# FIELD MARSHAL HAIG'S STATEMENT ON GREAT DRIVE

### TEUTONS PENETRATE DIFFICULTIES THE BRITISH FRONT AT SEVERAL POINTS

Attacks Delivered in Large Masses Extremely costly to Hostile Troops Engaged Whose Losses Have Been Exceptionally Heavy — Severe Fighting Continues Along the Entire British Front—Large Numbers of Enemy Reinforcing Troops Appear Behind Enemy's Lines—Austrians Aid Germans.

Men — Government Investigating

Ottawa, Mar. 21.—A statement with regard to the transportation of Canadian soldiers and civilians from Engand to Canada was made today by a high official of the milita department who has had experence in this directions. There was nothing more than was expected and was in accordance with instructions. There was nothing in the nature of a surprise about the attack."

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prising an intense bombardment by the artillery and a powerful infantry attack on a front of over fifty miles. Some of the British ns were penetrated but the German losses are declared to have been exceptionally heavy.

On no part of the long front of the attack did the Germans attain their objective. The text of the statement reads:

"At about eight o'clock this morning, after an intense bardment of both high explosive and gas shells on our forward positions and back areas, a powerful infantry attack was launched by the enemy on a front of over fifty miles, extending from the Riv-er Oise, in the neighborhood of LaFere to the Sensee river, about Croisilles.

At the same time other German

Great Artillery Fire.

"A hostile artillery demonstration has taken place on a wide front north of La Bassee Canala and in the Ypres sector.
"The attack, which for some time past was known to be in course of preparation, has been pressed with great vigor and determination throughout the day. On the course of the fighting the enemy broke through our outpost positions and succeeded in penetrating into our battle positions in certain parts of the front.

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that had happened.

No Need for Alarm.

"I am sure that with the knowledge before hand of what has happened in similar attacks on either side," continued Mr. Bonar Law, "the House and country will not be unnecessarily alarmed by information of that kind. Our staff and the Versallies council naturally have been considering what might happen in the event of an attack. And I may tell the House that this attack has been launched on every part of our line we were informed would be attacked, if an attack were undertaken at all.

"I may say that only three days ago

cause for anxiety."

Penetrate Front Line.
London, Mar. 21.—By employing masses of troops supported by a great weight of artillery, the Germans appear to have penetrated the British front line at certain points between the Scarpe and Vendeull, says a Reuter's correspondent at British headquarters, telegraphing this evening. "Our countermeasures have not yet developed," the correspondent adds. "Therefore it is difficult to define the position. Apparently the enemy's purpose has been to launch converging attacks upon the two flanks of the Flesquieres salient, in the hope of cutting it off.

"There are unconfirmed rumors

"The attacks were delivered in large masses and have been extremely costly to the hostile troops engaged, whose loses have been exceptionally heavy.

"Severe fighting continues along the whole front. Large numbers of hostile reinforcing troops have been observed during the day moving forward behind a smoke barage along the ridge running north-was from Gouezaucourt. It may be said that the attack in this region was been formed that they had made great preparations to meet the onslaught, "Several enemy divisions which had been especially trained for this great attack have already been identified, including units of the Guards.

"Captured maps deplicing the emmy's intentions show that on no part of the long front of the attack has he attained his objective."

The Attack Launched.

British Army Headquarters in France, Mar. 21—(By the Associated Press)—The Germans this forenoon launched a heavy attack against the British lines over a wide front in and wear the Cambral sector and the amount. The proliminary bombardines of the Cambral sector and the assult bears all the earmarks of being the beginning of the enemy's much heralded grand offensive.

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English People Calm.

London, Mar. 21—Although a battle is being fought which is likely to develop into the greatest struggle of modern history, and perhaps settle the result of the war, the English people preserve the same quiet calm they have worn for the past four years. There are no signs of unusual excitement or nervousness in London, no crowds outside the newspaper offices or elsewhere.

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or elsewhere.

The statement made by Andrew Bonar Law in the House of Commons was circulated in the hotels and other public places. That is the last news the majority of the people will have of the great struggle before they see the morning papers, but Mr. Bonar Law's words have carried much assurance.

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Long Advertised.

The Germans had talked as freely about their great offensive that many people thought they were making a feint to conceal some other policy; some looked for a campaign against Saloniki instead of a big attack in France. Reports have been circulated that the Germans have built a large number of tanks and super-tanks, but the British, who first launched this weapon, are not likely to be stopped by these, nor is it conceivable that they will be behind in number of tanks or improvements. Special to The Standard,
Fredericton, Mar. 21.—The province of New Brunswick this evening bought a grandfather's clock for \$300, after Mr. F. L. Potts of St. John had conducted a spirited auction sale on the doors of the legislature. It was the first time in the history of the proceeded.

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Separated from Returning Men - Government Inves

pansion in the last few weeks. Furloughs have been given to the "Original Firsts"; a general policy of returning from England troops unfit for general service has been embarked upon somewhat suddenly; and it has been decided to repatriate a large number of Canadian women and children hitherto in England. Thus the volume of governmental passenger traffic westwards across the Atlantic has grown suddenly and heavily. This increase has come at a time when the Germans are waging a persistent qub-

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The situation is that the authorities
on the one hand have an unusually
heavy task to accomplish, and on the
other hand are determined to see
that these inevitable difficulties shall
not be allowed to cause hardships to
the men who have denfended Canada
and the Empire on the field of battle.
A very recent case illustrates the
situation.

Five vessels recently arrived in

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Five vessels recently arrived in Canada, carrying both military and civilian passengers.

Reports have reached militia head-quarters that the conditions under which such embarkation was effected were, in many respects, unsatisfactory. Inquiry will be made. It also is known, however, that the problem set the authorities in England by the embarkation was different. Some of the civilian passengers were the wives and children of soldars. embarkation was different. Some of the civilian passengers were the wives and children of soldiers. Thus cases occurred of the husband or father be-ing on one ship and his family on another.

As far as the militia department has been able to learn, the authorities in England responsible for these mat-ters did their very best in different

TO TAX **VICTORY** BONDS

(Continued from page 1)
Mr. Byrne was getting quite "het
up" over the criticism his bill provoked, particularly an opinion of Mr.
Baxter that the measure was a "colossal conglomeration of idiocy." The
oath which the bill provides must be
taken by every councillor was absofutely ridiculous, and the measure in
other particulars was so ridiculous as
to reach the sublime pinnacle of ridiculousness.

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The House adjourned at 10.40.
County Secretary J. King Kelley and Councillor John O'Brien are here tonight in the interest of municipal legislation.

ORISCOLL—On the 20th inst. Ed-ward son of Michael and the late Mary Driscoll, leaving his wife, two children, one brother and two sisters to mourn.



## PRAISE FOR THE CANADIAN OFFICERS AT ARGYLL HOUSE

Cablegram Received from Sir Edward Kemp Read in Parliament-House Discusses Necessity of Granting More Money to Rural Mail Contractors-Hon. Mr. Fielding Warmly Greeted -Complaints Regarding Separation Allowance System, Quartering of Soldiers on Transports and Magdalen Steamship Service.

try. Heads of branches have seen service at the front and they are continually pressing claims to be freed from onerous, difficult and exacting tasks with which they have to deal at headquarters in order that they may return to the front.

Sir Sam Hughes—"May I ask whether or not that includes officers and men employed in and around the headquarters in London."

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unsually strong testimony as to its great strength and endurance giving properties. Former Health Commis-sioner Wm. R. Kerr of Chicago says it

ought to be prescribed by every phy-sician and used in every hospital in

Commons this afternoon the prime minister read the following cablegram from Sir Edward Kemp in referenced to officers and men employed at the London (England) headquarters of the Canadian expeditionary force:

"Of seventy-six officers and two hundred and nine other ranks employed at Argyll House, fifty-five officers and one hundred and twenty-eight other ranks have seen service in the field, the great majority of whom were invalided owing to wounds. On becoming fit they will immediately be replaced by returned casualties. May I direct attention to the fact that the officers in charge of this responsible work at Argyll House are men of high reputation. They are Canadian clitenas whose name, for the most part, are household words in Canada. Generally they have abant doned occupations at great sacrifice to perform a service for their country. Heads of branches have seen service at the front and they are continually pressing claims to be freed from openess differs."

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Hon. C. J. Doherty, acting Post-master-General, disagreed with Mr. Burnham, as to the best remedy for a condition as he described. His remedy would be to cancel existing contracts, when they bore too heavily on the carriers and call-for new tenders. These tenders would be based on con-

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### United States Judge Atkinson, Former Governor, Gves Opinion of Nuxated Iron

Case Cited by Dr. James Francis Sullivan of General Gordon, Hero of the Battle of Gettysburg, Who at Nearly 85 Years of Age, Obtained Increased Strength and Endurance With a Short Course of This Remarkable

Helps put vim and renewed energy into the veins of the weak, "run-down," infirm and aged-Often increases their strength has never had recourse to a med cline whose results were so satisfactory; tha within the few weeks he had been taking it he feels he has dropped off the burden of months of toil. try alone. It has been highly endoused and prescribed by well known physicians like Dr. Schuyler C. Jaques Visiting Surgeon, St. Elizabeth's Hospital, New York City. It has been used by many prominent men like for mer United States Senators Wm. E. Mason and Charles A. Towne who beat unsually strong testimony as to it.

United States Judge G. W. Atkinson, former Governor of West Virginia, Member of Congress, and United States District Attorney. Read below his opinion of NUXATED IRON.

Another remarkable case is that of particular name (Nuxated Iron) ap-

this country.

There are thousands of people who are nervous, "indewn", weak and an as emic, who lack strength and vitality and who feel the need of something to build them up and put renewed energy into their veins, but they do not know what to take. It is, therefore revaluable to have a man life just and the feel to have a man life just and the least of Nuxated Iron, test it on himself and then one out trankly and, boldly and, tell the people about it. Judge Atkinson says:

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