

## GERMANS PROBABLY PREPARING FOR OFFENSIVE; TEUTONS LOSE AGAIN IN SEVERAL ENCOUNTERS

### RECLUSE MURDERS FARMER

Harry Wiley of Argyle, Carleton Co., Shot and Killed by William Glenn.

### GLENN BARRICADES HIMSELF IN HOME

Surrenders to Officers After Two Hours—Preliminary Hearing this Morning.

### MURDERER HAD BEEN ACTING STRANGELY

Thought That Plea of Insanity May Be Entered by Defence.

### Special to The Standard.

Woodstock, June 24.—As the result of a startling tragedy enacted in the remote district of Argyle, 55 miles from Woodstock, yesterday, Harry Wiley, son of former County Councillor Edward Wiley, is dead, and William Glenn, a recluse and neighbor of the Wiley family, is locked up in the Woodstock jail charged with murder. Glenn is accused of shooting young Wiley after a slight dispute over a line fence. He had been acting strangely for sometime, and it is considered probable that the defence will put forward a plea of insanity when the case comes to trial.

A preliminary hearing has been set for tomorrow morning, but it is possible the hearing may be continued until Wednesday.

### Thrilling Circumstances.

The arrest was made under thrilling circumstances, and much credit is due Sheriff A. B. Foster, of Middle Simonds; Chief Kelley and Deputy Morse, of Woodstock; Guy Welch and Archibald Campbell, who with a posse of men living in the vicinity surrounded Glenn's house. It was probably due to the care and diplomacy exercised by Sheriff Foster, the officers and the good work of the posse that the good work of the prisoner's brother, Bernard, that no further bloodshed occurred. The tragedy has caused a decided

### MAN IS DROWNED WHILE SWIMMING IN ROCKY LAKES

William Munro Probably Had Attack of Heart Failure.

Special to The Standard. New Glasgow, June 24.—A very sad drowning accident occurred at the Rocky Lakes near Fifteen Mile Stream yesterday. A fishing party from Eureka consisting of William Munro, William McNaughton, Mr. McNaughton's son, Robert, and K. William Boates and Mr. Boates, son were at the lakes fishing and swimming. Mr. Munro was a splendid swimmer. He was about 100 yards away from the others swimming by himself when he was seized with a cramp. By the time the others reached him he was dead. His heart was not strong and it is possible that death was due to heart collapse. He was about 50 years of age.

### MANY INJURED

Havana, June 24.—An explosion in the magazine of the Cabana fortress, across the bay from Havana, at nine o'clock last night shook the entire city. One person is known to be dead and many were injured. It is believed a bomb was exploded.

### Line Fence Dispute.

The tragedy occurred yesterday morning. Harry Wiley and his brother constructed a board fence on the line between the Wiley and Glenn farms. Glenn found fault with the location of the fence and tore it down. There were some words exchanged between the Wiley boys and the recluse, but the surviving brother states that the dispute did not amount to much at the time.

A short time later Harry Wiley hitched up his team to a roller and started to roll some grain. While he was seated on the roller Glenn appeared about a rod distant with a Snyder rifle and with little or no warning pointed it at Harry and fired. The ball pierced Wiley's lung and he fell from the seat dead. Glenn immediately reloaded his rifle and went to his house. He barred the door and all the windows but one. Sheriff Foster, Deputy Morse and Chief Kelley were notified of the tragedy by telephone and at once started in an automobile from here, 55 miles distant, for the scene. Guy Welch and Archibald Campbell accompanied the officers in an automobile to the Glenn farm, and soon a large posse of neighbors assembled in the vicinity.

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### CANADIANS USE HEAVY ARTILLERY

Violent Exchanges with Enemy Yesterday Morning at Vimy.

### INFANTRY WAS NOT DRAWN INTO ACTION

British Forces Repel Number of Raids Near Arrmentieres.

### Decorate Heroes.

While the cannonade was in progress the ceremony took place behind the front of the presentation of the decorations conferred upon the heroes of the Vimy Ridge battle belonging to one of the Canadian divisions whose duties prevented their attendance at the recent investiture by His Majesty the King in London. One of the recipients was Lieut. MacDowell, who won the Victoria Cross for his gallantry in capturing machine guns and mopping up the enemy dugouts.

### British Statement.

London, June 24.—"Hostile raids were attempted this morning southeast of Arrmentieres and south of Arrmentieres," says the official report from British headquarters in France tonight. "In each case the enemy troops were caught under our fire and failed to reach our trenches. The enemy's artillery was active today in the neighborhood of Havrincourt Wood, north of the Scarpe, and in the neighborhood of Messines."

### Russian Statement.

Petrograd, June 24.—"Lively scouting operations between the Russian and Austrian lines in the Carpathians in today's war office statement, which follows: "In Galicia, in the region of Grabovec, an enemy scouting party attempted to gain information of our position, but was dispersed by one of our patrols. The commander of the party, Lieut. Luracev, assembled his men and by means of bayonet fighting and the use of hand grenades they succeeded in breaking through and returning to their trenches without the loss of a man. Lieut. Luracev received several serious wounds. On the remainder of the front and on the Roumanian front there were fusillades."

### Italian Statement.

Rome, June 24, via London.—The official statement issued by the war office today says: "On the Upper Riodi and in the Cordevele valley early yesterday morning the enemy, after intense artillery preparation, attacked advanced posts on Mount Settassa. The attack was promptly stopped and a counter-attack quickly drove back the enemy with considerable losses."

### THE SEBASTOPOL MUTINY ENDED

Petrograd, June 23.—Rear-Admiral James H. Glenison, U. S. A., and his staff, returned to Petrograd today from a visit to the Black Sea Fleet at Sebastopol. The cordiality of their reception was modified by the mutiny among the sailors of the fleet, which started just before their arrival and which is now at an end, tranquility having been restored.

### WORKMEN ARE PANIC STRICKEN AT FIRE ON HALIFAX FERRY

Engineer Burned But No Lives Are Lost—Ferry is Saved.

Halifax, June 24.—Fire broke out early last night on the ferry steamer Davis McNab, which was conveying several hundred workmen from the new oil works under construction on the Dartmouth side of the harbor to Halifax. The men who were nearly all foreigners, became panic stricken and rushed to the side of the steamer. The sudden rush almost capsized the boat. Tugs rushed to the aid of the ferry boat, and took off most of the men. The Davis McNab was run on George's Island, where the balance of the men scrambled ashore. The fire was then extinguished and later the boat was floated and towed to the city. The engineer of the ferry was burned about the arms. The blaze was caused by some gasoline catching fire.

### KILTIES HOPE TO GET MANY MEN IN U.S.

10,000 Set as Figure—Col. Guthrie Appointed Recruiting Officer and Pipers May Return.

### Special to The Standard.

Boston, June 24.—With Sergt. Major Appleby in charge, 109 recruits left tonight for the headquarters of the Kilties at Fredericton. Col. P. A. Guthrie and Capt. J. D. Black returned today from New York, where they have been conferring with the British War Mission. Gen. A. W. White, head of the mission, was delighted with the success of the work of the Kilties in Boston, and has asked the Canadian government to send the pipe band back to the United States. Gen. Guthrie wants to have the band and Kiltie officers visit New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and all important cities of the United States.

### Col. Guthrie has been placed in general charge of recruiting for Canadian and British armies in the New England States and will immediately establish headquarters in a building of 16 or 20 rooms in which the offices will be on the main floor, with the quarters for the band and recruiting staff on the other floors.

Since the campaign opened here, June 7, 1,200 men have volunteered for service in Canadian and British armies. Of these over 500 will be in Fredericton, when the 109 started for there tonight arrive. The week ended yesterday with 270 recruits. Besides these the Kilties have secured over 500 men for the American army. It is figured, with the Kiltie pipe band and strenuous methods of the recruiting officers there will be little difficulty in raising 10,000 more men in the United States in the next month.

### A TIMELY WORD.

We cannot be too thankful to those in season and out of season who demanded the creation and expansion of our armies to their present dimensions, which are none too large, who fought against the dissipation of energy in side-shows of which there are still too many, and who from the outset realized that such a situation as the present might arise in which the decision on land as well as on sea would rest mainly with us. We always bargained to bear the main naval burden, the main industrial burden, the main financial burden, of the great war. But circumstances are casting upon us in addition what we hardly expected, the main military burden, which is substantially increased. We trust this tremendous fact is fully realized throughout the dominions—Canada, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand and elsewhere—for immense as have been their efforts, yet greater are demanded of them. We must indeed all do much more to save ourselves, to save Europe and to save the world. At the same time we are all justly proud of what our fighting men are doing and have already been a National Review, London, June 1, 1917.

### WORKMEN WANT DUMA ABOLISHED

Petrograd, June 24.—Dissolution of the Council of the Empire is declared for in a resolution passed Saturday by the Pan-Russian Congress of Councils of deputies of soldiers and workmen, after prolonged debate. The elimination of the Duma also is asked.

### GERMANS MAY ATTEMPT AN OFFENSIVE

Significant Preparations of Some Sort on French Front.

### FRENCH REGAIN THE GROUND THEY LOST

Lively Encounter in Vicinity of Mount Carnillet on Saturday.

### Grand Headquarters of the French Army in France, Saturday evening.

There are signs on many parts of the French front that the Germans are either nervous concerning the French intentions or are preparing an offensive. A series of "feints" has been carried out by Field Marshal Von Hindenburg at various points, principally around the Leon plateau. One of the chief of these was an effort to cut a breach in the French line at Vauxillon, where the German "shock" units temporarily ousted the French from a short trench system on the slopes of Montky Mountain, on which it was important that both arms should possess observatories.

### Ground Regained.

French counter-attacks immediately regained all the ground lost, except a salient measuring a few yards in which the German position is most precarious. On this occasion the German shock troops advanced in their shirt sleeves without packs, after a terrific bombardment, in which every yard of its adjacent ground was searched by shells. "The German shockers," as soon as they succeeded in their determined and courageous effort, turned over the trenches they had gained to the 78th German Infantry, who, however, failed to hold them when called upon for a defensive effort. The correspondent visited the entire position in this sector today and found the French firmly established, while the Germans, on the other side of the hill, were deprived of observatories, and thus their artillery was blind.

### Another lively affair occurred in the vicinity of Mont Carnillet, where the Germans and French attacked almost simultaneously, the former with the object of recovering prominent points they had lost some weeks ago, and the latter with the intention of getting free elbow room.

As it happened, a unit consisting of only sixty-two French grenadiers and portable machine gunners occupied the position coveted by the Germans, and not only drove off the attacking forces, but pursued them and captured more than 200 Germans. On the Chemin Des Dames also the Germans launched yesterday a number of attacks, some of which resulted in most desperate engagements in the neighborhood of Laroye Farm in which the French were covered with German bodies while the only success the Germans achieved was to gain possession of a short section of a front French trench.

### French Statement.

Paris, June 24.—The war office is issued the following communication tonight: "In the region east of Vauxillon a spirited counter-attack by our troops enabled us to retake the ground held by the enemy northeast of Mersey Farm. "The artillery action was quite active in the Hirtobise sector and on the front. "Belgium communication: Last night the enemy artillery bombarded our communications behind Dinand and at Gismestrats and Hat Bas. Today the artillery activity was very pronounced near Reninghe, Pypgale and Liserve."

### BERLIN WORKMEN IN THE RAILWAY SHOPS STRIKE

Serious Situation Develops on Prussian State Lines.

Copenhagen, June 23.—Two-thirds of the workmen in the great Berlin shops of the Prussian state railroads stopped work and walked out at five o'clock yesterday afternoon to enforce their demands for a nine-hour day, according to advices received here today. The men, who had been compelled to work eleven hours daily during the war, declared it was impossible for flesh and blood to continue such overtime labor on inadequate food. According to Vorwaerts the other third of the employees are expected to join the movement. The German railroad unions are said to have voted to support the car shop employees in their demand for a shorter day, and also for a wage increase in proportion to the high cost of living.

### CANADIAN ARMY CALLS FOR MEN

Significant Cable Received by Premier Borden from Sir Arthur Currie.

### Ottawa, June 24.—(Leased wire).

The prime minister has received the following cable from Gen. Sir Arthur Currie, in response to Sir Robert Borden's message of congratulation sent last week on General Currie's assumption of the command of the Canadian army corps. "I sincerely appreciate and am deeply grateful for the kind message of congratulation from yourself and colleagues. My pride in commanding the Canadian corps is surpassed only by my determination to serve it in such a manner as will ensure its splendid reputation being maintained, and as will merit the approval of my countrymen. I note with special gratification your assurance that the troops in the field can rely upon Canada giving them all necessary support. They have given their blood freely to maintain their nation's honor, and now confidently expect that the full fruits of their sacrifice will not be precluded. It is an imperative and urgent necessity that steps be immediately taken to ensure that sufficient drafts of officers and men are sent from Canada to keep the corps at its full strength." (Sgd.) CURRIE.

### THE PORTUGUESE CAPTURE GERMANS

### London, June 23.—The official report from British headquarters in France tonight reads:

"In the course of patrol encounters last night south of Arrmentieres, Portuguese troops killed or captured a whole German patrol."

### RECTOR RESIGNS.

Richibucto, June 24.—Rev. F. W. M. Bacon, Anglican clergyman at Richibucto, has tendered his resignation, to take effect June 30. Rev. Mr. Bacon was formerly attached to parishes in St. John and Musquash.

### THE CROSS-COUNTRY FOX CHASE IN NEW BRUNSWICK

AFTER fourteen days hunted in the City of St. John, then captured by Mr. John A. Warwick, the foreman painter employed by the St. John Railway Co., Fox The Fugitive now invites a chase through the town of New Brunswick.

Many readers of The Standard in different towns and villages are desirous of engaging in this interesting and unique hide-and-seek game. It attracted so much attention in the city that The Standard cheerfully engaged Mr. E. L. Welch, the originator, creator and producer who put it on in the city, to continue it at large in the province.

Never has any feature similar to this been given the public here. As a mystery it incites remarkable interest. Those who do not engage in the hunt for the Fugitive read his stories for their local color, their harmless and amusing personalities and striking novelties. This feature as Mr. Welch produces it is clean and educational in testing the capabilities for remembering faces and incidents. Nothing about it is faded.

The Standard pays nominal rewards in the towns where he is captured, according to conditions, and the Fugitive goes through the province regardless of the captures.

His Own Story Today is On Page 3.

### ELECTION IS NOT LIKELY THIS YEAR

Surprising Strength of Government's Conscription Policy One Reason.

### LIBERALS DISUNITED FEAR SEVERE DEFEAT

Leaders Likely to Agree to Extension of Life of Parliament.

### COMPULSION DEBATE CONTINUES TODAY

Measure Will Win by Larger Majority Than Expected Week Ago.

### Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, June 24.—Tomorrow commences what is expected to be the closing week of the conscription bill debate in the House of Commons, and as the stampede of Ontario and western Liberals has made its passage certain, interest in the situation is already commencing to wane.

To say that the government has ever seriously doubted that the bill would pass would probably be to overstate the case, but it must be admitted that during the first days of last week, following Sir Wilfrid Laurier's proposal of a referendum, the opinion was that the vote would be close, as it was felt in some quarters that the suggestion of George P. Graham that the government should take steps to appoint a food controller and also to levy more heavily upon the accumulated wealth of the country, might meet the views of some of the Ontario Liberals and keep them in line with the party until such legislation had been introduced by the government as a supplement to its conscription bill.

### Probably Avoided Election.

Election talk was plentiful and tonight the best unofficial information is that had the conscription measure failed of its passage the government would proceed with the work of reconstruction and an election would probably have followed within a few weeks. Sir Robert Borden and his followers feel that the most important issue before the Canadian people today is that of securing men to fill the armies at the front and if defeated in the House the government would have had ample excuse for deciding to lay the case before the tribunal of the electorate.

The open defection of Hugh Guthrie and Mrs. McCraney of Saskatchewan, from the ranks of the Liberal party, was the first step in the direction of clarifying a complicated situation, also the movement of Mr. Barrett to give the conscription measure the six months halt, really to throw it out of parliament and the acclaim with which

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## ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD

The St. John Standard will pay One Hundred Dollars to any person or persons producing evidence which will lead to the conviction of those responsible for the murder of Robert Harris.