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Korniloff Troops Nearly All Back In Position Again 'Savage' Division Returning to Battle Line; Quiet About Petrograd and Situation Well in Hand

Petrograd, Sept. 17.—The troops which retreated with General Korniloff have nearly all returned to their former positions. The 'Savage' division, now under General Polovtsov, formerly commander of the Petrograd district, is on its way back to the front. It is expected that the situation as regards General Kaledin will be cleared up today. Newspapers report that the general has telegraphed the government that he does not intend to revolt, but the government is said to have evidence to the contrary. Kaledin went to Novo Tcherkassk from Rostov with a guard of Cossacks and Junkers, while his adherents guarded the road over which he traveled. In a reply to an order from Premier Kerensky that he should not do so, as the general was to speak at the Cossack congress at Novo Tcherkassk today. Hearing that Premier Kerensky had forbidden the Cossack congress and had

VICTORY AT HAND, SAYS CADORNA

Must Be No Weakness Behind Lines at This Critical Time—The Bread Shortage

Rome, Sept. 17.—The Popolo Romano explains that Italy is in a state of the war countries that should be affected by the food shortage, and says the principal excuse for the present unrest being the bread shortage the government proposes to issue bread cards on October 11, limiting the individual consumption to a half pound daily, since the wheat harvest was short ten million quintals. Evidence of a new attitude of the ministry toward internal disturbances is shown in General Cadorna's message to a political group at Milan. The message follows: 'Any weakness behind the lines at this moment will be considered treason. We are all armed with the will to conquer and victory is at hand. All classes and all parties must remember that Italy knows only one way.'



OVER THE TOP. —J. Y. Wood

RECENT FIGHT HARDEST THE CANADIANS HAD

General Currie Says Enemy Counter-Attacked Thirty-five Times; Hint to Tory Trouble Makers

Ottawa, Sept. 17.—Lieut.-General Sir Arthur Currie, commanding the Canadian Corps, writes to Captain J. H. Burnham, M. P., in reply to a letter of congratulation on his promotion. General Currie says: 'I know you will rejoice with me over the recent success of our corps. The fighting for Hill 70 was the hardest and most successful in which we have ever been engaged. Besides gaining ground of great tactical value, we inflicted losses on the enemy which I am confident were at least three times those suffered by ourselves. I have never known the Boche to fight so hard or so determinedly before. He counter-attacked us no fewer than thirty-five times, throwing against us the very best troops in the German army, but with no avail. "I am glad to note that you are excited about our influence to keep the corps at full strength. From here I cannot make head or tail of the political situation in Canada. It seems to me that our country is about to be divided as never before. Such a thing is very deplorable, and those who are encouraging the breach are doing us a great wrong. Surely wiser counsels will prevail, and such action taken as will ensure that our country plays its part until the end.'

HOISTING SPAN OF STAMBRIDGE BRIDGE BEGUN

Preliminary Work, Aided by Ideal Weather, All Successful and First Move Upwards Made—Thousands of Spectators

Quebec, Sept. 17.—The second attempt to complete the great cantilever bridge near Quebec was begun this morning when the centre span was towed from Silvery Cove, where it had been constructed on pontoons, to a position immediately underneath the spot in the main structure it was intended to occupy. After postponing the hoisting of the span on Saturday afternoon because of the high wind, the bridge engineers were rewarded with weather conditions that were ideal for their purpose when operations began this morning. A ripple of applause from the onlookers on the river bank, the first to see daylight between the decks of the spans and the floor of the span served as an announcement that the critical time of waiting was over and as the barges floated down stream without their burden the loudest of cheers were roared from the thousands on shore. The lifting. The engineers in charge then gave the workers a short rest to enable them to prepare for the task of lifting the span to the bridge floor. Lifting was begun about 8:45 and the jacks were noticed to be working smoothly. At 9:45 o'clock the span had not floated off the pontoons and a rumor was circulated on the spot that trouble had been met with. This proved to be unfounded, for a short while after it was reported by the engineers that all the chains had been made fast, and that all was well. Then began a long wait till the tide receded, leaving the span suspended in the chains and ready for its upward journey. At 12:30 the span had been raised eight feet. To the reverend who asked a statement as to the prospects of the span being safely hoisted up, one of the engineers said: 'The easiest work is behind us. The task will grow increasingly difficult from now on till the finish.' (Continued on page 2, seventh column.)

English and Scotch In Successful Raids

Many Germans Killed in Dugouts—Enemy Destroyer and Trawlers Hit and Aircraft Shot Down—Attack on Belgian Coast

London, Sept. 17.—Troops of English and Scotch regiments made successful raids last night on the German trenches in the Arras and Somme regions of the battlefield in France. Many Germans were killed in their dugouts and prisoners were taken. Fall in Attack on French. Paris, Sept. 17.—German forces last night attacked the French positions in Arras and the Argennes. The official statement issued today by the French war office says the attack failed after a lively battle. There was a violent artillery duel west of Craonne and Messines. GERMANS HAD HIT FROM AIR. London, Sept. 17.—British naval vessels on Saturday made a bombing raid on enemy shipping between Blankenberge and Ostend, near Zebrugghe. Bombs were dropped on destroyers and trawlers or drifters. One large destroyer was hit amidships and one probably two, of a group of four trawlers were sunk. In the evening, during a late patrol, one of the seaplanes was attacked by two German seaplanes which were engaged by British escorting airplanes. One of the enemy was shot down in flames, and the other chased towards some enemy destroyers. About 10 a.m. yesterday the British patrol engaged a formation of enemy seaplanes, destroyed one and probably two. German Aviator Killed. Copenhagen, Sept. 17.—A German military aviator, Ernst Nissen, is reported to have perished in an attempt to go from Hamburg to the German town of Warnemunde on the Baltic. Part of his wrecked machine was found on the eastern shore of the Danish Islands of Langeland.

MILK BOYCOTT IF NECESSARY

Housewives' League to Fight The 12-Cent Demand

PROPOSED LINE OF ACTION City Commissioners and Farmers in Conference Over Matter of City Securing Supply For Depots—Women and Farmers Confer This Afternoon

Milk prices and milk supply are occupying the centre of the stage at city hall today. A long conference between the city commissioners and representatives of the Kings county milk producers was held this morning and this afternoon the committee of the Housewives' League were to have met the milkmen this morning but, as there was some misunderstanding regarding the arrangements, the conference was postponed until the afternoon in the mayor's office. Mayor Hayes, Commissioners Russell, Fisher and McLellan met a delegation of a score of milk producers, headed by W. H. Huggard, secretary of their association at half-past eleven o'clock this morning. The meeting, which was held in a private behind closed doors, took place in the mayor's office. In a statement made by the mayor at the close of the meeting, His Worship said that the matter under discussion was the possibility of the city securing an adequate supply of milk if it was decided to establish public milk depots. He said that the producers did not place any obstacles in the way of the suggestion, but that they did not wish to commit themselves to any decision until the matter could be placed before a meeting of their association. No definite determination was made on either side and the matter now rests until the association may pass on it. To Fight Increase. The Housewives' League was to be represented at the meeting this afternoon by Mrs. J. W. V. Lawlor, the president, Mrs. W. E. Raymond and Mrs. R. H. Hooper. The ladies reiterate their determination to resist the twelve-cent price for milk and have mapped out a programme for their campaign. In the first place, they say that the action of the association in increasing the price is a direct violation of the order-in-council which deals with such matters, and that if the ten-cent price is not restored, they will ask the municipality to carry out the law by placing the matter in the hands of the attorney-general. If results cannot be secured in any other way, they are ready to commence a boycott against milk, and they say that they have 1,000 housekeepers who will co-operate in this method of combatting the increased price. In order to make the city more independent of the Kings county producers, they will ask for a by-law prohibiting the use of milk for the manufacture of ice-cream or in soda fountain drinks, will ask the city to import a carload of condensed cream to use for the use of infants, and will endeavor to stimulate the production of milk in St. John county. They also suggest that the by-law which requires licenses for all milk dealers be rescinded or amended so as to permit a person keeping a cow for their own use and selling a few quarts to their neighbors to do so without prohibitive restrictions.

ELECTIONS IN NOVEMBER SAYS McNABB

Winipeg, Sept. 17.—November will see a dominion election, in the opinion of Hon. A. P. MacNab, minister of public works for Saskatchewan, who returned to Regina last night after a brief visit to the city on government business.

DIED GALLANTLY FIGHTING THE HUNS

Mrs. Edith Anderson Receives News of How Brave Brother Made Sacrifice

Mrs. Edith Anderson of this city is in receipt of a letter from her sister, Mrs. Arthur Englefeld, now in England with her husband, who is a member of the 104th Battalion band. She writes that her brother, Private Charles E. Gilbert, a member of the Second North Hampshire Regiment, who was killed in the major's office, to which he belonged. Mrs. Anderson has four other brothers at the front and twenty other relatives.

MRS. BESANT IS RELEASED FROM INTERMENT ORDER

Bombay, India, Sept. 17.—According to a private telegram, Mrs. Annie Besant, a member of the Theosophical Society, and George Uddatte and G. W. Wade, two Indian associates, have been released from internment by the Madras government. They had been held for political agitation. It was recently announced that the Indian government was prepared to recommend to the Madras government that the restrictions placed on these people be removed if they would refrain from unconstitutional and violent methods and political agitation for the remainder of the war. The restrictions placed by the Indian government on Mrs. Besant and her associates were a sequel to a violent home rule agitation which evoked a storm of adverse comment in the press of India. The head of the Theosophical Society was expelled from the Presidency of Bombay last year for preaching revolt and later she was forbidden by the Indian government to participate in any meetings, deliver lectures or publish her writings in India. VISIT FROM THEIF. An attempt was made early on Saturday morning to break into the clothing store of Harry N. De Union street. The burglar was attempting to gain an entrance through the elevator shaft. Noise he made in tearing up planks, however, aroused the night watchman who gave chase, but was unable to catch the intruder. THE SARDINE PLANT. Owing to the fact that the morning was devoted to a conference with the milkmen, no committee meeting of the common council was held this morning. Fred Belyea's proposals for the establishment of a sardine packing plant in West St. John will be taken up at the meeting of the council tomorrow. DEATH OF CHILD. The sympathy of friends was going out to Mr. and Mrs. A. Brejley of 118 Daig street in the death of their little daughter Helen, aged three months and a half, one of twins.

WAR LEVY ON ODDFELLOWS

Grand Sire Goudy Proposes \$1 a Year While Conflict Goes on

Louisville, Ky., Sept. 17.—Nearly 10,000 Oddfellows from all parts of the United States and Canada were in Louisville for the opening of the session of the sovereign grand lodge of their order. The session began with a public meeting at which a resolution was adopted to the state and city by Governor Stanley and Mayor Buschmeyer. Among the matters to come before the session are several proposals for legislation of the war which Grand Sire Frank C. Goudy, of Dever, has announced he will put forward. Chief of these is a proposal to ask the sovereign grand lodge to authorize the grand lodges in each state jurisdiction, and in the provinces of Canada to levy a special yearly assessment of \$1, to be continued so long as the war may last, the proceeds to be expended through the agency of the Red Cross for the relief of Oddfellows in military service. If this proposal is approved it will provide a yearly fund of about \$2,250,000. Grand Sire Goudy will also ask that the grand lodges and subordinate lodges be authorized to continue in good standing at the expense of the subordinate lodge to which he belongs any Oddfellow who may be now or who may later enter the military service.

OLD TIME CYCLIST TOO MUCH FOR THEM

Newark, N. J., Sept. 17.—Frank Kremer defeated Arthur Spencer, a Canadian cyclist, and Bob Spears, in two straight heats of a one mile three cornered match race here on Sunday afternoon. In the first heat Spencer went to the last lap but was lost by the bridge and it appeared as if he would win, but he weakened and Kremer rode past him while Spears would head away, leaving the bridge in front with Spears second and Spencer third. Phelps and Ferdinand WEATHER REPORT. Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service. Synopsis.—Since Saturday the disturbance near the coast of the south Atlantic states has almost disappeared, while the area of high pressure has drawn westward and southward from Quebec to the Great Lakes. The weather has been fine and warm throughout the Dominion. Forecasts.—Lakes and Georgian Bay, Upper Lawrence and Ottawa Valley.—High winds, fine and warm today and on Tuesday. Lower Lawrence, Gulf and North Shore.—Moderate west and south winds, fine and warm today and on Tuesday. Fine; Moderately Warm. Maritime.—Moderate winds, fine and moderately warm today and on Tuesday. Western Provinces.—Fine and warm. New England.—Cloudy tonight, probably rain in some parts. Tuesday, fair, moderate to fresh northeast wind, northwesterly breeze, fresh to strong overcast portion.

THE EVACUATION OF OSTEND BY CIVILIANS IS REPORTED; TROOPS MEAN TO RETIRE

(J. M. Robinson & Sons, Private Wire Telegrams.) New York, Sept. 17.—Ostend, German aerial base on Belgian coast being evacuated by civilians. 'Flits' taken to forest cast retirement. Congressional plans contemplate adjournment early in October. Revision of iron chemicals and many other commodities included in new embargo ruling by experts' administration board. American express company may net after taxes decrease, \$87,200; five months' decrease, \$68,800. Two thousand, four hundred men engaged on government shipbuilding at San Francisco strike today for an increase in wages. Revision of wage scale in navy yards provides for average increase in maximum rates of about ten per cent, and much greater advance in scale for lowest grade of skilled labor. WILL HAVE FOOTBALL TEAM. It was announced in the High School hall this morning by Principal W. J. S. Miles that football would be continued this year as before. An attempt also will be made to get together an orchestra for the school this year. This, together with the large cadet corps being formed, will make the year one of the best since the war started. The Shamrock grounds have been secured for the purpose of the football team and will do satisfactorily when the addition of a dressing-room has been made. Football work will be started tomorrow. C. P. R. OFFICIALS. W. H. Spoell, general passenger agent of the C. P. R., who with A. B. Calder, assistant general passenger agent, and N. R. Debrisy, district passenger agent, has been making an inspection trip through the maritime provinces, is in Digby today. Mr. Calder passed through the city on Saturday evening on his way to Montreal and Mr. Debrisy also returned to St. John on Saturday.

POLICE COURT

Some Drinking Cases—Girl Denies Taking \$150 Ring

Four prisoners were brought before Police Magistrate Ritchie this morning, three charged with drunkenness and one with lying and larking. All admitted to having drunk and were sent below until the source of supply could be located. Rev. W. R. Robinson was in court as president of the Prohibition Law Enforcement League, with the idea of enforcing all breakers of the prohibition law. The case of a sixteen-year-old girl, charged with stealing a platinum pendant from Mrs. E. H. Nere, of the West Side, came up this morning. Mrs. Nere gave testimony to the effect that she had gone out Wednesday evening and left her maid, the girl in question, in the house. She returned to find the vestibule door open and the lights burning down stairs. From what another woman in her household told her she learned that the girl had had company in and had invited about 8:45 and the jacks were noticed to be working smoothly. At 9:45 o'clock the span had not floated off the pontoons and a rumor was circulated on the spot that trouble had been met with. This proved to be unfounded, for a short while after it was reported by the engineers that all the chains had been made fast, and that all was well. Then began a long wait till the tide receded, leaving the span suspended in the chains and ready for its upward journey. At 12:30 the span had been raised eight feet. To the reverend who asked a statement as to the prospects of the span being safely hoisted up, one of the engineers said: 'The easiest work is behind us. The task will grow increasingly difficult from now on till the finish.' (Continued on page 2, seventh column.)

TRADES AND LABOR CONGRESS OPENS

Ottawa President Speaks of Growing Strength of Labor in Councils of Country

Ottawa, Sept. 17.—The thirty-third annual convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of the Dominion of Canada opened here this morning. About 800 prominent union delegates from all parts of Canada assembled, and, following a street parade, gathered in St. Patrick's Hall for the formal opening session. At ten o'clock J. Cameron, president of the Ottawa Trades and Labor Council, who occupied the chair, opened the convention and welcomed the delegates. Mr. Cameron referred to the importance of labor and the prominent part that it had played and would play in the affairs of the country and empire. He spoke of the strong representation that labor had in the legislature and voiced his opinion that the long labor representation would predominate. He referred to a great change from automatic rule to that of democratic rule that had just been effected in two of the world's greatest nations, and emphasized the fact that the good fight which was being waged on all sides, and in every country for the benefit and improvement of the working classes, which were well represented at the conference, would have to be continued more determinedly than ever. On behalf of the city of Ottawa, Mayor Fisher welcomed the delegates.

THE WEATHER AND THE WESTERN CROPS

Edmonton, Sept. 17.—Harvest operations during the last week have been slower or less delayed on account of wet weather. Heavy rains fell quite generally throughout the province, and greatly retarded the progress of the work. Everything is practically in stock today, excepting green feed, according to the department of agriculture. The crop and harvest summary, issued Saturday afternoon. Light frosts, followed by rain, in many cases damaged potatoes and vegetables. No damage has been done by the frost. Returns so far have been on the whole very encouraging, all grains are grading high and yield fairly good. Should the weather prove favorable, threshing operations will prevail generally over the whole province next week.

HALIFAX AND P. E. I. TROOPS SAFELY ACROSS

Ottawa, Sept. 17.—The following troops have arrived safely in England: No. 10 Siege battery draft, Halifax; No. 12 and No. 10 reinforcing drafts railway, troops from Prince Edward Island and Regina respectively. Also included were forestry drafts from Winnipeg, Vancouver, Sussex, Aldershot, N. S., and Ottawa. Forestry and railway construction draft, (captain Borden, C. A. S. C. drafts from Winnipeg and Camp Borden. Railway construction draft, Ottawa. P. A. M. C. draft, Montreal. R. M. C. cadets for imperial commission. British recruits from Aldershot, N. S., details. LIEUT. COL. P. A. GUTHRIE OF MILITIES IN CITY TODAY. Lieutenant-Colonel P. A. Guthrie, O. C. of the 236th Battalion, accompanied by Captain Godenrath of the unit, arrived in the city this morning on the Montreal train from Fredericton, where they have been straightening away some business in connection with the unit. Captain Godenrath is a new officer with the battalion. He is a returned officer, having been in France twenty-two months as a member of the Canadian Scottish. Colonel Guthrie reports that his unit, which is local in Valcarlos, is very efficient in drill. It has finished preliminary training and at present is doing brigade drill. The total strength of the unit is 1212, including officers.

HUNGARY'S MONEY MINISTER GIVES UP

Budapest, Sept. 17, via Amsterdam.—Graf, minister of finance in the Hungarian cabinet formed by Premier Wekerle last month, has retired from the ministry. Dr. Wekerle has temporarily taken over the portfolio of finance.

NO SUBMARINE OFF NEW ENGLAND COAST

Washington, Sept. 17.—The navy department, after a complete investigation this morning on the New England coast, has found no evidence of a hostile submarine off the New England coast.

DRIVER NASH WRITES HOME

Driver T. Nash under date of August 23 from France to his wife, who lives at 8 Brindley street, saying that he is well. He has been away three years. He was in London on leave on July 7 and witnessed the air-raid of that date, helping to quiet some of the screaming people in the streets. As he wrote an enemy airplane was overhead and he and his companions rushed to the cellar. Half a dozen bombs were dropped near them but did no damage.

SOCIALIST PARADE IN STOCKHOLM WAS NOT A GREAT SUCCESS

Stockholm, Sept. 17.—A Socialist parade here today was not particularly imposing, heavy showers preventing a large turnout. One banner had the motto, 'Down With Secret Diplomacy.' Others indicated that the parade might be interpreted as a peace demonstration as well as an election procession.

DUTCH MINISTER NOW IS UNDER FIRE

Amsterdam, Sept. 17.—Announcement of a change in ministers from the Netherlands to Washington is made the occasion, by the Telegram, for a severe attack on Chevalier Van Rappard, who is described as not having been equal to his duties and as having failed to promote Dutch interests.

DUTCH AND GERMANS ARE BACK TO WINTER TIME

Amsterdam, Sept. 17.—All clocks in Holland and Germany were put back an hour at 8 o'clock this morning. The daylight saving schedule began on April 14.