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## STILL AWAIT SIGNAL FOR GREAT CLASH ON THE WESTERN FRONT

### Artillery Pounds Away In Thunderous Duels and Airmen Are Everywhere

### British Have Made Marvelous Record in the Air During Early Days of March; Many Hun Machines Sent Hurling to Destruction

British front in France and Belgium, Tuesday, Mar. 12.—(By the Associated Press).—This has been another day of ideal fighting weather, but there has been no change in the situation. The British and German military machines—tuned to the finest pitch and probably as nearly perfect as it is possible to make them—are still awaiting the signal which will send them crashing against each other.

Meanwhile the artillery pounds away in thunderous duels at various points and aerial airmen are busy bombing, photographing and acting as eyes for the respective armies.

### MARVELLOUS WORK BY AIRMEN.

The British airmen have been doing marvelous work recently. The first ten days of March, as a whole, have been among the best yet recorded for the service. During that period, in addition to a vast amount of reconnaissance and photography, the intrepid Britishers destroyed thirty-nine German airplanes and brought down forty others out of control, despite the fact that the first two or three days of the month were so stormy that aerial activity was virtually impossible. Against this total, fifteen British machines are reported missing.

Yesterday another fine record was made, but the official figures are not yet available.

There have been many air battles and virtually all have occurred behind the German lines, which means that the British airmen have been destroying the aerial war vigorously into the enemy territory.

### GERMANS ARE ON THE MARCH INTO FINLAND

### Abo Occupied by A Strong Detachment—Advance Guard Also in Odessa

Petrograd, Mar. 13.—A strong German detachment is reported to have occupied Abo, on the coast of Finland west of Helsinki. The Germans immediately began to march into the interior of Finland.

The advance guards of the Germans are reported to have entered Odessa, the greatest Russian port on the Black Sea, and the centre of a great agricultural section. The German advance through Moldavia and Besarabia has been virtually unopposed.

### An American View.

Boston, Mar. 14.—"It is significant that all the forces in this country opposed to sending Japanese troops into Korea are those that look to a pro-German or anti-British stand on other issues," said Brigadier-General John A. Johnson, commander of the department of the north, today in a statement on the American attitude toward the Russian situation.

"Of course," he continued, "there are other considerations to be taken into account, but that the forces are opposed to it is one good reason, in my mind why we should be in a state of readiness to meet the Japanese. Russia is our friend and ally, and it is our duty to protect our property there and our friends."

"Lieut.-Colonel Wm. V. Jackson, who has just returned from Russia, told me that he had talked with many of the more intelligent Russians of all parties and that without exception they feared Japanese intervention because of the possibility that it might crystallize public opinion in favor of the Germans."

### German Uneasiness.

Amsterdam, Mar. 13.—Some sections of the German press are becoming uneasy over developments in the Far East. The Frankfurter Zeitung considers that the breaking up of Russia into independent states is a bad policy for Germany, and urges the greatest tact and prudence be used in dealing with the border states so that they will not "in the future sign for a reunion with Russia and become so many thorns in Germany's side. The newspaper adds: "Clearly the Entente policy is to use the Japanese alliance to shove Germany out of Asiatic markets forever. Germany played their game by breaking up Russia. Germany now has no more hope than ever of being able to conduct a far eastern policy except in conjunction with Great Britain and Russia. That is why a weak Russia will not contribute to Germany's ultimate welfare."

### The Aland Islands.

London, Mar. 14.—The people of the Aland Islands have sent an appeal to the Finnish government and the German and Swedish monarchs asking that their wishes be considered before the final peace conference is held, citing the Copenhagen correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company. The request is made that a plebiscite be taken.

### MISS FANNIE CONNELL.

Many will learn with regret of the death of Miss Fannie Connell, formerly of Dorchester, which occurred yesterday afternoon at the residence of her cousin, Miss Nellie Connell, 409 Main street. The will take place tomorrow morning at 8.45.

## Women and Children Crushed To Death As Huns Raid Paris

### Sixty-Six Die in Panic as They Crowd To Subway for Refuge; Victims Total Hundred or More

Paris, Mar. 14.—The official statement on Monday night's air raid says: "The number of victims of the bombardment is now known. In Paris twenty-nine were killed and fifty injured; in the suburbs five were killed and twenty-five injured. Unfortunately, to these must be added sixty-six others who were crushed to death by a crowd in a panic at the entrance to the Metrogopolis subway station, where they were seeking refuge. These last victims of German barbarism are almost entirely women and children. The hospital was damaged seriously by bombs which killed six and injured seven. "The points where the bombs fell, both in Paris and in the immediate neighborhood, were not very numerous as a large number of enemy machines were forced to retreat before the artillery barrage. They dropped projectiles in suburban districts for a great distance from Paris.

"During the raid four German aviators were brought down within our lines. Three of these were of the Gotha type, while the fourth was an ordinary two-seater. One of the Gotha machines was destroyed by fire and the pilot and crew were not injured. Two policemen were killed and three injured in the raid. One of the German police-men was awarded the military medal."

## Would Have Appointment Of Police Magistrate Given Into City's Hands

### Commissioner McLellan Gives Notice of Motion and Makes Statement as to Reasons—Grants For Travelers' Aid And Catholic Girls' Guild Applied For

Matters of importance were dealt with at a committee meeting of the common council this morning. Commissioner McLellan gave notice of motion to place the appointment of the magistrate in the hands of the city. A communication was read from Messrs. Barnhill, Dewey & Sanford saying that on behalf of the Booth Fisheries Co., Ltd., they desired to notify the city that they had accepted the offer made by them. The matter of issuing deeds to Fred Belyea for lots 3 and 8 in West St. John was also discussed.

## FOR PREVENTION OF FOOD WASTE

### Canada Food Board Makes Important Announcement of Course of Action

Ottawa, Mar. 14.—The following official statement was issued this morning by the Canada food board: "Waste of any food or food products resulting from carelessness, manner of storage, or any other avoidable cause, is now illegal and subject to penalty. Municipalities are obliged to enforce this regulation within their respective municipal limits. An order-in-council has been passed embodying these provisions which were recommended by the Canada food board and recommended to the cabinet council by the minister of agriculture.

"The Canada food board is given power under the order, if it has reason to believe that food in any warehouses, stores, private houses, buildings, premises, ship, railway car, or other conveyance, is likely to become unfit for human consumption, require its immediate sale, and such other disposal as will prevent further deterioration or loss of the food. If the owner, or person controlling such food, upon receipt of such notice does not at once comply with the terms of the order, he may be liable to imprisonment for violation of any of the provisions of these regulations or of any order made thereunder, as a fine not exceeding \$1,000 and not less than \$100 or imprisonment for not more than three months, or both fine and imprisonment. Provision is made that where proceedings under these regulations are instituted at the instance of any municipal officer, the fine shall be paid to the treasurer of such municipality. Where the proceedings are instituted at the instance of any provincial officer, the fine shall be paid into the provincial treasury."

### WILLIAM CHARLES ALLEN.

General regret was expressed this morning when it was learned that William Charles Allen of 261 Wentworth street had died in the General Public Hospital. He was in usual good health until about two weeks ago when he entered the hospital to undergo an operation. Mr. Allen, a man of very fine character, was born in Bedford, England, and came to this country about fifteen years ago. He was well known about the city and was employed with Emerson & Fisher, Ltd., as foreman in the Linsmith department.

Mr. Allen was a member of St. James' church and took an active part in church affairs. He was a vestryman for some years. He was also a member of the Portland Lodge, Sons of England, and of the Canadian Order of Foresters. Besides his wife he leaves three sons, William and Roy at home and Robert, now in England, a member of an overseas battalion, and two daughters, Mrs. Charles Willis of this city and Miss Katie at home. The funeral will take place on Sunday afternoon from St. James' church at 2.30 o'clock.

## WEATHER REPORT

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

Synopsis.—The depression mentioned yesterday is now centered in the Ohio Valley, causing snow and rain in the peninsula of Ontario. Elsewhere in Canada fair weather prevails.

Lakes and Georgian Bay.—Fresh to strong winds, shifting to northwest and west, snow and rain, clearing during the night; Friday, generally fair, not much change in temperature.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence.—Fresh east to north winds, snow and rain, clearing during Friday.

Lower St. Lawrence, Gulf and North Shore.—Fair and moderately cold today, snow on Friday, turning locally to sleet.

Snow and Rain.

Maritime.—Winds becoming strong to moderate local gales easterly, snow and rain tonight and on Friday.

Superior.—Fair and moderately cold; Friday, fair with stationary or a little higher temperature.

All West.—Fair today and on Friday, not much frost.

Washington.—Rain and warmer tonight.

Friday, generally fair and somewhat colder, fresh to strong east to south winds, shifting to west and northwest Friday.

## Another Zeppelin Across; 5 People In Hartlepool Killed

### Raider's Bombs Fall Mostly Into Sea; Two British Aviators Fight Five of Enemy Over North Sea and Bring Down Two

London, Mar. 14.—In an air raid last night it dropped four bombs on Hartlepool. Six dwellings were demolished there, and thirty were damaged. Five persons were killed and nine injured.

The following official statement was issued today: "Only one airship crossed the coast last night. It dropped four bombs on Hartlepool. The raider, which was operating at a great altitude, remained over and only a few minutes after the remainder of its bombs appear to have fallen into the sea.

Six dwelling houses were demolished and about thirty damaged. The latest police reports state that the following casualties occurred: Killed, one man, one woman, three children; injured, three men, one woman, five children."

### FIRST CAUCUS OF OPPOSITION

Party Members in Conference in Fredericton

### SOME LABOR MATTERS

Delegation Presents Resolutions to Government—Jordan Sanitarium Estimates This Year About the Same as Last

Fredericton, Mar. 14.—The opposition members held their first caucus of the session at noon.

A delegation from the provincial labor convention waited on the government this morning to present resolutions adopted. The delegation consisted of the president, J. L. Sugars, and Messrs. Kemp, McDonald, Melanson, Wilson, Stone, and Crawford.

Among the matters discussed was the new workmen's compensation act, proposed health department, a request for a provincial industrial disputes act, free school books, and the raising of permissible alcohol percentage in beers to 2.5 per cent.

F. J. G. Knowlton, chairman of the commission on the operation of a workman's compensation law for the province, was in Fredericton today to confer with the government regarding a bill which will be introduced at this session.

The House resumed at three o'clock, and the following resolutions were presented: The chair-sible alcohol percentage in beers to 2.5 per cent.

A meeting of the Jordan Memorial Sanitarium Commission was held this morning. Hon. C. W. Robinson presided, and Hon. J. A. Murray, Dr. A. E. McAvaney of St. John, Hon. C. J. O'Brien and the superintendent, Dr. David Townsend, were present.

The business was the preparation of estimates, which will be about the same as last year. Reference was made to the progress of the work on the new wing indicated in the standstill committee of the session, and to the first time this session, Hon. J. H. Borell presided.

## RESOLUTIONS BY THE FARMERS

### They're Against Daylight Saving—Want Guaranteed Price For Pork—Food Controller Condemned

Fredericton, N. B., Mar. 14.—The Farmers' and Dairy-men's Association this morning heard addresses by W. R. Reek and J. H. Gridale.

Resolutions introduced are against daylight saving, in favor of some French speakers at the next meeting, in favor of a law to prevent the running at large of bulls, urging the provincial government to give a bonus of twenty-five per cent. on game purchased in the province as an aid to greater production, that the federal government guarantee a price of twenty cents a pound for pork during the next two years, for greater practical agricultural education in the schools, condemning the food controller, urging that the millers be compelled to abandon their policy of forcing the purchase of flour together with every lot of flour, urging that the restrictions on the importation and manufacture and sale of oleomargarine be restored immediately on the conclusion of the war.

### MRS. JAMES S. BAILEY.

Mrs. Janet E. Bailey, wife of James S. Bailey, of Kingsclear, died this morning. She is survived by her husband, one son, Frank, one brother, William Edgar, of Kingsclear, and four sisters, Mrs. John Gilman and Miss Belle Edgar of Fredericton, and Mrs. A. W. Fleming of Woodstock.

### UNDER THE M. S. A.

Sub-Inspector Frank L. Phillips of the Dominion police left this morning for Edmonton. He took with him Sgt. William Litterick, who has been detailed to that district.

## GERMANS ATTACK HOSPITAL SHIP; FORTUNATELY FAIL

London, Mar. 14.—The hospital ship Guilford Castle was attacked unsuccessfully by a submarine in the British Channel as fully announced today.

"The British hospital ship Guilford Castle, Captain Thomas M. Lang, R. N. R., homebound, was unsuccessfully attacked by an enemy submarine at the entrance to the British Channel at 5.30 p. m. on March 10. She was flying Red Cross flags and had all her hospital lights on.

"Two torpedoes were fired at the Guilford Castle, the first missing and the second hitting the vessel's bow. Although badly damaged, she was able to reach port. There were many sick and wounded on board and they were transferred to a hospital."