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CANADIANS BEAT GERMANS TO STANDSTILL

RUSSIAN FORCES PRESS OFFENSIVE AND TAKE MORE TOWNS

German Auxiliary Cruiser and 12 Merchantmen Are Sunk

AUSTRIAN UNITS BREAK UP UNDER HEAVY RUSSIAN BLOWS

RUSSIANS SINK GERMAN SHIPS IN BALTIC SEA

GAINS MADE BY THE CANADIANS DECIDED SETBACK FOR GERMANS

Troops of Czar, Pushing on, Seize Sniatyn, South of Dniester, and Make Progress on Road to Vladimir-Volynski — Take Hundred and Twenty Thousand Prisoners.

Position of War Secretary Is Offered to Lloyd George

He is Expected to Accept, But to Retain Connection With the Ministry of Munitions.

Twelve Merchantmen Reported Destroyed by Muscovite Mosquito Squadron.

GERMAN CRUISER SUNK

Koenig Von Sachsen Said to Have Gone Down With Crew.

Outcome of Past Few Days' Fighting Causes Great Rejoicing in Ranks of Canadians Who Retook Greater Part of Lost Ground, Thus Allowing British Front Line to Return to Its Original Position—"We Are Getting Lloyd George's Ammunition All Right," They Say.

CANADIANS HOLD CAPTURED FRONT

Germans Heavily Shelled Positions Recovered From Them.

TAKE MORE CAPTIVES

Over Hundred and Sixty, Including Wounded, Come in.

LONDON, June 15, 12.45 a.m.—The Canadians are still holding to the positions they captured from the Germans Tuesday near Zillebeke, east of Ypres, although they have been heavily shelled by the Germans, according to an official communication issued at midnight.

"Last night (Tuesday) and today (Wednesday)" says the official communication, "there have been no infantry actions. The positions regained yesterday east of Ypres have been heavily shelled. During the day more prisoners were taken, chiefly wounded men who were found during the clearing of the ground. The total number taken is three officers and 168 men of other ranks."

ONE MORE ZEPPELIN HAS BEEN DESTROYED

Dirigible Lost as Result of Windstorm in Southern Belgium.

WILSON DENOUNCES DISLOYAL CITIZENS

Attempt Made by "Hyphens" to Levy a Species of Blackmail.

KEYNOTE OF CAMPAIGN

President's Speech Virtual Denial of German-American Busybodies.

ARE NEGOTIATING FOR NEW POWER SUPPLY

Understood Hydro Has Arranged for Thirty-Two Thousand Horsepower.

TWO MONTHS FOR DESEDITION.

KINGSTON, Ont., June 14.—Pte Theodore Groux, aged seventeen, of Ottawa, deserted from the ranks of the 146th Battalion and Justice of the Peace Hunter sent him to jail for two months.

BRITISH Headquarters in France, June 14 (via London), 7.10 p.m.—The operations in the vicinity of Ypres have passed into a new and, for the British, a most satisfactory stage. The Canadians yesterday retook the greater part of the ground lost on June 2, including the Armagh Wood and Observatory Ridge, and the British front line has returned to its original position. The German losses were large and the latest reports show about 150 prisoners, including four officers in British hands.

The attack began at 2 a.m., the ground was quickly gained, and by noon the situation was comparatively quiet. The Germans apparently did not anticipate so speedy and determined a counter-attack, and abundant evidence was found of the destructive effects of the British artillery fire, which had quite prevented them from properly consolidating the position during their occupation of the disputed ground. Whether the British shall choose to hold the old line, now almost destroyed, cannot be said, but it seems assured that the option now rests with them. At any rate, the operation was a most

gallant and successful incident, in which the Canadians amply repaid any debt they owed the Germans. The outcome has caused great rejoicing in the ranks of the Canadians. It was after two weeks of the most unseasonable cold, rainy weather known to the oldest inhabitants of this region, making the low ground around the Ypres salient a morass, that the Canadians charged in the midst of a downpour at 1.30 o'clock in the morning and recovered Observatory Ridge and Mount Sorrel, important high ground which was still held by the Germans after the first stage of the battle of Ypres on June 2-3. So heavy and continuous had been the British artillery fire on the Germans, vainly trying to fortify Mount Sorrel during their ten days' occupation, that they had been unable to remove the munitions and foodstuffs left there.

"We were delighted with the way the guns supported us," says the Canadians. "They gave the Germans a taste of their own Verdun tactics. We are getting Lloyd George's munitions now, all right."

A German officer who was taken prisoner paid tribute to the increased power of the British artillery.

BIG GUNS FIGHT ON BEFORE VERDUN

Infantry Struggles Cease From Exhaustion of Combatants.

FOE USES UP DIVISION

German Troops Suffer Immensely From French Flanking Fire.

SUFFERING FROM SHELL SHOCK

WOODSTOCK, Ont., June 14.—Word reached here today of the wounding by shell shock of one of the most popular officers that have left Woodstock, in the person of Lt. Malcolm Douglas, officer commanding the signalling section of the first Canadian division. Lieut. Douglas is the son of ex-Mayor M. Douglas of this city and went to England in charge of the signalling division of the 84th Battalion.

ARE NEGOTIATING FOR NEW POWER SUPPLY

Understood Hydro Has Arranged for Thirty-Two Thousand Horsepower.

It is understood from reliable sources, that the contract has not yet been fixed, but arrangements will be made with the Canadian Niagara Power Co. for an additional emergency supply of 22,000 horsepower to meet the increased demands which have been made to the Hydro Commission. As a result of a conference between the Ontario Government and the power companies it is hoped that the supply will be available to meet the pressing needs.

The price which is to be paid has not yet been fixed. The 100,000-horsepower obtained from the Ontario company last year has been inadequate to meet the requirements and it is to cope with these demands that negotiations have taken place.

HEAVY VOTE IN ASSEMBLY FOR ORGANIC UNION

Only Ninety-Two Dissenters in Evidence on Final Ballot.

SOME "LAST DITCHERS"

Rev. Robert Campbell Holds That Minority Now Controls Assembly.

WINNIPEG, June 14.—As was generally expected, the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, voted today to enter into organic union with the Methodist and Congregational churches, the majority being overwhelming.

For the first time in many years the assembly voted as the roll was called, each commissioner rising and answering aye or nay. A newspaper record of the vote, which was not officially announced in the afternoon, showed 403 votes for union and 92 votes against. The cast voted four to one for the union and the west five to one for it. In the east the total for union was 255, against 62. In the west the total was 148 for union and 20 against. The number absent or not voting was 117.

No Demonstration. There was no demonstration of any kind when the final decision was reached. It was thought that the opponents of union might leave the assembly in a body and that if this were not done, some other action of a sensational character might be taken. There was, however, nothing in evidence to indicate that the vote was anything out of the ordinary.

Prior to the final vote on union there was an interesting motion when an

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Special Cable to The Toronto World.

LONDON, June 14.—Having put the Austrians under Gen. Brusiloff are now giving them effective pursuit, and they are beginning to cut off many stray detachments and to bring in thousands of additional prisoners. The Russian general headquarters reported today that in all they have taken nearly 120,000 men, 1750 officers, 130 cannon and 260 machine guns since their advance began, and they took yesterday 20 officers and about 6000 men. They also captured yesterday six cannon, ten machine guns and many artillery and ammunition wagons.

In his haste to get away from the pursuing Russians the enemy abandoned at special points quantities of war materials so large as to defy exact enumeration on short notice, the Russians say. Included in their trophies are sufficient rails for about 20 miles of field railways.

Austrians Disorganized. Owing to the rapid movements and formidable blows rained on the Austrians by the Russians many of their units are completely disorganized. Russian headquarters says that the west is shown by the capturing of 414 officers, 17,000 soldiers, 29 guns, 34 machine guns, 55 caissons and other booty in a comparatively insignificant sector by Gen. Sticherbach-off in the fighting from June 6 to June 11.

The Russians have passed Zaturze Village, half way to the Vladimir-Volynski road from Lutsk. The enemy has displayed stubborn resistance on the Vladimir-Volynski road and battles still continue west of this village. Vladimir-Volynski is at the apex of an important triangle, one angle of which is based on Kovel, and the other is the terminus of a short line of railway from Kovel on the Polish frontier. In this fighting the Russian Cossacks are doing efficient service, and one detachment made a brilliant charge and sabred a hostile squadron of cavalry.

West of Dubno, one of the important points in the line.

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ITALIAN MINISTRY VIRTUALLY FORMED

Boselli, Who Will Be New Premier, is Dean of Parliament.

SONNINO TO STEP QUIT

Orlando Expected to Take Place as Head of Foreign Ministry.

ROME, June 14.—The new cabinet which is to replace that of Antonio Salandra, which resigned last Sunday, has been virtually formed. Paolo Boselli, who will be the new premier but will have no other portfolio, is 79 years old. He is the dean of parliament, having been a deputy since 1870. He held his first ministerial portfolio 40 years ago.

It is asserted that Baron Sonnino has definitely refused to remain the head of the foreign ministry and he probably will be succeeded by Vittorio E. Orlando, who was minister of justice in the Salandra cabinet. The other ministers will include Leonida Risolati-Bergamaschi, leader of the Reform Socialists and Prof. Luigi Luzzatti, former premier, and probably William Marconi, Gen. Paolo Morone and Vice-Admiral Camillo Corsi, respectively. The minister of war and marine in the Salandra cabinet, probably will retain these posts in the new ministry.

UPHEAVAL COMING IN TRADE POLICIES

Premier of France Forecasts Important Changes After War.

COMMERCIAL TYRANNY

Resolute Procedure Along New Lines Will Probably Be Necessary.

PARIS, June 14.—Premier Briand, welcoming the delegates to the economic conference, said that a military union of the entente allies was not sufficient and that the economic liberation of the world must be achieved.

One of Premier Briand's statements is considered significant in connection with the proposed changes in trade policies.

"If it is found that ancient errors have permitted our enemies to exercise irreparable tyranny upon the productive forces of the world you will abandon them resolutely in order to proceed along new lines," he said.

The proceedings of the conference were secret, and reports that it would consider the losses the various countries have suffered during the war were not confirmed, but Premier Briand's address made an allusion to the enormous extent of these losses, particularly in occupied territory, where the occupying forces, it pointed out, had shown no respect for accumulated resources, the vast stocks and equipment of factories, all of which would have to be replaced.

Accord is Complete. In the course of an interview, Andrew Bonar Law, secretary of state for the colonies, a delegate to the conference, stated that the British military forces had been ready since the opening of the Verdun campaign to take any action desired by the commanders of the French army, and that a complete accord existed between the British army and the supreme commanders of the French forces.

SOLDIERS CURBED IN ASSIGNING THEIR PAY

Some Protests Over Limitation of Twenty Days' Order Provides.

By a Staff Reporter. OTTAWA, June 14.—Some comment has been excited by a recent order-in-council limiting to 20 days' pay the amount that a soldier should be permitted to assign in some quarters. This has been criticized. However, the authorities still consider that this is the proper course to take. A month and his wife gets a separation allowance of \$20, in addition to the pay her husband assigns to her. Some men had assigned almost their entire pay with the result that they got into financial difficulties. They were unable to pay themselves a cent and were confined to barracks or camp all the time.

The authorities considered that \$12 is not an excessive amount for a soldier for the little necessities he must procure out of his own pocket.

It is stated that a deputation will visit Ottawa to protest against the action of the authorities, but the hint is given that the deputation will find its mission useless.

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WAR SUMMARY THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

RUSHING on their offensive, with a wing thrust out to the right and a wing thrust out to the left, the Russians are striving for control not only of the communications of the Galician plain, but of the communications of southern Poland, for the two political divisions stand or fall together, and Poland has no defensible frontier from the south. To control northern Galicia and southern Poland the Russians have advanced past the half-way mark between Lutsk and Vladimir-Volynski, their objective. In order to gain time, the enemy has decided to sacrifice a rear-guard. This devoted band is stubbornly resisting the Russian forces on the Vladimir-Volynski road. South of Dubno, the Russians are moving on Lemberg and Brody along the railway from Kovno to Lemberg. In the south they are advancing along the Dniester and have shoved out troops to occupy Sniatyn on the railway between Czernowitz and Kolomea. In the centre they have captured the heights northwest of Buczacz.

But the main trunk line for the Russian advance in the south is the Dniester River. This stream is navigable practically up to Przemysl and it is said that the Russians have 20,000 barges, which can be used to transport supplies by water. The seizure of this river will permit them to make a more rapid advance than by rail, for the Austrians and Germans are bound to destroy the railways in their retreat and the necessity of repairing railways would limit their advance along these to about three miles a day. With an open river on either side of their columns they can advance at the rate of 12 to 20, and even at a pinch, of 30 miles a day.

It is reported that up to the present few fresh troops have arrived to support the enemy. But as he is routed, the probability is, that, since he has called men from the Italian front, he will concentrate these fresh troops at a secret rendezvous and attempt to hit back by a surprise flanking blow, not unlikely based on Warsaw. But the Russian commanders are doubtless aware of this probability and they are pushing on so as to seize strategic points without delay. Besides, it will probably take the enemy some weeks to mass a fresh

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