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NEW RUSS POLITICAL CRISIS--MILUKOFF OUT

DESTROY

FIRST OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF CANADIAN TROOPS ATTACKING VIMY RIDGE.

BACK GROUND HE LOST AT BULLECCURT

New Posts Established On the West Side of Village.

REPORTS HEAVY FIGHTING

Severe Struggle Going Along North Side of the River Scarpe.

London, May 16.—The British have recaptured most of the ground they had lost in Bullecourt, and have established new posts on the west side of the village, says a dispatch today from Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters.

SEVERE FIGHTING

London, May 16, 1:45 p.m. gress today north of the River statement of operations in the WITH SFLENDID DASH

The text of the statement reads: "Fighting continued yesterday to our advantage in the western portion of Bullecourt. We captured a few prisoners in the course of a small encounter last night on the right of our position in the Hindenburg line east of the village "Severe fighting is in progress north

BITTER FIGHTING PROGRESSING. BY WM. PHILLIP SIMMS.
[Special Cable to The Advertiser.] Ispecial Cable to The Advertiser.]
With the British Armies in the Field.
(May 16.—Despite determined resistance the British early today regained nearly all the ground in Bullecourt which they lost yesterday, and also established new posts to the west of the village.

Bitter fighting is still in progress as this is dispatched.

The Germans are striving to the utmost of their power to retain the initiative of action on that part of the front where the British pressure is increasingly threatening them.

Early today the enemy started a heavy barrage fire along the British front positions from the Scarpe north to the railway running from Arras to Doual—a distance of nearly a mile. The british note in regard to these operations was given out here tonight:

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Doual—a distance of nearly a mile. The hail of teutonic projectiles rattled away for an hour and then came the attack. East of Bullecourt, near the Hindenburg line, some Germans, including an officer, were captured.

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FOR THE KINGDOM OF POLAND

Deadle over the parapets and dashed resolutely forward towards the objectives previously assigned. These positions were almost all difficult ones and some of them hitherto had been regarded as impregnable; such, for instance, as the heights on the left bank of the Isonzo, from Plava to Saicano Pass. The steep GERMANS AND AUSTRIANS ARE

FOR THE KINGDOM OF POLAND

Amsterdam, via London. May 16.— Warsaw telegrams say that the local press is eagerly discussing the question of the accession of a Polish king. They demand that the question be settled as soon as possible, as the state cannot be conducted properly without either king or regent. king or regent.
The Radical press is equally insistent

SASK. POPULATION. Regina, Sask., May 16.—Saskatchewan has a population of 715,381, according to a census taken by the provincial government. Population of the cities is given as follows: Regina, 40.000; Saskatoon, 21,054; Moose Jaw, 20.000; Prince Albert, 8,500; Weyburn, 4,000; Swift Current, 4,000; North Battle-

THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES Following were the highest and lowest imperatures recorded in London during to 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last OMORROW-FAIR AND WARMER. May 16-8 a.m. Forecasts.

Today—Fresh westerly winds; lair and becoming warmer.
Thursday—Fair and warmer.
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:
Stations. High. Low. Weather. Victoria. 54 42 Cloudy Provided the Calgary. 76 42 Clear Port Arthur. 82 62 Clear Port Arthur. 82 62 Clear Parry Sound. 52 36 Cloudy Stanley. 64 38 Cloudy Today-Fresh westerly winds; fair

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Parry Sound. 52
Port Stanley. 64
Ruffalo. 54
Toronto. 60
Kingston. 56
Ottawa. 50
Montreal. 50
Quebec. 44 Montreal 50 38 Clear
Quebec ... 44 30 Cloudy
Pather Point... 34 32 Rain
Weather Notes.
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a little since yesterday, and cool, unsettled weather prevails in the Mari-



front, says today's official CARRIED BY CADORNA

Through Tempest of Fire.

Rome, May 15-Via Paris, May 16.-Important successes were won by the Italians today in inaugurating their past, drive on the Isonzo front. The following official note in regard to these operations was given out here tonight:
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heights on the left bank of the Isonzo, from Plava to Saicano Pass. The steep slopes, covered with rocks and dotted here and there with thick clumps of brush, constituted a formidable obstacle to an infantry advance. Successive lines of trenches, prepared months ago above deep caverns, well supplied with defensive and offensive material, were defended by seasoned troops and protected by batteries placed so as to flank attackers with their fire.

"Notwithstanding these conditions, to be

"Notwithstanding these conditions, the Italian infantry advanced and still continues to advance. Valuable positions have been won and prisoners are flowing in to our concentration camps.

"Our aviators co-operated with great effect by bold and ceaseless reconnaisances, by skillful regulation of the artillery fire and bombardment of depots and convoys, and by prilliant combats with Austrian airplanes."

members in the form of a to be published tomorrow.

SOFIA DECLARES ALI ARE UNABLE TO London, May 16.—An combats with Austrian airplanes."

OTTOMANS TURN ON JEWS IN CITIES OF PALESTINE;

GERMAN MEMBER PROTESTS

London, May 16.—An Amsterdam dispatch to the Times says that Deputy Cohn, an Independent Socialist, asked Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg in the Reichstag if he were prepared to exert influence on the Turkish Government to prevent as far as was still possible a repetition of the Armenian atrocities in Palestine.

Deputy Cohn said that Djemal Pasha, commander of the Turkish forces in Syria, at the end of March had ordered all Jews, including German, Austro-Hungarian and Bulgarian subjects, to be removed from Jaifa and its neighborhood. Djemal Pasha said military considerations required this, although. Deputy Cohn said, his German chief of staff said it was unnecessary. The expelled Jews were reported to have been subjected, under the eyes of the Turkish authorities, to violence and robbery, many being killed. The Turks also did nothing toward feeding the fugitives. Deputy Cohn added that Germany would incur a great moral responsibility if she took no action. London, May 16 .- An Amsterdam dis-

VICTINGHOFF DEAD.

Severe fighting is in proSevere fighting is in proIMPREGNABLE' POINTS Three Hundred and SeventyLarge Force of Infantry and Five Men Secured in District, With Major Balfour Leading as Usual - Best

> Record in Some Time. Exceeding the number of men obtained in several previous half-monthly periods by 75 men, recruiting figures compiled at militia headquarters, show that 375 men were secured in Western Ontario during the half month just Major Balfour at the Amhersthurs

London mobilization centre, under Capt. Irvine, came next, with 32 men to its credit, after which were the Cyclists Platoon, under Lieut. Atkinson, for which 30 men, a complete cyclist platoon were obtained. The Canadian Engineers also attested 30 men, the Guelph Mobilization Centre 23, the 63rd Battery and the Samia Recruiting Depot, under Major McKenzie, each 20; No. 1 Forestry Company 16, the 64th Battery at Guelph 9, the Army Medical Corps 7, and the Woodstock Recruiting Depot, under Capt. MacCillivray, 6 men.

Takes a Big Jump.

These figures are considered most 32 Men at Armories

SOFIA DECLARES ALLIES ARE UNABLE TO ADVANCE

London, May 16.—An official statement issued on Monday by the Bulgarian war department at Sofia, after referring to artillery activity of varying intensity on the Macedonian front, says the offensive of the British, French, Russian and Italian forces, having completely failed, the Serbians are now putting forward desperate but ineffectual efforts to obtain some success, however small.

Petrograd, May 16.—Via London, 3 p.m.—Russian troops have again forced a crossing of the Diala River, on the Mesopotamia front northeast of Bagdad. They met with strong opposition on advancing from the river, however, and were compelled to fall back, says today's war office statement.

SWISS AT THE HAGUE.

London, May 16.—Switzerland, says a

NINE CANADIAN **BATTALIONS ARE**

Many Drafts Reach England.

Ottawa, May 16 .- It is officially announced through the chief press censor's office that the following troops have arrived safely in England:

Battallons-190th and 200th from Winnipeg, 223rd Winnipeg Scandinavian, 240th Lanark and Renfrew (including forestry draft), 177th Simcoe, 235th from Ottawa (Northumberland and Durham Battalion), 182nd Ontario County, 208th Toronto Irish, 245th Montreal, Drafts—Field Artillery from Vic-toria and Hallfax; Engineers, Medicai Corps, Army Service Corps, Forestry, from Winnipeg, Toronto, Brockville, Quebec, and Sussex: infantry from Rainy River and Toronto; Cyclists, Dental Corps, Naval flight lieutenants and Royal Flying, Corps, officers, Naval Ret. Flying Corps officers.; Naval Rat-

"BOOZE" REPORTS ARE **EXAGGERATED, STATES** RETURNED MINISTER

ings, Details.

RETURNED MINISTER

| Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, May 16.—Reports of drinking amongst the soldiers in England, the Hon. Mr. Hazen says, are very greatly exaggerated.
| "I had heard the reports before I went to England of drinking among uniformed men and made careful inquiries." These striking sentences are from a speech which Lieut.-Col. The Hon. P. E. Blondin made here last night before some 800 people in the opera house. Col. Blondin's speech followed some other very frank statements, Major-Gen. Lessard said the proportion of Quebec was one hundred thousand men. It was no use talking of how many British-born had been sent by this province or that, or such comparisons. The point that counted was that where there were eligible young men these men should go. The general reminded his hearers and the people of the province that Quebec had sent but 20,000 men. Hon. Mr. Hazen says, are very greatly London, May 16.—John Redmond. leader of the Irish Nationalists, today made his first appearance in the House of Commons since his illness, and said he had not received the Government's proposals for solution of the Irish question. Chancellor Bonar Law replied that they would be forwarded this afternoon and that they would be given to all members in the form of a white paper to be published tomorrow.

"I had heard the reports before I went to England of drinking among uniformed men and made careful inquiries. "The head of the London police force told me the day I inquired that there was the London district and that day there had been but sixteen arrests for drunk-enness. In the Canadian military camps in England I found that there was scarcely any drinking."

RUSSIANS CROSS DIALA, BUT ARE HALTED BY TURKS

London, May 16.—Switzerland, says a Central News dispatch from Zurich to-

GARDNER ENLISTS. Washington. May 16.—Representative Gardner of Massachusetts has resigned from Congress to enter the army. Central News dispatch from Zurich to-day, has established a legation at The Hague, and will transfer Dr. Paul Ritter, minister to the United States, from Washington to the new post. SOO LOCKS NEAR DESTRUCTION BY EXPLOSION WHICH KILLS SIX: AMERICAN TROOPS ORDERED OUT

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., May 16 .-- An attempt was made to destroy the entrance to the canal locks today. Martial law now prevails. The destruction of the locks would seriously handicap the shipping of grain to the Entente Allies.

KILLED BY EXPLOSION.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., May 16.—Six tioned at Fort Brady were ordered to men were killed and several others ser-The eastern disturbance has backed a little since yesterday, and cool, unsettled weather prevails in the Maritime Provinces.

Local showers have occurred in Alberta, while in Saskatchewan and Manitoba it has continued fair and fighting near Soissons.

VICTINGHOFF DEAD.

Amsterdam, via London, May 16.—
The death at the front of Gen. von Victinghoff, former governor of Strassburg, is reported in a dispatch from pier. Most of the victims were laborers. It is believed dynamite stored from wounds received in the recent fighting near Soissons.

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FRENCH REPEL ATTACK IN PARIS REPORTS FURIOUS FIGHT RAGING

TO SPLIT UP ALSACE-LORRAINE

Amsterdam, via London, May 16.—The Berlin Post believes that the interpellations in the Reich-stag concerning Alsace will cer-tainly be postponed. It says that the Administration is about to make a radical decision in record make a radical decision in regard to the future of Alsace Lorraine, involving a division of the province between Bavaria and Prus

ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, MEN OF QUEBEC MUST ENLIST, **BLONDIN INFORMS YOUTHS**

Coaticook, Que., May 16 .- "I say to Coaticook, Que., May 16.—"I say to you young men, who can be spared, that one way or the other you will have to follow me, and go. Don't wait until you are forced to do so. Do not have it said because the Province of Quebec has not put forth its full strength that we shall be forced to do so. It is our duty to do what our English-Canadian fellow-citizens have done."

These striking sentences are from a

MAUDE'S CAMPAIGN HALTS; ONLY SMALL AFFAIRS NOW

London, May 16, 1:20 p.m.—The British campaign in Mesopotamia, where a series of important victories over the Turks have been won, is now almost at a standstill. The following official report from the Mesopotamian front was issued here today:
"Though no important operations have occurred since the beginning of the month, we have secured 136 prisoners, including 29 in a skirmish near Deli Abbas."

GERMAN ADMIRALTY ADMITS LOSS OF THE ZEPPELIN L-22

Amsterdam, via London. May 16.—The loss of the zeppelin L-22 is officially admitted in a statement issued by the German admiralty. The statement says that the airship has been missing since May 14, and adds that an official British statement reports that it was destroyed by English sea forces in the North Sea.

A British admiralty statement of May 4 stated that the L-22 had been shot lown in the North Sea. FLOUR AT WINNIPEG HAS SLUMP OF FORTY CENTS

Winnipeg, May 16.—A drop of forty cents in the price of flour is announced by local millers, and first patents are quoted at \$7.50 per sack of 98 pounds MRS. SOLMAN DEAD.

ira. Solman was former's Mys. Donate and was a sister of the late Educal distalan and mother of Eddie

Powerful Assault Made By Germans In

Moulin-de-Laffaux, on the French front, where the Germans have attacked in force after an artillery strug-

THE WAR SITUATION

The demoralization of the Russian army and the consequent withdrawal of German forces from the eastern front are having their effect in France. The heavy reinforcements of men and guns which Field Marshal von Hindenburg has been able to throw into the defence of his sorely battered lines have, for the time being at least, caused a deadlock which the most furious efforts of the British and French have failed to

Ominous Hints. These first fruits of the chaos in Russia are the more ominous in the

hints they offer of future possibili-ties. The Council of Soldiers' and Workmen's Delegates seems to have the course it has elected to follow but it is a question if its awakening has not come too late. The soldiers in the ranks evidently have the bit in their teeth, and it remains to be seen if there is a hand strong enough to check them from bringing about practical anarchy.

One Hopeful Side.

The hopeful side of the picture is drawn by the multiplying signs that

the political and economic crisis in Germany is as acute as ever. The extraordinary measures taken by the German censorship to prevent the outside world from learning conditions in the empire have been largely successful, but some facts could not be concealed. Possibly for the first time in history, revolution and a German republic have been openly talked about in the Reichstag and, most significant of all, apparently the authorities do not dare to check the growing audacity of the radicals. In fact the pressure of the malcontents has become so great as to force the Government to hastily withdraw its refusal to permit radical Socialist delegates to attend the international Socialist conference at Stockholm. The food situation in Germany also

appears to be growing steadily worse and alarm is expressed in various quarters that the available supply will not suffice to feed the nation until the next harvest. The effusive promises with which the Adminis

agitation have proved hollow, and there are complaints that an at-tempt to substitute meat for bread is seriously diminishing the country's stock of milk animals. Apart from France the only news of importance in the war regions comes from the Italian front. Gen. Cadorna has opened an offensive on the Isonzo line, but the reports from Vienna and Rome are diametrically opposed as to the initial results. The Italians have made some gains

too early as yet to judge how the

Region of Moulin-de-Laffaux-Surprise Attempts Foiled By French. Paris, May 16 .- A violent battle is raging near

gle which lasted throughout the night. The official statement of the war office says that the French are maintaining all their positions. The attack is on a front of four kilometres.

The statement follows: 'Artillery fighting continued during cial Democrat. the night.

maintained our positions in spite of his repeated efforts. The fighting continues at various points. Surprise attacks undertaken by the Germans in the regions of Auberive, a.m.-Having discussed the conditi-

in today's official statement.

STOP GAMBLING IN FOOD, WILSON URGES

Ranks Second Only To Army and Navy in Importance.

Washington, May 16 .- Members of the Senate and House agriculture comleagues that President Wilson is unusually anxious for early passage of legislation to stop speculation in foods and regulate production.

The food situation ranks second only to the army and navy in importance for the war, the president sold the committee members at a White House conference last night.

It seemed probable today that all food legislation pending in Congress will be arranged in three administration bills—one providing for a food survey bills—one providing for a food and regulate production and distribu-tion. The food situation ranks second

FOR EXPRESSING DISLIKE OF EMPEROR OF GERMANY

St. Francisville, Ill., May 16. — Mrs. Katrina Couch, wife of the Rev. Jas. Couch, former pastor of a Christian Church near here, has been shot in Germany as a spy. according to news conveyed to Mr. Couch through the Swiss foreign office.

The probable circumstance that could have led to her weath, Mr Couch said, was that military censors intercented one of her letters to him, in which she too freely expressed her dislike for the German emperor.

Mrs. Couch came to the United States from Germany with her parents when 11 years old. Fifteen years ago her parents returned to Germany, and about six months ago she with her three children went to visit them.

OUT OF RUSS **NEW CABINET**

Petrograd Foreign Minister Drops His Portfolio.

THE COALITION MAKE-UP

Provisional Ministry Unable To Accept Terms of the Soldiers' Council.

Petrograd, May 16 .- Via London, 3:40 p.m.—Paul N. Milukoff, minister of foreign affairs, has resigned, leaving the cabinet altogether. M. Tereschtenko, the minister of finance, has been appointed foreign minister, and A. F. Kerensky, previously minister of justice, has been named minister of war and marine.

THE COALITION CABINET. The probable composition of the coali Prince G. A. Lvoff (the nre

sor Paul Milukoff (now foreign mini ter).
Minister of Foreign Affairs—M. Terr schtenko (now minister of finance). Minister of Finance—A. I. Shingaroff (now minister of agriculture).

Minister of Commerce and Industry . I. Konovaloff (now minister of trade

Minister of Communications-N. V Nekrasoff (the present incumbent).
Minister of War—A. F. Kerensky (now minister of justice).

Minister of Marine—M. Skobeleff, vicepresident of the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates or Admiral Kolthak, commander of the Black Sea fleet Minister of Agriculture-M. Tchernoff, revolutionary Socialist.

me night.

"After a violent bombardment, the Moscow lawyer and Social Democrat, or Moscow lawyer and Moscow lawyer and Moscow lawyer and Moscow la enemy this morning delivered a power-ful attack on a front of four kilometres In the region of Moulin-de-Laffaux. We Minister of Munitions—M. Pechekon-

Minister of Labor-M. Gvozdeff, a Se

RADICAL PROGRAM UNACCEPTED. Petrograd, May 16-Via London, 10 Avocourt and Barrenkopf were broken under which representatives of the up by our fire. In upper Alsace one of Council of Workmen's and Soldier our light detachments penetrated the enemy trenches and brought back prisoners after having wrecked defensive positions of the enemy."

A BERLIN REPORT.

Council of Workmen's and Soldiers Delegates would consent to enter the cabinet, the Provisional Government decided today that it was unable to accept the first of these conditions. This called for the enunciation as a fundamental principle of a foreign policy openly purprinciple of a foreign policy openly pur suing the aim of reaching as soon a Berlin, May 16—Via London.—The suing the aim of reaching as soon as capture of trenches on a front of 600 metres east of Laneuville is announced ations or indemnities, on the basis of the right of nations to work out the own destinies. The Provisional Government was unable to agree to such principle, because it did not consider set forth in its proclamation of April 9

The Provisional Government furthe thinks it necessary to confirm the unit of all Allied fronts, and insists on an energetic struggle against anarchy. To the financial and economic reforms men-tioned by the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates the Governmen raises no objections, regarding it as art of its task to realize such reforms.

'PEG EXCHANGE PROHIBITS ALL BUYING IN OCTOBER: A MAXIMUM PRICE NAMED

The executive committee of the Duma

has approved this decision of the Go

ernment.

Winnipeg, May 16 .- At a special meet and stimulating production, already under consideration in the Senate, another regulating distribution and prices, and the third authorizing a system of preferential shipments.

AMERICAN LADY EXECUTED

TOD EVENT COMMON PLANT This resolution extends prohibitions in regard to October wheat, which otherwise would have expired this morning.