

# GERMANS OPEN HEAVY FIRE ON BRITISH FRONT

## ROAR OF GUNS IN FRANCE IS HEARD DISTINCTLY IN ENGLAND

### Teutons Getting Ready for Spring Movement — Two Enemy Destroyers and Two Enemy Torpedo Boats Sunk by Five British and French Destroyers off Dunkirk — Rumania Called Upon to Surrender — Russian Towns Evacuated.

London, Mar. 21.—"We are at the decisive moment of the war, and one of the greatest moments in German history," said Emperor William in a telegram to the Rhenish Provincial Council, according to a Central News despatch from Amsterdam.

The Germans soon before dawn this morning began a heavy bombardment over a wide section of the British front. The statement follows:

"A heavy bombardment was opened by the enemy a little before dawn this morning against our whole front from the neighborhood of Valenciennes, south of St. Quentin to the River Scarpe.

"A successful raid was carried out by us last night in the neighborhood of St. Quentin. Thirteen prisoners and three machine guns were brought back by our troops. Prisoners also were taken in patrol encounters southeast of Messines and in another successful raid carried out by us south of Houthouster Forest.

"A raid undertaken by the enemy in the neighborhood of Arras was repulsed."

#### Heard at Dover.

London, Mar. 21.—The artillery action on the western front could be distinctly heard at Dover and other towns on the east coast of England. The doors and windows of the houses at Dover, for instance, were continuously shaken by the heavy concussion.

The firing, which was the heaviest that has been heard in this district from such a distance, began at three o'clock this morning and lasted at brief intervals until seven a. m.

At Ramsgate, besides the sound of the cannoning bright flashes were seen at sea, while the vibrations of the

explosions shook the windows and dislodged tiles from the roofs.

#### Hun Vessels Sunk.

London, Mar. 21.—Two enemy destroyers and two enemy torpedo boats have been sunk by a force of five British and French destroyers. The Admiralty so announces. One British destroyer was damaged. The engagement occurred off Dunkirk this morning. Two British and three French destroyers were engaged with a force of German destroyers and two enemy torpedo boats are believed to have been sunk. Survivors have been picked up from two enemy torpedo boats. No allied vessels were sunk. One British destroyer was damaged but reached harbor. The British casualties were slight. There were no French casualties.

#### Rumanian Demand.

Moscow, Mar. 21.—Germany has increased her demand upon Rumania and now asks that Rumania surrender to the Central Powers all of her own war munitions as well as those left in Rumania by allied troops.

#### Abandon Towns.

Petrograd, Mar. 20.—Kermendobug, Minaminka and Romodan, in Southern Russia, are being evacuated by government forces. A Russian commission has left here for Pakov to investigate reports of attacks on German troops.

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### NEW BRUNSWICK 'PHONE GIRL GOES TO FRANCE

#### Miss Agnes May Theriault of Madawaska, and Van Buren Girl Will Aid Allies.

Edmundston, Mar. 21.—Miss Agnes May Theriault, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Theriault of St. Anne, and Miss Minnie R. Richard of Van Buren have joined a telephone girls unit to assist in winning the war in France. They were employed at Presque Isle. Miss Theriault was educated at St. Basil Convent.

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### HON. J. A. MURRAY'S VOTES FOR WOMEN RESOLUTION ENDORSED UNANIMOUSLY

Hon. J. A. Murray.

In rising to introduce his resolution the leader of the opposition was greeted with applause. He referred to the fact that in 1909 W. F. Hatfield, then a member of the legislature from the city of St. John, had introduced a bill providing for the extension of the franchise to women. At that time the speaker was opposed to the proposal, but there had been a marked change in public sentiment since 1909 and his own views had been affected. Many events had taken place that had led thinking people to change their minds on the question of women in politics and in public life. This change had been emphasized by the events of the war and the splendid part taken by the women in all patriotic activities.

Women's work in this direction had brought a realizing sense of their ability to bear their full part in the public life of the country. In 1909 women had been referred to as angels going into the dark places of the cities and spreading light and goodness. If they merited to be called by that term then how much more would the term apply today in the light of the great work of mercy they had accomplished in connection with this tragedy of war.

#### The Federal Campaign.

He then referred feelingly to the part the women played in the Union Government campaign. By their efforts they had measured up to the standard and had won the approval of all by their keen, intelligent interest and their work in the cause in which they had engaged. The movement to grant the suffrage to women had seen wonderful development since 1909 until in Canada every province but Quebec and the Maritime Provinces had decided to extend the franchise. In Nova Scotia a bill for the purpose would be brought down this session. In Great Britain measures to that end had been taken and he believed the time would come when women would have the franchise there. The resolution before the house subscribed to the principle that women should have the provincial franchise.

#### Not Party Question.

Mr. Murray emphasized the point that it was not a party question, but each member could vote on it as he saw fit, but he felt sure that the time had come when the legislature of this province should pass an act conferring the franchise upon women. He did not purpose to discuss the motion at length for he believed the case in favor of the vote for women was so strong that it required no prolonged advocacy. The Opposition leader was vigorously applauded as he finished his forceful little address.

#### Mr. Tilley.

Mr. Tilley, the second, referred to the defeat of Dr. Robert's bill last year by seven or eight votes. He supported the bill then and intended to vote for the motion this time. Last year the Minister of Public Works, Mr. Veniot, had been rather critical of his (Tilley's) speech because Mr. Veniot's remarks in opposition to women suffrage were largely based on a speech which the speaker had made in 1913. He was glad to be able to give the Minister of Public Works material on which to build speeches and also glad that Mr. Veniot had been big enough to give him credit for changing his opinion. When he opposed the bill in 1913 he used the same old arguments he had been accustomed to use in the debates in the Fredericton Grammar School when, as a boy of fifteen years or so, he had participated in them. There was the argument that the proper place for women was in the home that participation in politics and in elections would have a demeaning and degrading effect, and that it was not her proper sphere to mix in such affairs. He would like to ask the house if the women by the noble work they had done since the outbreak of the war in any way demeaned or degraded themselves or if they had lost any of their qualities of womanliness as a result of their activity.

#### As Much As Men.

Since the outbreak of the war women of the country had done as much as the men in furtherance of the aims of the Nation. When it was decided to form a Union Government at Ot-

tawa the women of the country had rallied to the support of that proposal they had worked and voted as ninety per cent. of the men in khaki had voted for Union Government and as 100 per cent. of the gentlemen in the provincial opposition had voted.

Mr. Veniot, interrupting "do you want to introduce politics into this?" Mr. Tilley replied that he would introduce politics if Mr. Veniot desired it. Continuing, he said that the women of the country had gone to the polls and voted as their fathers and brothers, and husbands, overseas, had voted. They had worked unsparingly for the cause of Union and they had done well. The result of their vote being up 15 date in our legislation should not longer delay action on such an important question.

Mr. Tilley then read an editorial from the St. John Times urging that the legislators should adopt the motion. He believed the giving of the franchise to women would have a purifying effect upon elections, and in closing said he believed there were sufficient men on both sides of the House who were in favor of the principle expressed in motion to adopt it. Later the necessary bill could be introduced.

#### Hon. Mr. Veniot.

Mr. Veniot, who was once more loudly applauded by his colleagues on the government benches, said he did not propose to discuss the motion but certain remarks made by the previous speaker caused him to rise to his feet. The leader of the opposition gave him great satisfaction when he declared the motion was not a political one, but Mr. Tilley had introduced an element of politics. It was necessary for him to refer to the part the women had taken in the last Dominion election unless by so doing he was attempting to find fault with those who like himself (Veniot) had done as they pleased in that matter. If Mr. Tilley's remarks were intended for him he was prepared to meet that gentleman at any time and debate his stand in the Dominion election. He was going to vote for the motion and he supposed that would be a surprise for his friend. He had no excuse to offer for his change of heart for last year he had asked those favoring the measure to let it stand over for a year. He contended that the Nova Scotia bill to which reference had been made was limited in its character, and while it placed men and women on an equal footing contained a provision that to get the vote a woman must have a property qualification of at least \$150.

#### Hon. Dr. Roberts.

Hon. Dr. Roberts opened his remarks by saying he was glad to realize that his address of last year and other things had moved the opposition.

Mr. Murray took the same objection taken by Mr. Veniot to the remarks of Mr. Roberts. He had moved the opposition to act in this matter. He had been impelled to move his resolution by his own recognition of the right of women to the franchise.

Dr. Roberts continuing said he endorsed the principle of the motion and would vote for it.

Premier Foster complimented Mr. Murray on his presentation of the case. He had expected that some measure of this sort would engage the attention of the House during the present session, for there was a general disposition to give the women a larger share in the public affairs of the country. He did not think the resolution could do any harm and it might be productive of good. It dealt with the question in the abstract and was sufficiently broad to allow members to vote on it in that way. Speaking for himself and himself alone, he said he would vote for it, but he had yet to be convinced that the women of the province as a whole desired the vote. He felt that out of every ten women, two wanted the franchise, two were indifferent and the other six were indifferent.

Votes for women, however, must

come in New Brunswick as elsewhere, and in this connection he referred to the remarkable change of sentiment of the last few years. It was but a few years ago when windows were smashed in London and politicians were being beaten up by ardent advocates of women suffrage, yet the ideas had made such progress there that it would eventually be successful. He had been favorably impressed by the work of the women in the war, and believed that his government could be depended upon in time to introduce a bill granting a measure of franchise to women, but there was no need to hurry it along. He thought it would be well to wait until the Dominion franchise act had been passed so that our legislation would be brought into uniformity with it.

The motion was then put without further debate and carried without a dissenting voice.

The debate drew out the largest gallery that had been seen in the House since the opening day. Ladies were there in abundance and to judge by appearances they seemed eminently well satisfied that the motion had been successful.

### SALTS FINE FOR ACHING KIDNEYS

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#### RETURNED SOLDIERS.

Halifax, Mar. 21.—Following are names of returned soldiers: Gunner J. R. Bramble, Sharnon, P.O. N.B.; Pte. P. Murray, St. John; Gunner R. N. Stableford, Sussex; Pte. B. Crawford, Moncton; Pte. W. E. Montford, St. John.

INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE. A college debate between U. N. B. vs. St. Francis Xavier, will be held Tuesday, March 26th, at 8 p.m. The subject is "Resolved that minimum wage legislation should be enacted for employees in mines, workshops, factories and stores in Canada." This subject is now being considered by some of our provincial legislatures, and it is a live one. It answers the question, how are we going to protect our Canadian workmen and our boys, who are "over there," when they come back, from the unfair competition of foreign labor?



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Washington, March 21.—One American officer and three men were killed aboard an American destroyer March 19, when the vessel collided with a British warship, the navy department announced today. A number of American sailors were injured.

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