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Greatest Battle World Has Known Starts on Czar's Lines; More Saint John Homes Saddened By Cable News

Nearly Seven Millions In Grips on Front From Riga To Danube

The Russians Early Are Gaining Advantage

ONE HUNDRED MILES OF IT

Czar Apparently Aiming to Envelop Halicz From North and Cut Enemy's Communicating Lines

New York, Oct. 21.—The London correspondent of the Tribune writes as follows:—

"The greatest battle in the world's history is about to be waged on the eastern front, in the line of high military officials war. After months of manœuvring nearly seven millions of men have come to grips along an unbroken front from Riga to the Danube.

"Hand-to-hand fighting of the most violent character is going on a whole length of the 900-mile line. The next three weeks will probably see the climax of its struggle.

"So far there is no indication of a definite result, although the Russians unquestionably are slowly gaining ground. The slow advance is at the moment being made in the north and the fighting on the Teuton line of communications between that stronghold and Lemberg.

"That the attacks of the Czar's troops are succeeding in smashing the enemy's defenses at some points is indicated in no uncertain manner by the sudden and hurried transfer of the German third army division to the Halicz sector from Lemberg where they had hitherto been held in reserve.

"In Volhynia the Russians have made a dent in the enemy's line near Czerniary, fifteen miles south-southwest of Kovel."

CAPT. GALLANT WINS MAJORITY

Promotion Comes to Popular and Efficient Officer of 165th

Captain Gallant of the 165th Battalion, was promoted to major and 4th Company. He is one of the most efficient officers of the 165th.

Orders were received from Ottawa this morning at the headquarters of the N. B. command to the effect that the 165th Battalion must be thoroughly drilled soldiers. The bands for many months have not been crossing into England to France as bands, but have been broken up and in many cases raised as stretcher bearers.

IT IS NOT TYPHOID

Several students attending the University of St. Joseph's college, St. Joseph's N. B., have been unable to follow their studies owing to an illness that was said to resemble typhoid fever. The authorities took steps to check the disease. Specimens of the blood taken from the students who were ill were sent to this city for analysis. The report received was that there was no typhoid. It is believed that the illness is an intestinal infection caused by the exceptional dry weather there of late. So far as can be known none of the students is seriously ill and those who were ill are reported to be on the road to recovery. The fact that the analysis proved that the disease was not typhoid will ease the minds of the parents in this city who were attending the institution.

HE MUST BE AN OPTIMIST

London, Oct. 21.—Dr. Krauss, under-secretary for the colonies, today declared his conviction that Germany would not sue her colonies. He said his conviction was shared by Dr. W. S. Solf, colonial secretary. He declared that the fate of colonies has always been decided on European battlefields and that the present decision must be left to the army and navy.

British Press On; Now Nearer Bapaume

Make Gain Near Butte de Walencourt and Raid Trenches Near Neuve Chapelle; Early Winter on East Front

London, Oct. 21.—The British on the Somme front have made additional gains in their push toward Bapaume since they were repulsed from Albert. Making a gain of ground near Butte de Walencourt. They also successfully raided enemy trenches south of Neuve Chapelle.

EARLY WINTER ON RUSSIAN FRONT

London, Oct. 21.—There is every indication that winter will set in very early on the Russian front, according to new despatches from Petrograd. Snow has been falling thickly in the Russian capital during the last two days and there have been several snow falls in the Carpathians.

In Rumania, however, the probability is that there will be some weeks yet of good campaigning weather. Autumn in the Rumanian plains is prolonged and autumn in the mountains is prolonged. In the southern slope of the mountain range which forms the northern frontier of the Balkans, there will be no serious hindrance to campaigning in either Transylvanian Alps or the Dobruja for at least three or four weeks.

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TRAFALGAR DAY IN ST. JOHN

The echoes of old Trinity pealed out the confident notes of "Rule Britannia, Britannia Rules the Waves" this morning to remind the citizens that this is the anniversary of Trafalgar Day, the day on which the supremacy of the British navy was established on the seas, and which is a day of a solemn service of intercession and thanksgiving which was held at noon, with special prayers to the officers and men of His Majesty's Navy.

Following "Rule Britannia" came the strains of "O Canada. We stand on Guard for Thee." which was sung in a most appropriate manner.

The church was well filled for the occasion and, in addition to the citizens who filled the pews, there were present Lieutenant-Colonel J. L. McAvilly, Major-General Groves, and other officers of the staff, Lieutenant-Commander Wood, Captain May and Lieutenant Knowlton who have seen service on the firing line at day.

BRITISH PEERS HAVE GIVEN OF THEIR BEST ON THE BATTLEFIELDS

Fifty Five Sons of Noblemen Killed in War; Also Sons of Four Cabinet Ministers

London, Oct. 10.—(Correspondence.)—Fifty-five sons of British peers have fallen on the battlefields of the European war.

The last was Lieut. W. Wyndham Tennant, eldest son of Glen-Connor, who was killed in France on Sept. 22 at the age of nineteen. Only a few days before his cousin, Lieut. Mark Tennant, died in action.

Four cabinet ministers, Mr. Asquith, Lord Lansdowne, Pike Pease and Arthur Henderson, have lost sons and Lord Crewe a son-in-law.

THE SOLDIERS' VOTE IS AGAINST PROHIBITION

Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 21.—The soldiers' vote cast in Canada changes in three or four constituencies the result as left by the civilian vote in British Columbia. Premier Bowser's forty-five ahead of the lowest Liberal in Vancouver; Lieut. Frank Mackenzie, Conservative, is elected in Delta; Captain W. W. Foster, Conservative, wins the Island, oldest son of George MacInnes, Socialist, has apparently defeated Hon. W. R. Ross in Port George. The soldiers vote on prohibition is 8,347 for and 8,820 against.

THE WHEAT MARKET

Chicago, Oct. 21.—Fresh advances in the price of wheat today were met by heavy profit-taking sales, but on declines the market ran into resting orders to purchase and there was a consequent rally. Opening price, which ranged from 1/2 to 1 1/2 cents higher, with December at 1.09 1/2, and May at 1.09 1/2 to 1.10 1/2, were followed by a material setback and then a renewed upturn.

SON OF THOMAS GORMAN GIVES HIS LEE IN WAR

Several More in Casualty List Today

MARITIME PROVINCE MEN

Tell of Heavy Fighting on Western Front Continues to be Paid in Part by Brave Lads of Eastern Canada

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Besides his parents he is survived by two brothers, Arthur and John and five sisters, Mrs. Josephine, Kathleen and Elizabeth, Mrs. Arthur O'Neill and Sister Ethelreda of St. Vincent's convent, St. John's.

His father is a member of the St. John's Athletic Club and is a member of the St. John's Athletic Club.

The midnight casualty list of yesterday included the name of W. J. Dumas, infantry, wounded. The address given was the Cliff street, Dunsmuir, before leaving this morning he visited the fact that Pte. Dumas had a sister who was at home in St. John's. They are western people and, it is said, have no relatives in this city.

MORE ABOUT ANCHOR AND DONALDSON LINE AMALGAMATION

New York, Oct. 21.—A new steamship company, to be known as the Anchor and Donaldson line, organized by a fusion of the interests of the Anchor and Donaldson steamship companies' ships has been organized for the Glasgow-Canadian passenger and freight trade, according to a cablegram received here today by the local representatives of the Anchor line.

Directors of other lines will be represented on the board of directors of the new company, with Sir Alfred Booth of the Cunard line as chairman, the Cunard line having large interests in the Anchor line. The steamers Letitia, Cassandra, Athena and Setonia, heretofore flying the flag of the Donaldson line, will be transferred to the new organization.

The Donaldson line is now operating a service between Liverpool and the River Plate and prominent South American ports. It has a fleet of twenty-five ships, totalling 89,992 tons. The Anchor line operates a passenger and freight service between Glasgow and New York calling at Liverpool in conjunction with the Cunard service. It has a fleet of fifteen ships with a total tonnage of 114,922 tons.

Phelix and Pherdinand

Weather Report

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Sturpatrick, director of meteorological service

Synopsis—The storm is dispersing to the northwest of the Great Lakes. Rain has been general from Ontario to the maritime provinces. Snow is falling this morning near Lake Superior and Manitoba.

Ontario Valley—Strong southwest winds, unsettled with occasional showers; Sunday, cloudy and cooler.

Maritime—Strong winds and moderate gales southwest and west, mostly cloudy and mild with occasional rain today and on Sunday.

New England—Cloudy and colder tonight; temperature close to freezing Sunday, partly cloudy, diminishing southwest to west winds.

Mackensen Hits Heavily But Little So Far Has Been Gained By Him

Enemy Offensive Extends From Danube to Black Sea; Effort in Balkans Believed to be Germany's Last Face Card

Several St. John Soldiers Here From Front

London, Oct. 21.—While General Von Falkenhayn's troops, who are attempting to invade Roumania through the Carpathians, have made little progress during the last forty-eight hours, Field Marshal Von Mackensen has struck heavily in Dobruja. His offensive extends along the whole front from the Danube to the Black Sea.

According to advices thus far received, his only success has been some slight gains on the Black Sea side, but it is believed here that this battle is only in its early stages. Meanwhile the Gyimes and Oltuz Passes in the Transylvanian Alps continue the main points in the Austro-German efforts from Transylvania. In the Gyimes Pass the invaders have reached Gocosa, twelve miles from the frontier in Rumania, but in the Oltuz Pass they have been driven back to the frontier.

In the southern passes the situation is unchanged.

More than a fortnight has passed since the Roumanians had to withdraw before this strong force and the enemy has not obtained his aim. The Carpathians have become the tomb of thousands of the enemy and the impetuous attacks of the Bavarian Highlanders have been repulsed with enormous losses.

Petrograd, Oct. 21.—An attack on the Russo-Rumanian lines in Dobruja by Field Marshal Von Mackensen's forces yesterday resulted in the defenders losing the village of Kokardja. Later attacks on the Entente lines in the same region were repulsed.

RED SOX ARE TO BE PENALIZED

Broke Rule of the National Baseball Commission

Other Punishment Also Coming for Engaging in Exhibition Game After World Series—Sixty or Seventy More Big Leaguers Also

Chicago, Oct. 21.—Members of the Boston Americans are to be deprived of the emblems usually presented to world's champions because they violated a rule of the National Commission forbidding players to engage in exhibition games after the world's series. In addition to the players of the Boston Americans who have engaged in barnstorming without the consent of the commission are to suffer various penalties.

B. B. Johnson, president of the American League, and member of the National commission, today with other members of the commission took up the work of punishing the guilty players and providing penalties for the offenses.

"The commission has a hard and fast rule against the guilty players must be disbanded at the end of the world's series and not engage in exhibition games, either as individuals or as teams," said Mr. Johnson. "It also forbids players of other major leagues from doing so without the consent of the commission."

"In defiance of that rule, the Boston Americans played at New Haven on Sunday and the first step the commission has decided on is to withhold the championship trophies from the players who took part in the New Haven game or shared in its receipts. They will be punished more severely, but in what degree has not been determined."

Mr. Johnson is in receipt of a letter from President Lammie of the Boston club in which he says he did not give his players permission to engage in the New Haven game.

Other Late Sport News

New York, Oct. 21.—Frank Thorold of Shenectady, N.Y., successfully defended his pocket billiards title here last night, defeating Ralph Greenleaf of Monmouth, Ill., by 480 to 407.

Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 21.—Jimmy Duffy of Lockport, N.Y., was given the referee's decision on points at the end of a ten round bout with Frank Whitney of Atlanta here last night. Nearly every round went to Duffy. The men fought as lightweights.

GREEKS ACCEPTING THE SITUATION AS INEVITABLE

Athens, Oct. 19.—(Delayed.)—The demoralized Greek army, under the command of the Entente Allies' feet in the Mediterranean, upon Greece, include the right to transfer, disband or appoint any police officer or detective in Greece.

The marines now in Athens and Piræus are to remain there, but no more will be landed for the present.

The Greeks are accepting the situation as inevitable. Athens and Piræus are calm.

THE SERBIANS CONTINUE TO PRESS BACK THE BULGAR FORCE

Further Progress by Gallant Troops That Crossed Cerna

A BRILLIANT SUCCESS

Their Work of Greatest Importance in Entente Programme for Capture of Monastir—Account of Thursday's Fight Shows Bulgars Decisively Beaten

Paris, Oct. 21.—The official account of operations on the Macedonian front today says that the Serbian forces which crossed the Cerna River, thrusting back the Bulgarians and capturing seven villages, are continuing the offensive movement and have made further progress.

Battle for Monastir

London, Oct. 21.—The battle for Monastir, Serbia, takes first place today in the London newspapers. The Serbians are credited with a brilliant success, having, by the capture of Brod and Veljevo, gained a position behind the main Bulgarian front against which the Entente Allies made an unsuccessful attack in force on last Saturday.

The Serbian advance is regarded as of the greatest importance to the whole Entente programme against Monastir. The Serbians are still continuing the battle, which also had been taken up by their allies. The latest despatch comes from Reuter's Athens' correspondent under date of Friday. It says: "There is desperate fighting in the Kenal sector, where the Serbians are attacking along the entire line, supported by the French. The struggle went on all day yesterday and has not yet been concluded."

The British press representative with the Serbian army wired on Thursday: "The sudden thrust of the Serbians across the Cerna River has driven the Bulgarians out of the villages of Brod, Dradovo and Veljevo and the enemy is being chased by cavalry out of sight behind the hills. The Kanali line of entrenchments which are comparable to the trenches of the western front in strength and against which a determined front attack proved inadequate last week, are now, geographically speaking, turned. The Serbians on the Bulgar left flank are well behind the main alignment of the Bulgar front. Today's offensive, in fact, surpassed the expectations even of the Serbians themselves."

STORY OF THE FIGHT

London, Oct. 21.—The British press correspondent with the Serbian army gives the following description of Thursday's battle:—

"The day's fighting began at eight o'clock in the morning. Artillery, in (Continued on page 9, seventh column.)