

# RUSSIANS CAPTURE TOWN OF OROMARU, CAUCASUS

## TEUTONS FAIL IN COUNTER-ATTACK NEAR ZONNEBEKE

### Russians Capture Town of Oromaru, 24 Miles West of Mori in Caucasus — British Clear Out Enemy from Strong Positions—Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Make Remarkable Stand.

London, Sept. 28.—Another German counter-attack was made last night against the new British positions near Zonnebeke. The attack was broken up by the British, the war office announces. The statement follows: "Last night another counter-attack by the Germans against our positions in Zonnebeke was broken up by our rifle and machine gun fire and artillery. South of Tower Hamlets and south of Polygon Wood isolated strong positions, in which parties of the enemy were holding out close to our position, have been cleared up. "We killed or captured several Germans without loss to ourselves in carrying out a successful raid last night eastward of Chery. "The enemy's artillery showed considerable activity during the night south of Lens. "The artillery on both sides has been active on the battle front."

#### Russians Take Town.

Petrograd, Sept. 28.—The Russians have captured Oromaru, twenty-four miles west of Mori, in the Caucasus, it is officially announced.

#### Brave Scotchmen.

British Front in France, Sept. 27.—(By Associated Press)—The two companies of Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, who made such a remarkable stand on Tuesday and Tuesday night in the face of overwhelming odds

against German attacks in the neighborhood of the Ypres-Menin road, and who were mentioned in the official report for the great gallantry, are the heroes of the hour along the front. They were finally relieved by advancing troops from their isolated positions, where they had been cut off by the Germans in the early operations. Their unit was involved in furious German counter-attacks which were begun on Tuesday morning, probably in an effort to disrupt the expected British offensive. They were attacked about dawn by elements of four German divisions. So bitter was the enemy assault that the British troops were bent back, but the two companies of Highlanders refused to give ground and clung stubbornly to their positions in the face of terrific blows from the enemy.

The battle raged all morning. About 2 o'clock in the afternoon the British counter-attacked and fought their way forward until they had re-established themselves in practically all the ground lost. But they were still some distance short of the two companies, who valiantly held their own. All afternoon and throughout the night the Highlanders stuck to their posts, although the enemy continued to rush forward in an attempt to dislodge them. And here this handful of intrepid Scots were found and rescued when the British advance swept forward at daybreak on Wednesday morning.

#### PORT ELGIN.

Port Elgin, Sept. 27.—Mrs. W. M. Spence is spending a few weeks in Halifax with her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Redmond.

Miss Laura Silliker who has been the guest of Mrs. Thomas Magee, has returned to her home in Middle Sackville.

Dr. and Mrs. Meserve of Watertown, Mass., are spending a few weeks here, the guests of Mrs. Meserve's sister, Mrs. Frank Copp.

Mrs. Hanford Read is visiting friends in McAdam and St. John.

Miss Lila Dobson of Sackville has been the guest of Miss Chris, McLeod.

A number from here attended the

at home given at Bale Verte Thursday afternoon by Mrs. J. W. Allison of Halifax who is spending the summer there in their beautiful bungalow recently erected. Among those present were Mrs. George Copp, Mrs. E. P. Goodwin, Mrs. Colin Goodwin, Mrs. Joseph Prescott, Mrs. Vaughan, Miss Siddall, Miss Hurlley, Mrs. Robert Prescott, Mrs. Harry Prescott, of Bale Verte, Mrs. M. Spence, Mrs. Thomas Magee, Mrs. C. R. Oulton, Mrs. H. R. Carter, Mrs. Walter Turner, Miss Ruby Read, Mrs. C. H. Brown, Mrs. Frank Copp, Mrs. Colin Matheson, Mrs. C. S. Atkinson, Mrs. B. C. Atkinson, and Mrs. Tompkins, of Port Elgin and Mrs. Wilson, St. John, Mrs. (Dr.) Meserve, Boston, and Miss Laura Silliker, Sackville.



Hindenburg: "Ve wants you to sink der Kanadian Ship of State and leave no trace."

## Sein Fein Party In Ireland Extending Its Organization

### Continuously Hopeful Feeling That Irish Convention May Hammer Out Good Workable Scheme of Self Government—Colonial Plans of Home Rule Being Considered.

Dublin, Sept. 17.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press)—The Sein Fein party in Ireland is extending its activities and is forming local clubs everywhere throughout the country. It still remains, however, rather a pervading sentiment than a definite organization. Some speakers continue to preach revolution by armed forces, while others appear to aim at a program much nearer the limits of practical politics. The Associated Press correspondent has talked with some who are very influential in the movement to whom a free Ireland under the Crown is quite a welcome idea, provided that it does not mean subjection to a British cabinet. This is not so very far from home rule that Canada enjoys.

#### Hopeful Feeling.

There is a continuously hopeful feeling that the Irish convention may hammer out a good workable scheme of self-government and the conviction is growing that if it does produce an acceptable plan the irreconcilables will be left without followers. Meanwhile the military authorities are treating the situation on the assumption that the extremists mean what they say. Drilling is absolutely prohibited, and those who engage in it are court-martialed and sent to jail. Arms have been seized everywhere.

#### Home Rule Plans.

The convention is still busy with the discussion of colonial schemes of home rule, and there do not seem to be any prospects of an early decision. The delay is not caused by any friction between the parties. It is felt to be demanded by the necessity of the case. The motto in the mind of its conductors seems to be "slow but sure." The slowness is indeed regarded by wise judges inside and outside the convention as a rather hopeful sign. Everybody is anxious for a settlement that can be offered to the country with a reasonable hope that it will capture all sections of Irish feeling and provide a basis for a government of Ireland in which all can cordially join.

## FOUR CABINET MINISTERS TO RETIRE SOON

Messrs. Burrell, Roche, Crothers and Kemp to Leave Government.

## SIR ROBERT TO RETURN SUNDAY

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Sept. 28.—Sir Robert Borden will return to Ottawa probably on Sunday evening after a short furling holiday up the Gatineau and it is expected that the question of cabinet re-organization will be taken up immediately. The only certainty as to the new ministers appears to be concerning Hugh Guthrie, Liberal, of South Wellington, and it is believed that he will be given the portfolio of customs, Hon. Dr. Reid going to the Public Works Department.

It is doubtful if there will be any further negotiations with Premier Sifton of Alberta. Hon. J. A. Calder of Saskatchewan and T. A. Crerar of Winnipeg from the point of view of the formation of a union government. Their sincerity has been questioned and there appears to be a disposition rather to negotiate with Premier Norris of Manitoba. Hon. Edward Brown and Isaac Philbado of Winnipeg. Other names prominently mentioned are E. P. Davis of Vancouver and C. C. Bantyne of Montreal. Messrs. Rogers and Patenaude have already resigned from the cabinet and it is expected that four others will follow, namely, Messrs. Burrell, Roche and Crothers and Sir Edward Kemp.

## ENLISTED IN AMERICAN LEGION IN CITY, NOW REPORTED WOUNDED

### J. V. Currie Wounded in Back and Neck—Lieut. Barnes Presumed to Have Died—Other Casualties.

Mrs. H. B. Duke, 247 Rockland Road, received the following telegram from Ottawa yesterday: "Sincerely regret to inform you that 1023076, Pte. John Victor Currie, infantry, officially reported admitted to 11 General Hospital, Comiers, Sept. 19th, 1917, gunshot wound head and back." Private Currie was a ward of Mrs. Duke's. He enlisted in the city in the American Legion. Shortly after his arrival in England he was transferred to another battalion and has been in France since February. Prior to enlisting he was in the employ of Barnes & Company, of this city. He has two brothers in the service of their country, Roland and Robert. The last named is a member of the navy.

#### Two Brothers Wounded.

James Campbell of Upper Blackville has three sons in khaki. Two of the boys have been wounded, Herman and Nathaniel. Charles, the other son, has so far escaped the German shot and shell.

#### Presumed to Have Died.

According to the casualty list sent out from Ottawa, Lieut. R. H. Barnes of Hampton is "presumed to have died."

#### Admitted to Hospital.

William Akery of Pennfield has received official word from Ottawa that his son, Lance Corporal Aubrey Akery, who has been wounded and gassed, on Sept. 8th, has been admitted to a Canadian hospital in France.

#### In Serious Condition.

Word was received yesterday by Mrs. Amelia McBeath, 92 Harrison St., that her son, Gun. Donald McBeath, who enlisted with the 7th Siege Battery, and who was previously reported seriously wounded on the 3rd of Sept., but later on the 10th, as being out of danger, is now in a serious condition, suffering from shrapnel wounds to the stomach and liver. Gun. McBeath previous to his enlistment, was employed in the chemistry department of the Sugar Refineries. The young man was only 20 years of age and was very popular amongst a large number of friends.

#### Is Convalescing.

Sergt. Major R. L. Dibblee of Norton is in hospital in England, convalescing after an operation. He left St. John as a corporal and gained his promotion by hard work and efficiency.

#### With the 62nd Regiment.

The boys of the 62nd Regiment, quartered at the West Side, intend to hold a concert on Monday night for the regimental fund. The programme will consist of several numbers lasting probably an hour after which the floor will be cleared for dancing.

## MUCH SYDNEY HAY DECIDEDLY WET

### Chief McCormack Seizes Several Thousand Dollars Worth of "Red Eye."

Sydney, N. S., Sept. 28.—A freight car full of liquor valued at some thousands of dollars, was seized by Chief McCormack and several police officers today. The raid was one of the largest pulled off in Sydney in years. The car that contained the liquor was labelled hay, but one of the police officers discovered a slyen wagon transporting a considerable quantity of wet goods from the car.

Thirty-four typewriters at once sold to one firm in St. John. How that for the Remington Prestige? A. Milne Fraser, Jas. A. Little, Mgr., 57 Dock street, St. John, N. B.

## NEW BRUNSWICK POTATOES FOR UNITED STATES

### Forty Cars Sent Across the Line Last Week—Ruling Price Paid Farmers in Province Expected to Be \$1.50.

A prominent Montreal potato broker said yesterday that he did not see how the food controller could set a price of \$1.35 for potatoes, if the United States acts with Canada, the matter would, of course, be better, but as it is at present United States buyers are offering farmers more than dealers feel disposed to pay, and large quantities of potatoes are being shipped to the United States as comparatively high figures. Forty cars last week were shipped from New Brunswick.

He does not see how the farmers can be asked to take less than one dollar per bushel, which would make the retail price in the neighborhood of \$1.50. The farmers, also, he continued, would be much chagrined over the refusal to them, as they would be forced to take such a small amount of their crop.

The potato crop in the Province of New Brunswick is expected to be good. It is freely predicted that \$1.50 per barrel will be the ruling price during the autumn and winter.

## DEALER SELLS MILK AT NINE CENTS PER QUART

### Mr. Stevens Says He Gets It Direct from Farmer—Cuts Out the Middleman—Points Out How Other Dealers Can Do the Same.

Asked last evening by The Standard as to how they were able to sell milk at nine cents a quart, when their competitors were asking from ten to twelve cents a quart, Mr. Stevens of the People's Market, Brunswick St., replied that his milk was brought direct from the farms to his store, thus cutting out the middleman. The People's Market gets its milk from farms on the head road. Mr. Stevens stated that they made a cent and a half profit on each quart which was sold for nine cents, and he was of the opinion that the dealers selling for ten and twelve cents a quart were not making any more profit despite the increased price of their milk, this being due to the middleman who had to have his slice of the profits. He thought that if the other dealers got their milk from the farmer direct they could make a good profit, and at the same time sell their milk at nine cents a quart. In closing he stated that in time he would be able to sell milk to other dealers at a wholesale price that would enable them to retail it at nine cents a quart and still make a good profit, as soon as he closed contracts now pending.

A statement was given to The Standard last evening by a local man to the effect that while he was in the vicinity of Norton recently, a farmer told him that he had eight cans of milk that he could not send to the city because he had not received information that the city was well supplied, consequently he had to feed the milk to his live stock.

For fifty years, in unbroken succession, the St. John Business College has conducted evening classes during the winter months. These classes are so popular and have proved so useful that they are always looked forward to by those wishing to make the best use of their evenings. They will re-open Monday, October 1st. See advertisement 4.

## WEEK-END SALE OF Fall Weight Overcoats

### Friday and Saturday Only

A clearance of odd coats, broken lots, and others that have been carried over. Blacks—Plain and silk front; Gray Cheviots and Worsteds; S. B. Tweed Overcoats and Slip-Ons.

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## THE WEATHER

Maritime—Moderate to fresh southwesterly to westerly winds; a few light scattered showers, but generally fair; not much change in temperature.

#### MINIATURE ALMANAC.

August Phases of the Moon	
Full moon	3rd 1hr. 11m. a.m.
Last quarter	9th 3hr. 56m. p.m.
New moon	17th 3hr. 21m. p.m.
First quarter	25th 3hr. 5m. p.m.

#### MARINE NOTES

PORT OF ST. JOHN, N. B. Arrived Friday, Sept. 28, 1917. Strs Grand Mannan, North Head; John L. Cann, Westport; Packet, St. Martins; Scho Regina C. Meteghan River; Susie N. Port Greenville; Cleve B Daley, St. Martins.

Cleared. Strs Grand Mannan, North Head; John L. Cann, Westport; Connors Bros., Chance Harbor; Scho Rolfe, Cheverie; Susie N. Port Greenville; Regina C. Meteghan.

Paris, Sept. 28.—The supreme court has rejected the appeal of a Dutch dancer, Mata Hari, condemned to death as a spy by court martial.

#### DEATHS.

KEIRSTEAD—At Belleisle Creek, on Thursday morning, Sept. 27, Mrs. Amanda Keirstead, widow of Jacob I. Keirstead. Funeral Saturday afternoon.

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### Several Strong and Determined Launched by German Completely Broken by Intendians.

Ottawa, Sept. 28.—The militia department today gave out the following account of the brilliant work of the Canadian corps in the fighting around Lens, including the capture of Hill 70:

Since the last report was written, the Canadian Army has added a new and very remarkable success to its long list of brilliant achievements. The formidable position known as Hill 70, covering the approaches to Lens from the northwest has been cleared.

Despite the enemy's assertions to the contrary, the casualties incurred by our troops were light, largely as a result of measures taken to induce the enemy to distribute the fire of his artillery over areas outside the limits of our attack.

During the early part of August continual rain and wind made operations on a large scale impossible, but preparations for the attack were carried on steadily so far as conditions permitted.

#### Brilliant Achievement.

On the night of the eighth-night August, a small party consisting of an officer and twenty men, surprised the enemy's outposts in Lens, and, without loss to themselves, accounted for the whole garrison.

The somewhat elastic state of the front in this area during the period produced a situation of great interest in which the troops holding the line were fully alerted. They readily adapted themselves to the somewhat abnormal condition, and as a result of their individual skill and enterprise, gained important ground at small cost.

Meanwhile preparation for the attack had been completed, and at 4.25 a.m., August 15, two Canadian divisions attacked the enemy's trench system on a front of 4,000 yards from the Lens-Bethune road northwards to Bois Hugo.

#### Covered By Ruins.

Our final object consisted of a line of German trenches which ran east of Cite St. Elizabeth and Cite St. Emile, then eastward to the defenses of Cite St. August and east of Boisse Rasse.

#### VOTE OF APPRECIATION TO POLIGEMAN P. C. HOGG, AGE LIMIT FOR CHAUFFEUR

Chauffeurs and Repair Men's Union Praise Officer for Reporting Under Age Drivers and Unlicensed Chauffeurs—Claim Many Drivers in City Under Age Limit.

A well attended meeting of the Chauffeurs and Repairmen's Union was held last evening in the Oddfellows' Building, with president C. Jones in the chair. A motion was passed that section 2 of the "Motor Vehicle Law and Regulations of the Province of New Brunswick" be published to the people who would know what the law said concerning persons under the age of 18 years driving motor cars. Section 2 reads as follows:

"No motor vehicle shall be operated upon a public highway or thoroughfare (excepting (A) By a registered owner where not more than three individuals are registered as such owner. (B) By the wife, son or daughter of a registered owner, only a bonafide member of his family and inmate of his household. (C) By a licensed chauffeur. (D) By a person accompanied by a chauffeur.

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