

EARLY MESSAGES

BRITISH AND FRENCH LOSSES.

LONDON, May 10. The bulk of the German reserve is still in the rear of the Somme front and it must be assumed the enemy's main effort will be in that direction, said a representative of General Delma Radcliffe, Chief Director of Military operations at the War Office, in summing up the week's war developments to-day. It is equally certain he must continue his attacks in Flanders. In the period between March 21, when the German offensive was begun and April 25, the losses of the French were only one-fourth to one-fifth of those of the British. Since April 25th there has been no reason to believe the losses of the French have been any heavier than those of the British. The British losses since March 21 were estimated on May 4th by the British military mission at Washington at nearly 250,000. This information was given out in refutation of German propaganda assertions that the French have been bearing the brunt of the battle.

BRUGES CANAL BLOCKED.

LONDON, May 10. Regarding reports that German submarines have been unable to enter Flemish ports and have had to return to Germany, Reuter's Limited says it is unable to obtain confirmation in naval quarters. Photographic and other evidence from Zebrugge shows that Bruges Canal is still blocked as a result of the British raid of April 23rd, and that it cannot be used. The obstructions it has been found better placed than at first supposed. German attempts to clear the waterway are meeting with no success as a result of British air activity and other causes.

'VINDICTIVE' SUNK AT OSTEND.

DOVER, Eng., May 10. The decision to send the Vindictive to Ostend was made a few days after her return from the Zebrugge raid and the task of filling her with concrete was begun immediately. The joint raid on Zebrugge and Ostend, the British latest naval exploit, was kept a well guarded secret. As an evidence of this it is recalled that after the battle scarred cruiser returned from Zebrugge an urgent request was made that she be sent up the Thames to London for public view. The authorities did not encourage the proposal, however, and the agitation subsided. All the time the old vessel was being overhauled for her last trip. As on the former occasion the operation to block Ostend harbor was under the direction of Admiral Keyes. Some of the men who participated in the affair returned here to-day. The Vindictive came under a fierce fire from German shore batteries. She was navigated close into the pier in good style and sunk by an internal charge. The crew escaped in fast motor boats. Only the number of officers and men absolutely necessary were aboard the ship on account of the danger of her total loss.

AIR ACTIVITY.

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, May 10. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—The lull continues along our fronts. Our airmen continue to do wonderful work. The number of enemy machines brought down in recent days is remarkably high. It is reported that Lieut. Von Richthofen, a brother of the late famous German aviator, recently fell in the Somme valley and fractured his skull and is unlikely to fly again.

CO-OPERATION WILL COUNT.

LONDON, May 10. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—Field Marshal Haig expresses his deep appreciation of the services of the artillery in the Somme and Lys battles. He adds that the infantry was the first to admit the inestimable value of artillery support. The British commander in chief is confident that the reliance of each arm upon the whole-hearted and self-sacrificing co-operation of the other is the greatest possible assurance that all further assaults will be met and defeated.

WILL ENFORCE CONSCRIPTION.

LONDON, May 10. Lieut.-Gen. Sir Bryan Mahon, Commander-in-Chief of the forces in Ireland, announced publicly last night that he was to leave Ireland. He said he did not know who his successor would be. This confirms rumors current for several days that important changes in the military command in Ireland are pending. The departure of General Mahon is believed to be regarded in Ireland as an indication that the Government has decided to proceed boldly with Irish conscription. No Irish Nationalist members participated in the division in the House of Commons last night on the Asquith motion.

PROMOTED FOR SERVICE.

LONDON, May 10. (Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency.)—Brigadier General Sandeman Carey, who commanded the scratch force of British and American troops which closed up the gap in the British line

between the third and fifth armies in the early days of the March offensive, has been promoted to be Major-General.

LOCAL FIGHTING.

LONDON, May 10. There was local fighting to-day at Aveluy Wood, north of Albert, and in Vimy and Robecq sectors and south of Dickebusch. There's nothing further to report, says the official report from Field Marshal Haig this evening.

KILLED IN ACCIDENT.

COLUMBIA, S.C., May 10. Between ten and fifteen soldiers were killed and many probably fatally injured when three passenger coaches loaded with members of the 321st Infantry and the 317th machine gun company fell from a trestle near Camp Jackson to-day.

DESTRUCTIVE TORNADO.

CHICAGO, May 10. At least eleven persons were killed, and more than 150 more or less seriously injured by a tornado which swept over Central and Northeastern Iowa and Central Illinois late yesterday. Hundreds of houses and farm buildings were blown down and live stock were killed in many localities.

A JUST SENTENCE.

EDINBURGH, May 10. For making speeches prejudicial to recruiting, John McLean, Consul in Glasgow of the Russian Bolshevik Government, in the High Court yesterday was sentenced to five years penal servitude under defence of the Realm Act. The evidence showed that McLean publicly had urged working men to break all laws and to repulse Parliament by an organization patterned after the Russian Soviets.

FRENCH OFFICIAL.

PARIS, May 10. (Official.)—After a brief and intense bombardment the French troops yesterday afternoon took possession of the Park at Grivesnes, an important part of which had been occupied by the Germans. In this operation we took 258 prisoners including four officers and also a considerable amount of material. Notwithstanding the vigorous German artillery fire and attempts of enemy patrols to approach our new line our infantry maintained the positions which had been captured and organized them. On the right bank of the Ailette in the Champagne, near Massiges north of Rheims, and in Lorraine at Ailly Wood, the French carried out successful local attacks and repulsed German raids. In these operations we took 36 prisoners including one officer.

AIRMAN'S GOOD WORK.

PARIS, May 10. Six German airplanes were brought down yesterday by Sub-Lieut. Rene Fonck, the War Office announces.

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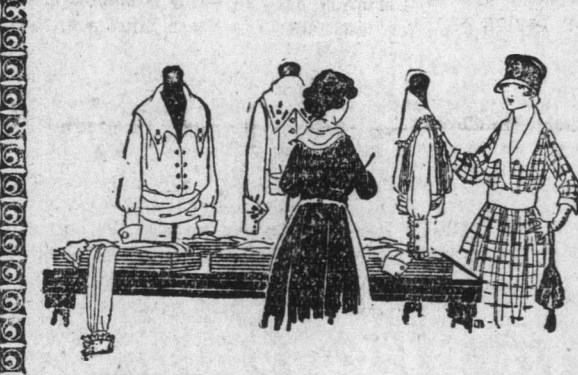
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The Executive made some recommendations as to the acquiring land for the planting of potatoes, etc. The same will be forwarded to the Board of Agriculture. The matter of setting wages with the Reid Mfd. Co. was reported by President Bennett as progressing. It was ordered to write the Minister of Justice as to the increase for policemen and firemen. On a previous occasion the Association wrote the Justice Department but so far have received no reply. A committee was appointed to select the governing editors of the paper to be known as the "Industrial Worker."

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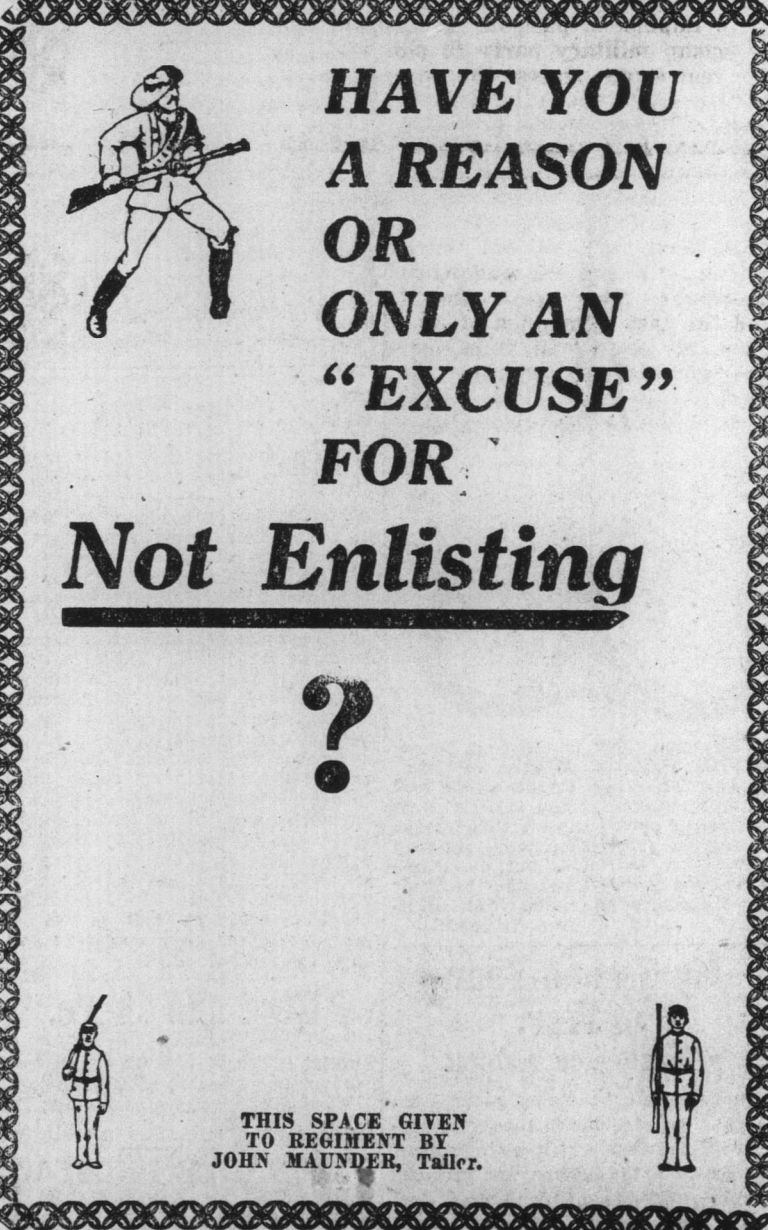
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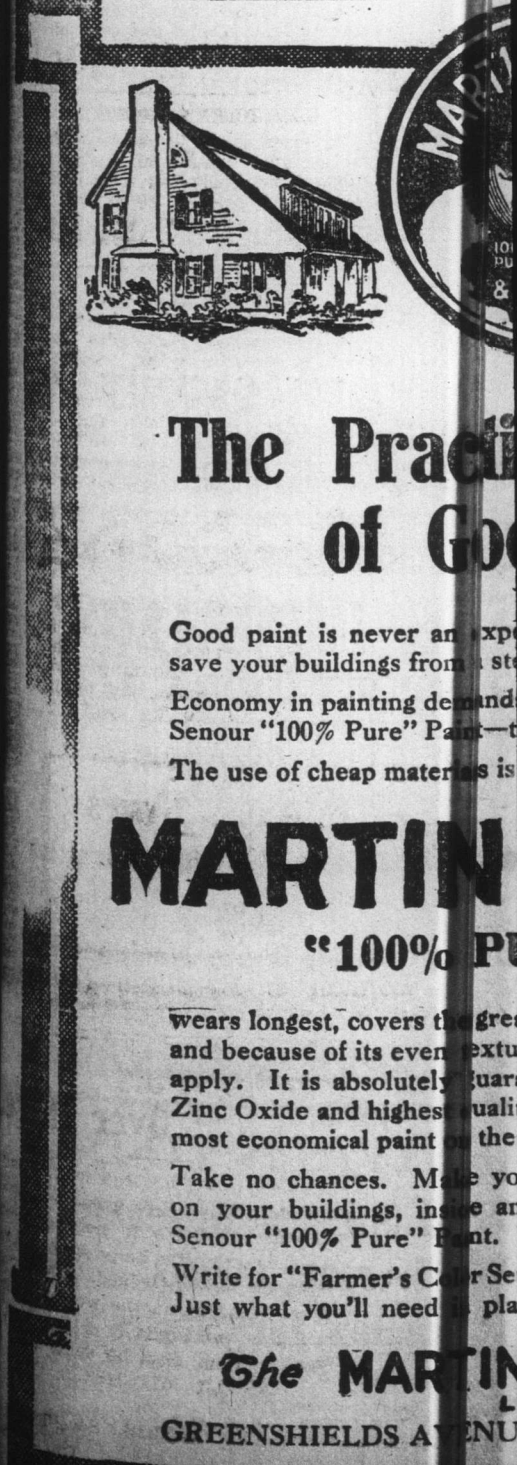
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