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German Retreat North Of Arras Into Belgian Territory Is Forecasted

Correspondent Reports Suggestive Activity Of Enemy In That Section

British, Before Cambrai, See Fires Burning Back of That Town—French Easily Occupy Place Close to La Fere—Ten More Villages in Laon Road Occupied

London, March 21.—The possibility of a German withdrawal in the region north of Arras, extending into Belgian territory, is forecasted in a Central News despatch from Amsterdam.

The despatch quotes a correspondent in Northern France as reporting that the Germans are developing great activity from a point north of La Bassée Canal to a point east of the Franco-Belgian frontier.

St. Quentin, reputed headquarters of the German emperor and his general staff for the two years following the battle of the Marne, and scene of a great French defeat in the war of 1870, is today within sight of the French infantry, who are following fast on the heels of the retreating German army.

Even more significant is the fact that the British, advancing on the north against Cambrai, another vital point on the Hindenburg line, have seen incendiary fires blazing in the rear of that town.

STORM CHECKS ADVANCE The only fact to offset these evidences that the Germans are still retreating is that the advance of both British and French materially slackened yesterday.

FRENCH GET TEN MORE VILLAGES Paris, March 21.—Rapid progress is being made by the French in pursuit of the retreating German, the war office announced.

GOOD CHANCE FOR MECHANICS IN THE ROYAL FLYING CORPS An opportunity is offered to mechanics of all kinds to go to work with the Royal Flying Corps, as a new "wing" of the national service in the dominion.

THE GERMAN "EXPLANATION" Berlin, March 18 (via wireless to the Associated Press from a correspondent via Tuckerton, March 20).

TO BE SENTENCED FOR SPY WORK TOMORROW New York, March 21.—Albert O. Sander and Charles N. Wunnenberg, indicted as members of the Central Powers War Film Exchange on charges of engaging in a military enterprise and sending spies to England to get information for the German military authorities, today pleaded guilty. They will be sentenced tomorrow.

AGAIN INSPECTING THE HOUSE PLUMBING Four inspectors from the water and sewerage department have just returned from the inspection of plumbing equipment in all dwellings in the Brussels and Erin streets district.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fowler, of 81 Winter street, were tendered a surprise last evening when friends called at their home in honor of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

SLIGHTLY HURT IN AN ACCIDENT ON THE C. P. R. Peterboro, Ont., March 21.—Charles McKinnon and A. Bastin, both of Montreal, were slightly injured when six coaches of the C. P. R. express from Montreal left the track at Norwood, about six o'clock this morning, due to a broken rail.

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LABOR MINISTER IN WEST Winnipeg, Man., March 21.—Hon. J. W. Coulsons, passed through here last night en route to Calgary on business connected with the miners' agreement.

TWO REACTIONARY LEADERS IN RUSSIA



Prince Goltz (with beard); Gen. Sokolovskii, former minister of war.

Czar And Czarina Both Under Arrest

London, March 21.—The Russian government has ordered that the deposed emperor and his consort shall be regarded as having been deprived of their liberty and that they shall be brought to the Transcaucasus.

Russian Troops Are Jubilant Over Change; Grand Duke Still Leads

London, March 21.—The Russian troops at field headquarters welcomed the revolution with a remarkable demonstration, according to a Petrograd despatch.

GERMANS SEEK POLISH RECRUITS Amsterdam, March 21.—Germany has started a new and elaborate recruiting campaign in Poland, according to a Koenigsberg despatch.

EXPECT TO START WORK IN LOCAL SHIPYARDS IN VERY FEW WEEKS Three sites are now under consideration for the new \$1,000,000 shipbuilding plant.

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

MONTEVIDEO SOLDIER WOUNDED Moncton, N. B., March 21.—Pte. Harry Carter, who enlisted with a New Brunswick battalion, has been wounded in action and is now convalescing in a British hospital.

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WILSON CALLS CONGRESS IN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION FOR APRIL 2 TO DEAL WITH MATTER OF WAR WITH HUNS

Washington, March 21.—President Wilson, recognizing that Germany practically is making war on the United States on the seas today, called congress to assemble in extraordinary session on April 2 to deal with the situation.

The purpose of the session—now called two weeks earlier than the date first set—as announced in the president's proclamation, is to receive a communication from the chief executive "on grave questions of national policy."

Congress then is expected to pass a resolution declaring that a state of war has existed between the United States and Germany for some time.

DECLARATIONS BY BIG MEN New York, March 21.—With a warning that the United States is unprepared for war with any first class power, a committee of the Union League Club, headed by Robert Bacon, former ambassador to France, and including in its membership many men of prominence, presented at a special meeting last night a report calling upon the country to get ready for action.

CONSIDER PRICE FOR NORTH SHORE FISHING LEASES TOO STEEP Crown Land Department Sells Four But There Are No Bids For Six—Fredericton Matters

Fredericton, N. B., March 21.—A sale of fishing leases on the north shore of the St. John river advertised to take place at the Crown Land office today was not a success.

RUSSIANS OVER BORDER INTO LAND OF TURKS Petrograd, March 21, via London.—Russian troops driving southwestward from Sakki, Persia, have crossed the Mesopotamian frontier into Turkish territory.

VOTE IN ST. JOHN PRESBYTERY ON THE CHURCH UNION MATTER The following resolution was moved by Rev. John Hardwick of St. Matthew's church and seconded by Charles Everett of St. Andrew's, N.B., at a meeting of the St. John presbytery here yesterday.

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