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FAIR AND WARM

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BRITISH PENETRATE GERMAN LINES TWO-THIRDS OF MILE

SUBMARINES SINK FEWER STEAMERS

Thirteen British Vessels of 1,600 Tons and Over Sent to Bottom.

SMALLEST NUMBER OF ANY WEEK

Two German Submarines Sent to Bottom by the British.

STEAMER RAMS ONE OF U-BOATS

Second Craft Was Sunk by Torpedo Boat Destroyer.

London, Sept. 26.—Thirteen British merchantmen of 1,600 tons and over and two vessels of less than 1,600 tons were sunk by mines or submarines last week, according to the weekly Admiralty statement, issued this evening. In the aggregate this is the smallest number of vessels sunk during any one week since Germany began her intensified submarine warfare last February. Two fishing vessels also were sunk last week.

Two U-boats Sunk. An Atlantic Port, Sept. 26.—Passengers arriving here today on a steamer from a British port told of the sinking of two German submarines, one of which had attacked a transport convoyed by British destroyers. The transport was fired on by a U-boat late at night September 14, according to the story, off the Irish coast. It was a bright moonlight night and officers on the moonship saw the silvery path of the torpedo. Shots were fired at the hostile craft by the gunners on the transport, but the submarine was finally sunk by a destroyer. The second U-boat reported sunk, attacked a steamship of the same line, carrying a large number of passengers and a heavy cargo. When the periscope of a submarine was sighted, the steamship immediately made for the craft, ramming it as it rose to the surface, clearing it in two. As the U-boat sank, a number of sailors were seen in the water, it was said, but the work of rescuing them was left to the destroyers in the wake of the steamship.

MAY TAKE OVER THE STEAMSHIPS SOON

United States Government Expects to Use Every Available Vessel.

It is considered that the Eastern Steamship Lines steamers Calvin Austin and Governor Dingley, now running to St. John, will soon be taken over by the United States government. The company has been expected to transfer for some time. A dispatch from Washington last evening read: "A charter rate of \$575 a ton a month, had been decided on by the shipping board as a base the government will pay for requisitioned ocean-going merchant vessels. Within a short time the board will take over for government use every American vessel available for overseas service."

PERU PROBABLY NEXT.

Lima, Peru, Sept. 26.—The government has instructed the Peruvian minister at Berlin to present to the German government a demand that satisfaction be given within eight days for the sinking of the Peruvian bark Lorton. If the demand is not met, diplomatic relations will be broken off.

Sweeping Attack by the British Forces a Complete Success

Field Marshal Haig's Troops Capture Important Position Around Tower Hamlets and Strong German Field Works on Six Mile Front.

MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND PRISONERS DURING THE SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS

Powerful Resistance Offered by the Teutons Throughout the Day and at Late Hour Hard Fighting Was Still in Progress.

London, Sept. 26.—In an attack along a six mile front today the British troops captured an important position around Tower Hamlets and strong German field works, according to the official report from Field Marshal Haig tonight.

Powerful resistance was offered by the Germans throughout the day and they delivered many strong counterattacks. "But," says the British commander, "our operations were entirely successful." The text of the statement reads: "Our attack this morning was delivered on a total front of nearly six miles from south of Tower Hamlets to east of St. Julien. Our operations were entirely successful.

Heavy Counter-Attacks. "Later in the day the enemy delivered a series of heavy counter-attacks along our new front resulting in hard fighting, which is still continuing at certain points." South of the Ypres-Menin road an attack carried out by English troops successfully completed the capture of the tower Hamlets spur and gained possession of strong German field works on its eastern slopes which had been isolated by the enemy's attack yesterday.

A powerful counter-attack in the direction of Gheluyel was repulsed. "On the right of our main attack north of the Ypres-Menin road, our troops met obstinate resistance and heavy fighting took place in the area across which the enemy counter-attacked yesterday. After a severe struggle lasting throughout the greater part of the day English and Scottish battalions drove the enemy from his positions and accomplished the task which had been assigned to them of our principal attack."

Galant Scotchmen. "In their advance our troops relieved two companies of Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, who had held out with great gallantry during the night in a forward position in which they had been isolated by the enemy's attack yesterday morning.

In the afternoon the enemy attempted another counter-attack in great strength in this sector where fierce fighting is still continuing. "Further north Australian troops cleared the remainder of Polygon Wood and captured a German trench system to the right of it, which formed their objectives for the day."

On their left English, Scottish and Welsh battalions penetrated the enemy's defense to a depth of nearly a mile, stormed Zonnebeke and gained the line of their objectives. "The Germans Repulsed. "During the afternoon a counter-attack directed against our new positions east of Polygon Wood was repulsed. "On the left of our attack, North Midland and London territorials attacking on both sides of the Wytsi-Gravenstafel and St. Julien-Gravenstafel roads, also captured their objectives and beat off a counter-attack. In this area our line has been advanced to a depth of half a mile across country defended by a large number of fortified farms and concrete redoubts.

Early in the afternoon the Germans delivered a second counter-attack with large forces and succeeded in pressing back our line a short distance on a narrow front. Our troops counter-attacking in turn, at once recaptured the greater part of the lost ground. "Over one thousand prisoners have been taken in these operations. A very large number of German dead have been found on the ground captured and the enemy's losses, both in our attacks and in his subsequent counter-attacks, have again been heavy."

TRADE OPPORTUNITY.

A communication was received yesterday by the Board of Trade from a New York firm who were desirous of opening up a connection in this city in prohibited exports.

FRENCH LAVISH IN PRAISE OF CANADIANS

(By Roland Hill.)

War correspondent's headquarters, France, Sept. 26.—French correspondents with the British troops have been lavish in their praise of the Canadians and their fighting at Lens. One of the most influential of the French provincial papers is "Le Telegraphe" published at Boulogne, and the following, literal translation, without comment, of an article on August 26th, speaks for itself: "It says: 'The Canadians at the present time completely hold the limelight of the theatre of war. It is these picked troops that have been given the incomparable, the glorious and difficult task of retaking Lens—Lens, where each house is a fortress; Lens and its slag-heaps, bristling with machine guns and trenches which the enemy only manages to hold by continual reinforcement. This Canadian army although only raised during the war, is curious to study for several reasons. Recruited exclusively by voluntary methods, it is composed of various elements curiously representing the world crusade against the abhorred Germans. "One meets trappers, colonial hunters, men who have lived full lives of adventure, and peaceful merchants of Quebec or Montreal. There are battalions that speak only the true French of the eighteenth century."

PROVISIONS HIGHER THAN EVER IN U.S.

Sweeping Advances in Chicago Market Yesterday — Prospects of Footwear Being Reduced.

Good news and bad news came over the wire last night. The good news was that the price of footwear are likely to be reduced in view of the recent slump in hides and leather in the Chicago market.

Chicago was not satisfied, however, to let the news go at that but followed it up with this "encouraging" despatch: "Sweeping advances took place today in the provision market, smashing previous records. The biggest upturns were in pork and ribs (bacon). Government buying of such volume that stocks are being sharply reduced was said to have been a factor in causing the soaring values. Besides, scarcity of hogs of late been daily apparent at the stock yards here."

Pork was quoted in the Chicago market yesterday at \$46.10, lard at \$24.95 to \$25.00 a hundred, and ribs at \$26.65 to \$27.15. It is quite apparent that the food controllers will need to do some controlling. But the Liberal newspapers will continue to blame the high prices on Borden whether they are made in Chicago or Kalamazoo.

British Can Take Lens Whenever They Please Declares Gen. Haig

Berlin War Office Announces That British Have Penetrated German Positions to the Depth of About Two-Thirds of Mile at Several Points.

FIGHTING WHICH IS OF DESPERATE CHARACTER IS STILL CONTINUING

Germany Has Agreed to Evacuate Belgium on Certain Conditions—Must Have Right to Develop Her Economic Enterprises Freely in Lateral Country.

New York, Sept. 26.—A London cable to the Evening Sun says Horatio Bottomley, editor of "John Bull," attributes to Sir Douglas Haig the statement that "we can take Lens whenever we like."

Berlin, Sept. 26.—The British forces in their new offensive in Flanders have penetrated German positions to the depth of about two-thirds of a mile at several places, according to the German official communication, issued tonight. The fighting, which is of a desperate character, is continuing.

The communication follows: "The battle in Flanders between Langemarck and Hollebecq—a front of fifteen kilometres, still continues. The enemy has succeeded at places in penetrating as far as one kilometre deep into our fighting zone, where desperate fighting is proceeding."

QUEBEC MAN KILLS A U. S. OFFICIAL

Shoots Immigration Inspector and Policeman.

Newport, Vt., Sept. 26.—Angered because he had been ordered deported to Canada, Robert J. Friday, of Quebec, opened fire with a revolver upon Daniel J. McDermott, a federal immigration inspector, and J. P. Menogue, a local police officer, tonight. Menogue fell dead, with a bullet in his heart and McDermott was seriously injured.

London, Sept. 26.—Germany has agreed to evacuate Belgium on certain conditions, it is declared in a German official statement, according to a despatch from Bern today given out by the Wireless Press.

SOUKHOMLINOFF FOUND GUILTY

Petrograd, Sept. 26.—General Soukhomlinoff, former minister of war, was sentenced to hard labor for life after conviction on a charge of high treason in the court here today.

Madame Soukhomlinoff was acquitted. General Soukhomlinoff was convicted also on the charge of abuse of confidence and fraud.

ANGLICANS FAVOR FULL PROHIBITION

Ottawa, Sept. 26.—Dominion-wide prohibition was strongly endorsed by the council for social services of the Church of England in Canada at an annual meeting held in Laurier Hall this morning. A very large attendance of the members of the council from all provinces in the Dominion were present.

G. N. W. MUST ACCEPT THE JUDGMENT

Otherwise Minister of Labour Crothers Will Use Big Stick.

HAD TROUBLE WITH COMPANY BEFORE

Minister Expresses Indignation That Great Northwestern Rejected Award.

MEN HAD BEEN POORLY USED

Is Encouraging Employes to Get What They Are Entitled To.

Ottawa, Sept. 26.—Hon. T. W. Crothers has notified the general manager of the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company that he expects to be informed by telegram tomorrow that the company has accepted the award of the board of conciliation, thus ending the strike. The Minister of Labor does not state what action he proposes to take if the company still refuses, but he asserts that he will use the "big stick" if necessary.

"It is the duty of the company to accept the award whether they like it or not," he said tonight. "The act provides that the majority award is the award."

Expresses Indignation. He expressed indignation at the idea of the company refusing to accept the award and said he was insisting on this as in all other cases that the award should be carried out and adopted. "Of course," he remarked, "the company may say I am encouraging the strike. I am simply encouraging the men to get what they are entitled to get. The award is very moderate and the men do not get all they ask for."

French Fight Hard. The minister stated that the Canadian people on previous occasions and did not evince very much enthusiasm for the way in which the men had been used.

Arbitrators Fair. With regard to the board of conciliation which investigated the grievances of the telegraphers, Mr. Crothers described Judge Gunn, the chairman, as a man of good judgment, impartiality and fairness.

As to David Campbell of Winnipeg, the representative of the men, he said: "He has a great deal of experience in these matters, and I have always found him very reasonable and very willing to do the fair thing. He is not an extreme man. He desires peace and does what he can to promote it."

Possible Strike-breakers. Montreal, Sept. 26.—Charges that alien strike-breakers have been sent to Canada to take the places of the G. N. W. striking operators were being investigated today by the immigration department.

The company's officials have admitted that there had been no violation of the immigration act and that any men taken on had applied for positions in Montreal, after seeing an advertisement in a local paper.

SERIOUS DISORDER IN BUENOS AIRES

Street Cars Fired on by Strikers and Anti-German Manifestation Made.

Buenos Ayres, Sept. 26.—Serious disorders occurred in various parts of the capital today as the result of an anti-German manifestation and strike agitation. As an outcome of the firing upon street cars by strikers or sympathizers an inspector was killed and several persons were wounded.

THE EARLE OF MT. EDGCUMBE DEAD

Was Keeper of Privy Seal to Prince of Wales—A. D. C. to Queen Victoria.

London, Sept. 26.—William Henry Edgcumbe, fourth Earl of Mt. Edgcumbe, Lord Lieutenant and Vice-Admiral of Cornwall, is dead.

The Earl of Mt. Edgcumbe had been keeper of the Privy Seal to the Prince of Wales since 1907 and had been A. D. C. to Queen Victoria. He was eighty-five years of age.

WOMAN ENDS HER LIFE BY FIRE

Bank Man's Demented Wifepours Gasoline Over Herself.

Montreal, Sept. 26.—Mrs. Garneau, wife of M. J. Garneau, purchasing agent of the Bank of Hochelaga, today at her home, 408 Burnside Place, poured gasoline over herself and set her clothing afire, death resulting from her burns. She was demented, and had been in an insane asylum for some time.



YE CANNOT SERVE TWO MASTERS.