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FIRST SESSION OF UNION CABINET IS HELD

Two Appointments Have Yet to Be Made to Complete Coalition Ministry RAIN PREVENTS FULL SUCCESS OF HAIG'S DRIVE ON SIX-MILE FRONT

BRITISH DRIVE GAINS GROUND AT ALL POINTS

Rain, However, Prevents Further Effort to Reach Final Objectives.

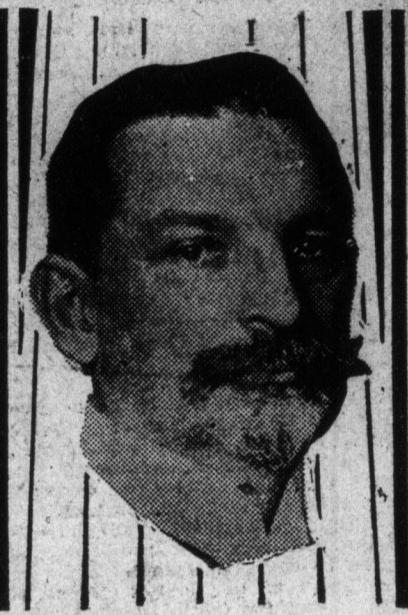
FRONT OF SIX MILES Five Hundred Prisoners Taken in Offensive Northeast of Ypres.

London, Oct. 12.—Progress was made along the entire front in Flanders, where Field Marshal Haig began another offensive this morning. Rain intervened, however, and it was decided not to make further efforts to reach the final objectives which it had been planned to take during the night. The communication adds that the prisoners taken during the day amount to five hundred.

HUN MARINE MINISTER HAS RELINQUISHED POST

Von Capelle, in Reichstag Few Days Ago, Sought to Link Socialists With Plot in Navy.

Amsterdam, Oct. 12.—Vice-Admiral von Capelle, the German minister of marine, has resigned, according to the Frankfurter Zeitung.



ADMIRAL VON CAPELLE, German minister of marine, who is reported to have resigned.

Succeeded Von Tirpitz. Vice-Admiral Eduard von Capelle was one of the administrative directors in the ministry of marine before the war, and had served as a captain at sea. In March, 1914, he succeeded Admiral von Tirpitz as imperial minister of the navy.

GALE WORKS HAVOC AT PORT COLBORNE

Steel Bridge is Wrecked and Trees Have Been Blown Down.

Port Colborne, Oct. 13.—The first heavy storm of the season struck here about noon today, a gale from the southeast, with rain, making shipping at a standstill. Trees were blown down and the steel ore bridge No. one at the Canadian Furnace Company's plant was damaged to the extent of \$80,000.

GENERAL HAIG'S OFFENSIVE SURPRISES HUNS

British and Anzacs Battle to Expel Foe From Famous Ridge.

WEATHER IMPROVING Brisk Breeze and Blue Sky Favor Renewal of Powerful Drive.

London, Oct. 12.—Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters in France cabled today: The British and Anzacs today resumed the process of pushing the Germans off what remains of their foothold upon the great ridge system to the east of Ypres. The French on our left did not move today, but their artillery pounded the enemy vigorously.

WITH COALITION A FACT ELECTION TALK IS AIRED

UNIONISTS' FIRST CABINET COUNCIL Hon. N. W. Rowell Presides at Initial Conference of New Ministry.

Ottawa, Oct. 12.—The union government held its first cabinet council this afternoon. Hon. N. W. Rowell, president of the privy council, presided. There was a full attendance. No official statement was made as to the business transacted, but it is understood that discussion was confined to a preliminary review of the work to be taken in hand.

Writs for Election Not Expected to Be Issued Before End of Present Month—Choice of Candidates to Be Left to the Electors—Prospects for the Union Government in the Various Provinces Considered Good.

AS FAR as can be learned the news of a Canadian Union Government at last was received with widespread approval yesterday, tho' with some qualification; at other points by criticism, and in some instances by dissent. It will take several days for the public mind to find itself on so great an issue, an issue that will be the main one in the coming nation-wide election.

COALITION COMMENT BY CANADIAN PAPERS

AS was to be expected after a development of such vital and national importance, the formation of a union ministry has evoked general comment from the press of Canada.

WILL CAUSE NO CHANGE IN CABINET GENERALLY

Calder's Appointment Unlikely to Lead to Ministerial Shuffle in Saskatchewan.

NOT REPRESENTATIVE

Vancouver Province Deplores Absence of French-Canadians From Cabinet.

TRIUMPH FOR BORDEN

Achievement of Coalition is an Outstanding One.

OPINION IN WINNIPEG ON COALITION DIVIDED

Some Disappointment That Hudson Didn't Get in Cabinet in Place of Crear.

VALUE TO BE PROVED

Union Cabinet Splendid in Theory, But Has Yet to Justify Itself.

CONCENTRATE ON WAR

Victoria Times Expresses Little in General Way From Coalition.

AUSTRIAN SAYS HE WAS SENT TO BUY REVOLVERS

Had Just Returned From Montreal With Them When He Was Arrested.

THE UNION CABINET

- Sir Robert Borden, prime minister and external affairs. Hon. N. W. Rowell, president of the privy council. Sir Thomas White, finance. General S. C. Meuburn, militia. Sir Edward Kemp, overseas minister of militia. Hon. G. Reid, railways and canals. Hon. C. J. Doherty, justice. Hon. J. D. Hazen, marine and fisheries. Hon. Arthur Meighen, interior. Hon. A. L. Sifton, customs. Sir George Foster, trade and commerce. Hon. T. A. Crear, agriculture. Hon. J. A. Calder, immigration and colonization. Hon. T. W. Crothers, labor. Hon. Martin Burrell, secretary of state. Hon. Pierre Blondin, postmaster-general. Hon. Albert Sevrigny, inland revenue. Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, public works. Hon. Frank Cochrane, without portfolio. Sir James Lougheed, without portfolio. Hon. Hugh Guthrie, solicitor-general. May Succeed Hazen. It is expected that F. B. Carvell will, if he joins the administration, succeed Hon. J. D. Hazen as minister of marine and fisheries, and Hon. George H. Murray will become minister of labor if he enters federal politics. The new ministers were sworn in by his Excellency the Duke of Devonshire early this afternoon, and the first cabinet council was convened shortly afterward.

RAINFOATS AND OFFICERS' TRENCH COATS.

The Dineen Company has just received from London, England, a shipment of the best makes of officers' raincoats which are superior in quality to any that we heretofore sold. Trench coats, \$25; and other rainproof coats from \$10.80 to \$25.

VIRTUALLY COMPLETED.

Ottawa, Oct. 12.—With the exception of the maritime provinces, Liberal representation today saw completion of the union cabinet. It is expected that within a few days both Hon. George H. Murray, Nova Scotia, and F. B. Carvell, New Brunswick, will join the administration, making the union national in character and rewarding Sir Robert Borden's determination to eliminate party warfare during this period of national peril.

NEW PARTY NAMES

Already the new party has been given the name of "Unionist" and the public is speculating as to its permanency. Many believe that the coalition will give rise to a permanent party, and that the terms Conservatives and Liberals will be replaced by Unionists and Nationalists. The necessity for the coalition continues until a permanent organization is completed. It is expected that the new party will survive the war, but if there is a sudden termination of the conflict the old divisions may be re-established. It is the popular opinion that the new administration will have less difficulty in carrying the elections than in giving a popular war administration. Its acts will be subjected to the most rigid scrutiny and many expect scurrilous attacks from all quarters. The party bond of fealty that made the press defenders of parliament has been broken, and there will be a greater incentive to criticize than to defend. The administration will, however, outrank in ability and prestige any possible combination formed in the common, and if harmony prevails within should be able to withstand attacks from without.

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