.

This bombardment followed fighting during the night with bombs and other explosives supported by artillery actions. The neighborhood of Hill 213 was a particular storm centre.

The Germans attempted to move from their trenches at Fontaine-aux-Charmes and in the direction of St. Hubert, west of this hill, but they were checked by the French fire as soon as they emerged from their burrows.

Artillery Actions in Artois.

Artillery actions also took place in Artois, between the Somme and the Oise, and in the Alsace valley, and also in Apremont forest.

Hand grenade engagements took place last night around Souchez while a German attack at Neuville St. Vaast was easily and quickly quashed.

Two German attacks at Boise Maut, on the heights of the Meuse, were repulsed in the night. Hand grenades and artillery fire played a prominent part in driving out the enemy.

German attacks at Reillon, in Lorraine, were repulsed by the Germans and two German aviators threw down ten bombs on Fraise Village, in the Meurthe valley, killing two women and a soldier.

The day and preceding night were passed quietly in the Vosges.

NO BULGARIAN PACT WITH TURKEY MADE

Important Negotiations Going on Expected to Swing Balkan States Into Line.

LONDON, Aug. 6.—In diplomatic circles, great interest attaches to the negotiations that are going on in the capitals of the Balkan states. The ministers of the quadruple entente powers at Nish, Serbia, following the example of their colleagues in Athens, have had a conference with the Serbian Government. Simultaneously Sofia has denied the repeated reports that an agreement had been reached between Bulgaria and Turkey.

ARABIC SAFE IN LIVERPOOL

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—The Arabic arrived safely in Liverpool at 4 p.m. today, according to a cable despatch received by the company late today.

URGED USE OF NIAGARA POWER TO DEFEND U.S.

Matter Discussed by New York Legislative Commission.

TO MAKE MUNITIONS

Germany Saved From Early Defeat by Its Waterfalls.

Special to The Toronto World.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Aug. 6.—Niagara power as a national defence, the propositions of the lower Niagara Power Company, Niagara County Irrigation Company and the abrogation of the present power treaty between the United States and Great Britain, came before the New York State Legislature Commission in session at Prospect House across the river today. The commission leaves tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock for Toronto en route to Sault Ste. Marie, to investigate power conditions there. They will return late next week. At that time the various questions will be discussed thoroughly.

J. Boardman Scovell, appearing for the Niagara County Irrigation and Water Supply Company, introduced the national defence phase.

"It is the duty of the United States as a matter of military defence," said Mr. Scovell, "to see that water diverted from the Niagara produces power to its utmost efficiency. And that all the water that may be diverted without impairing the scenic grandeur of the cataracts is diverted. Niagara power would have a most important part in the defence of the nation in the time of war."

Waterfalls Saved Germany.

"Germany would today be out of the war had that nation not developed three waterpowers," continued Mr. Scovell. "That nation used three"

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FREIGHT TRAIN JUMPS TRACKS NEAR BRANTFORD

Roadbed Torn Up Considerable Distance, No Lives Lost in Mishap.

BRANTFORD, Aug. 6.—A Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo freight train jumped the track at a switch near the local station at 4 o'clock this morning, resulting in the roadbed being torn up for a considerable distance. It is thought that an obstacle placed in the frog of the switch caused the accident and an investigation has been begun.

MARINES FOR HAITI.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—Nine hundred marines will be sent to Haiti on the cruiser Tennessee. An announcement at the navy department today says the force is being increased in order to lighten the work of those already there from the rigors of the tropical climate.

MANITOBA'S VERDICT UNMISTAKABLE

OPPOSITION IS ALMOST BLOTTED OUT

SIR JAMES AIKINS IS AMONG DEFEATED

RESULT IN MANITOBA

Liberals (40)	Conservatives (5)	Socialists (1)
Assiniboia.....J. W. Wilton	Morden and Rhineland.....Hon. Val Winkler	Carillon.....A. Prefontaine
Arthur.....John Williams	Norfolk.....John Graham	Iberville.....Aime Benard
Beautiful Plains.....W. R. Wood	Porcupine.....E. A. McPherson	Morris.....Jacques Parent
Birtle.....G. H. Malcolm	Rockwood.....Arthur Lobb	Roblin.....F. Y. Newton
Brandon.....S. T. Clement	Russell.....W. W. Wilson	St. Rose.....J. Hamelin
Carillon.....T. B. Molloy	St. Boniface.....Joseph Dumas	
Cypress.....Dr. Myles	St. Clemente.....D. A. Ross	
Dauphin.....Dr. Harrington	St. George.....Skull Sifstusson	
Deloraine.....Hon. Dr. Thornton	Swan River.....W. H. Sims	
Dufferin.....E. A. August	Thurtle Mountain.....Geo. McDonald	
Elmwood.....Dr. T. G. Hamilton	Tirden.....Dr. Geo. O'Mahoney	
Emerson.....D. Blackerly	Winnipeg North.....R. N. Lowery (A)	
Gilbert Plains.....E. B. Findlater	Winnipeg Centre.....Hon. T. H. Johnson	
Gimli.....E. D. Furley	Winnipeg South.....Hon. A. B. Hudson	
Gladstone.....Hon. Dr. Armstrong	Winnipeg West.....W. L. Parrish	
Glenwood.....James Braskey		
Hamiota.....J. H. McConnell		
Kildonan.....		
St. Andrew.....Geo. W. Prout		
Killarney.....E. M. Hayden		
Lakeside.....Lt.-Col. McPherson		
Lansdowne.....Hon. T. C. Norris		
Minnedosa.....George Gieserson		
Mountain.....J. B. Baird		
Manitou.....Geo. T. Armstrong		

SOMEBODY MUST WAKE UP

The Conservative party had better stop and think rather than the leaders in office better stop and think. And they are in office only at Ottawa, in Toronto, in New Brunswick, in British Columbia. The Province of Manitoba passed out of Conservative control yesterday in a startling and more than sudden way. The Roblin record simply sickened the people of that province, and the ill-advised effort to confess purgation under Sir James Aikins ended in a landslide. That worthy man, in his knight-hood, his policy, his sudden conversion to progressive ideas, was a product of the Ottawa administration. That's why the federal Conservative leaders must think.

The people of Manitoba have selected a party that in its provincial program relied on a highly organized and equally low-down machine: a machine that was geared up with the saloon and foreign element; and an administration that was propped up by the wholesale selling of public service and not on the basis of exploitation of the public. We are leading America today in fighting for liberty and we have the chance of leading in effecting a still nearer freedom for our own people in railway service.

The new banking and financial policy, and the new railway policy, must be designed to meet the requirements of the west. Farming there must be regenerated, more stores of a still better type must be constructed in our wheat fields and to our live-stock opportunities, the public resources and franchises must be conserved.

And these things, finances, railways, reorganization of the west, are only three of many other things that call for state-ship for courage, for new and progressive ideas, for new conditions, and for men who believe in these progressive ideas and have not been afraid of them.

There are some who think that the only way out is the reorganization of the government on national lines, of taking in the best men of both parties, and making both parties responsible for the new legislation and policy that is called for, and to carry out which a three-year extension of the life of the present parliament may be necessary. If not this, then, in the light of what happened yesterday in Manitoba, the Conservative party must be reconstructed in its leaders and policy and its aggressiveness.

Sir Robert Borden is probably doing necessary work in England, but there are very pressing things here at home. It's time to call out, "Wake up, Canada!"

SIXTY 'VICTORY SHOTS' SALUTE FIRED AT BERLIN

Occupation of Warsaw Thus Hailed by Gen. Von Kessel, Military Governor.

LONDON, Aug. 6.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Co. sends the following: "A Berlin despatch states that Gen. Von Kessel, military commander in Berlin, ordered a salute of sixty 'victory shots' fired at noon today in honor of the taking of Warsaw."

Rushing Out Stock of Summer Hats at Dineen's.

Deep price cutting on the ground floor and basement: at 140 Yonge street has contributed to the recent busy days at the popular and progressive Dineen store. There's still a good choice of high grade straw and Panama selling at half price as well as extra quality felt hats by leading English and American makers unusually cut in price to clear the way for incoming fall shipments. Then there are outing caps, motor dusters and the indispensable raincoat selling at quarter prices. Certainly Dineen's will be a busy centre today right up to 10 p.m.

Not More Than Five Conservatives Elected in Forty-six Constituencies Voting Yesterday, With Three Elections Deferred—Sharpe Beaten in Manitou—Huge Liberal Majorities in Winnipeg.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 6.—The Norris government was tonight returned to power with the greatest phalanx of supporters ever known in Manitoba. Every member of the government was elected by a substantial majority, while out of the 46 seats being decided the results at midnight tonight show only five seats which can be safely placed in the Conservative column, and of these five there are four French-Canadians.

Sir James Aikins and W. H. Sharpe, his right-hand man, were beaten by big majorities, while only five of the former supporters of the Roblin administration regained their seats in the house. The seats claimed by the Conservatives and conceded by the Liberals are Carillon (A. Prefontaine), Iberville (Aime Benard), Morris (J. Parent), Roblin (F. Y. Newton) and Ste. Rose (J. Hamelin).

All forecasts and pre-arranged ideas were jumbled up in the results. Seats historically Conservative, and where it was believed no Liberal could possibly win, joined the slide and went Liberal. The result was startling even to the most optimistic supporters of the Norris government.

SOME HUGE MAJORITIES.

Liberals are elected by enormous majorities in Centre Winnipeg, the Conservative candidates in every case losing their deposits. The greatest individual majority was rolled up by Hon. Tom Johnson, minister of public works, in "A" seat, Centre Winnipeg, being over 4200 ahead of Norquay, final figures being about 6400 to 2200.

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LESSON IS WHOLESOME ONE PARTY WILL BE BENEFITED

Special to The Toronto World.

WINNIPEG, Aug. 6.—The Winnipeg Telegram, regarded as the official mouthpiece of the defeated party, takes an optimistic view of the Liberal landslide and says that in the end it will do the defeated party good. The Telegram ascribes the defeat to the fact that the voters were incapable or unwilling to distinguish between the rejuvenated Conservative party and the former Roblin government, which retired to private life some weeks ago. Other things also contributed to encompassing the defeat, says the Telegram, among which it enumerates the absence of a good many Conservatives at the polls, the opposition of the liquor interest, and the fact that the naturalized German and Austrian voters of the province were led to believe that the Conservative party was to blame for Canada's participation in the war. The Telegram says there is ample proof that seditious arguments were used by Liberal speakers in districts where the foreign vote abounds and urges that the incident should not be allowed to pass unnoticed.

Election Was Forced.

The election, his everyone knows, was brought about by public sentiment which refused to be satisfied with the arrangement entered into by the retiring Roblin government and the incoming Norris administration a few weeks ago. Had this opposition to the deal not manifested itself the Norris party would have been left in uncontented control of the government and enough Conservatives would have regained their seats to give the new government a working majority. The Norris government, however, were forced to go to the people and the people themselves have now given them a popular mandate, and one which is sufficiently emphatic to leave no room for dispute," says the Telegram.

Norris Has Free Hand.

"What the Norris government will do with the power that has been placed in their hands remains to be seen. Whether they will be wise and avoid the mistakes and worse of their predecessors only time can disclose. There will undoubtedly be a disposition upon the part of the people to give Premier-elect Norris and his advisers every opportunity to show what they can do in working out the destinies of the province. The opposition is not strong enough to offer captious criticism, even if it were disposed to do so."

The Telegram condones with Sir James Aikins, whose defeat, it says, is less of politics, and urges the party to continue its advocacy of the principles set forth in its platform, which it says will in the end be accepted by the people.

EVACUATION OF WARSAW TO AVOID BOMBARDMENT

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

LONDON, Aug. 6.—"Warsaw was evacuated in order to save the town from the effects of a bombardment." This is the reason given by the Russian Government and war office for this military step, in a statement received here from Petrograd tonight. The statement adds that the fruitless attempts of the enemy to extend the zone in his occupation is only being continued in the region of Matzietze.

German Repulse in Courland.

In Courland the Russians repulsed the Germans yesterday between the Dvina and Niemen Rivers. Apparently the enemy has been driven back a considerable distance in this sector. In a desperate battle on the Narva front yesterday the Russians held up the advance of the Germans along an extended front by a series of vigorous counter-attacks. About six and a quarter miles from the Narva River the Russians captured several hundred German troops. The battle in this sector continues with great violence.

Fierce Contest Near Bug.

Fiercely contested battles on the front between the Vistula and the Bug Rivers took place yesterday, especially east of the military road from Travnik to Viadova. The Germans concentrated on the Russian lines the fire of their massed artillery, which obliged the Russians to withdraw a little to the north. Quietness prevails along the middle Vistula since the retreat of the Russians to the right bank.

Austrians Report Little.

The Austrian version of the fighting is that they and the Germans have made progress northwest of Ivangorod and that the pursuit battle continues between the Bug and the Vistula Rivers. Earlier in the day an Austrian semi-official statement said that the Russians were sacrificing men needlessly, trying to retard their advance. The Austrian command tacitly admits that not many Russian prisoners have so far been taken by saying that the impression prevails at headquarters that they will take many prisoners.