

BRITISH WIN BACK THE MOST OF BULLECOURT

Weather Forecast:
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NEW POLITICAL CRISIS--MILUKOFF OUT ATTEMPT MADE TO DESTROY SOO CANAL

HAG TAKING BACK GROUND HE LOST AT BULLECOURT

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.—Severe fighting is in progress today north of the River Scarpe, on the Arras battlefield, says today's official statement of operations in the Franco-Belgian war theatre.

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 bank of the Scarpe, and the Hindenburg line east of the village. "Severe fighting is in progress north of the Scarpe."

BITTER FIGHTING PROGRESSING.

BY WM. PHILLIP SIMMS.
[Special Cable to The Advertiser.]
With the British armies in the field, May 16.—Despite determined resistance the British early pressure is increasing 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 Douai—a distance of nearly a mile. The hall 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.

GERMANS AND AUSTRIANS ARE DEADLOCKED OVER MONARCHY 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.

The radical press is equally insistent on the declaration of a Polish republic. Berlin and Vienna are reported to be in a deadlock over the subject.

SASK. POPULATION.

Regina, Sask., May 15.—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, 10,000; Saskatoon, 21,054; Moose Jaw, 20,000; Prince Albert, 8,500; Weyburn, 4,000; Swift Current, 4,000; North Battleford, 3,500.

THE WEATHER.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 63; lowest, 38. The official temperature for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 57; lowest, 40.

TOMORROW—FAIR AND WARMER.

Forecasts.
Today—Fresh westerly winds; fair and becoming warmer. May 16—3 a.m. Thursday—Fair and warmer. Temperatures.
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today: Weather. Stations. High. Low. Victoria..... 54 42 Cloudy Calgary..... 54 42 Clear Port Arthur..... 52 36 Clear Parry Sound..... 52 36 Cloudy Port Stanley..... 54 42 Cloudy Buffalo..... 54 42 Cloudy Toronto..... 59 43 Cloudy Kingston..... 56 40 Cloudy Ottawa..... 59 36 Fair Montreal..... 59 38 Clear Quebec..... 44 30 Cloudy Father Point..... 34 32 Rain

Weather Notes.
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



FIRST OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPH OF CANADIAN TROOPS ATTACKING VIMY RIDGE.

RECRUITING TAKES BIG JUMP IN FIRST HALF OF MONTH

'IMPREGNABLE' POINTS
CARRIED BY CADORNA
WITH SPLENDID DASH

The Italian Infantry Charge
Through Tempest of Fire.

Rome, May 15.—Via Paris, May 16.—Important successes were won by the Italians today in inaugurating their drive on the Isonzo front. The following official note in regard to these operations was given out here tonight: "The offensive action now being developed on the Julian front, which was announced in today's statement, was preceded by vast, intense and methodical artillery preparation. Fire was opened on the morning of May 13 along the whole line from Tolmino to the sea. It was extremely violent on the morning of May 14, when it was intensified to a powerful drumfire."

Taken By Surprise.
"During the first part of the bombardment the enemy reacted but feebly. It seemed as though the Austrians had been taken by surprise, but their reply was more vigorous on May 13 and especially on the morning of May 14, when the 14th Austrian battery then opened a heavy curtain fire, pouring thousands of projectiles on the trenches in the Italian line."

Undeterred by this tempest of fire, the Italian infantry, towards noon, leaped over the parapets and dashed resolutely forward towards the objectives previously assigned. These positions were almost all difficult ones and some of them had been fortified with machine guns and heavy artillery. The Italian troops, however, were not deterred by these obstacles and by the fire of the enemy's guns, and by brilliant attacks on the Austrians' positions."

OTTOMANS TURN ON JEWS
IN CITIES OF PALESTINE;
GERMAN MEMBER PROTESTS

London, May 16.—An Amsterdam dispatch to the Times says that Deputy Chamberlain, independent Socialist, said in the Reichstag that he was prepared to prevent any action in the Turkish Government which might lead to 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 the year had ordered all Jews, including German, Austrian, Hungarian and Bulgarian subjects, to be removed from Syria and its neighbourhood. Djemal Pasha said military considerations required this, although Cohn said that his German chief of staff said it was unnecessary.

He said Jews were reported to have been subjected to violence and also to have been killed. The Turkish Government would incur a great moral responsibility if it took no action.

VICTIMHOOD DEAD.
Amsterdam, via London, May 16.—The death at the front of Gen. von Strassburg, reported in a dispatch from Berlin, Gen. von Strassburg died from wounds received in the recent fighting near Soissons.

NINE CANADIAN BATTALIONS ARE SAFELY LANDED

Large Force of Infantry and
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: Battalions—190th and 200th from Winnipeg, 223rd Winnipeg Scandina- navian, 240th Lanark and Renfrew (including forestry drafts), 177th Simcoe, 237th from Ottawa (Northumberland and Durham Battalions), 182nd Ontario County, 205th Toronto Irish, 245th Montreal.

Drafts—Field Artillery from Victoria and Halifax; Engineers, Medical 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 Ratings, Details.

TO SPLIT UP
ALSACE-LORRAINE

Amsterdam, via London, May 16.—The Berlin Post believes that the interpolations in the Reichstag concerning Alsace will certainly be postponed. It says that the Administration is about to make a radical decision in regard to the future of Alsace Lorraine, involving a division of the province between Bavaria and Prussia.

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

Coteau, 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 speech which Lieut.-Col. The Hon. P. E. Blondin made here last night before some 500 people in the opera house. Col. Blondin's speech followed some other very frank statements.

Major Gen. Lussard 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 there must be a proportion of them. He reminded his hearers and the people of the province that Quebec had sent but 200 men.

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 23 in a skirmish near Dili 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 zeppelin was last seen on May 14, and adds that the last British statement reports that it was destroyed by English sea forces in the North Sea.

A British admiralty statement of May 14 stated that the L-22 had been shot down 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 patients are quoted at \$7.50 per sack of 48 pounds.

MRS. SOLMAN DEAD.
Toronto, May 15.—Mrs. Solman, wife of Lawrence Solman, manager of the Royal Alexandra Theatre, the Toronto Ferry Company, the Arena and other enterprises, died early this morning.

FRENCH REPEL ATTACK IN GREAT FORCE AFTER ALL NIGHT ARTILLERY BATTLE; PARIS REPORTS FURIOUS FIGHT RAGING

Powerful Assault Made By Germans In
Region of Moulin-de-Laffaux—Surprise
Attempts Foiled By French.

Paris, May 16.—A violent battle is raging near Moulin-de-Laffaux, on the French front, where the Germans have attacked in force after an artillery struggle 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 WAR SITUATION

The statement follows:
"Artillery fighting continued during the night.
"After a violent bombardment, the enemy this morning delivered a powerful attack on a front of four kilometres in the region of Moulin-de-Laffaux. We maintained our positions in spite of his repeated efforts. The fighting continues at various points along the front."

Surprise attacks undertaken by the Germans in the regions of Aubervilliers, Avocourt and Barrenkopf were broken up by our fire. In upper Alsace one of our light detachments penetrated the enemy trenches and brought back prisoners after having wrecked defensive positions of the enemy."

A BERLIN REPORT.
Berlin, May 16.—Via London.—The capture of trenches on a front of 500 metres east of Lamerville is announced 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 committees today reported to their colleagues that President Wilson is unusually anxious for early passage of legislation to stop speculation in foods and regulate production and distribution. The food situation ranks second only to the army and navy in importance for the war, the president told 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 administrative bills—one providing for a food survey 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
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 death, Mr. Couch said, was that military censors interested 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.

MILUKOFF IS OUT OF RUSS GOVERNMENT; 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. Tereschenko, 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 coalition cabinet, as reported today with reserve, follows:
Premier and Minister of the Interior—Prince G. A. Lvov (the present incumbent).
Minister of Public Instruction—Prof. sor Paul Milukoff (now foreign minister).
Minister of Foreign Affairs—M. Tereschenko (now minister of finance).
Minister of Finance—A. I. Shingarov (now minister of agriculture).
Minister of Commerce and Industry—A. I. Konovall (now minister of trade and commerce).
Minister of Communications—N. V. Nekrasov (the present incumbent).
Minister of War—A. F. Kerensky (now minister of justice).
Minister of Marine—M. Skobelev, vice-president of the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates or Admirals' Council, commander of the Black Sea fleet.
Minister of Agriculture—M. Tchernoff, a revolutionary Socialist.
Minister of Labor—M. Gvozdev, a Social Democrat.

Minister of Justice—M. Nikitine, a Moscow lawyer, a member of the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates or Admirals' Council, a National Socialist.

RADICAL PROGRAM UNACCEPTED.
Petrograd, May 16.—Via London, 10:15 a.m.—Having rejected the conditions under which representatives of the 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 annulment as a fundamental principle of a foreign policy openly pursuing the aim of reaching as soon as possible a general peace without annexations or indemnities, on the basis of the rights of nations to work out their own destinies. The Provisional Government was unable to agree to such a principle, because it did not consider possible any foreign policy principles set forth in its proclamation of April 3.

The Provisional Government further thinks it necessary to confirm the unity of all Allied fronts, and to support an energetic struggle against anarchy, the financial and economic reforms mentioned by the Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates or Admirals' Council, raises no objections, regarding it as part of its task to realize such reforms. The executive committee of the Duma has approved this decision of the Government.

PEG EXCHANGE PROHIBITS
ALL BUYING IN OCTOBER;
A MAXIMUM PRICE NAMED

Winnipeg, May 16.—At a special meeting of the council of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange today reported to their colleagues that President Wilson is unusually anxious for early passage of legislation to stop speculation in foods and regulate production and distribution. The food situation ranks second only to the army and navy in importance for the war, the president told the committee members at a White House conference last night.

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WINNIPEG COUNCIL WANTS
THE FOODSTUFFS MOBILIZED
AND UNDER GOVT. CONTROL

Winnipeg, May 16.—That the Federal Government should take immediate steps toward mobilizing the food supplies of the dominion and establishing central control, and that the cold storage situation should be rectified by providing Government plants and Government abattoirs, was the substance of a resolution passed by the city council last night.