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NAVAL EXPLIIT BY ITALIANS
RANKS WITH ZEEBRUGGE RAID

One of the Most Audacious
Feats of War, When Aus-
trian Battleship Was Tor-
pedoed in Pola Harbor.

Italian Naval Headquarters, May 22.—
The details of the recent Italian
naval exploit at Pola show that it was
one of the most audacious feats of the
war, worthy to rank with the British
raid at Zeebrugge. Plans were long ma-
de by Lieut. Commander Pellegrini, who
adopted unusual means of secrecy to
execute the project. To divert attention
he took service in the trenches on the
Pavee, and when ready to start gave out
that he was going to visit his friends. He
was accompanied by another officer and
two sailors.

AUSTRIANS GERRYMANDER BOHEMIA
TO DEPRIVE CZECHS OF RIGHTS

New Plan Puts German Minority in Control, Tending
to Dismember Country—To Provoke
Violent Opposition.

Washington, May 22.—Division of
Bohemia into twelve districts,
with advantages in the electoral domain
given to the German minority in
each so as to reduce the Czech representa-
tion in parliament, is provided
in a ministerial decree issued at Vienna.
This decree is undoubtedly a policy of
repression, the first act of which
tends to dismember Bohemia by granting
to the German elements the
guarantee which they claim. Up to now,
indeed, Bohemia comprised 13 districts,
two of which only had a majority of
German population, according to statistics
from Vienna. In four of these districts
there are hardly any Germans.

CHARGES CONSPIRACY
IN SOLDIERS' VOTE

Member for Westmoreland Makes
Specific Accusations in
the Commons.

A JUDICIAL ENQUIRY

Doherty Promises It in Con-
nection With Specific Charges
by Archambault.

The amendment was lost by 31 on
a straight party vote of 61 to 32.
Ottawa, May 22.—Denise charges
by Mr. C. Copp, Laurierite member for
Westmoreland, of grave irregularities
in connection with the taking of the
soldiers' vote at the last general elec-
tion, marked when it is anticipated will
be the semi-final session of parliament
next Monday. Despite the long and par-
tisan debate precipitated by Mr.
Copp's allegations, which he made up-
on his own responsibility as a member
and the fact that considerable business
still remains to be dealt with, the
members expect prorogation to take
place Thursday evening.

GERMANS FAIL IN ENDEAVOR
TO TAKE BRITISH POSITIONS

Attack Near Mesnil is Repulsed, While
British Carry Out a Successful Raid at
Hebuterne, Inflicting Heavy Casualties.

London, May 23.—The Germans made
another attempt today to raid the
British positions near Mesnil, but were
repulsed, according to Field Marshal
Haig's report tonight from British
headquarters in France. The British
carried out a raid on the German
positions around Hebuterne, with
heavy casualties to the Germans. The
report says:

"Early this morning the enemy made
a second attempt to raid our
positions southeast of Mesnil (north of
Albert), but was repulsed.
"Another successful raid, in addition
to those reported this morning, was
carried out by us last night in the
neighborhood of Hebuterne. Heavy
casualties were inflicted on the enemy
in these encounters, and we captured
a few prisoners.
"On the remainder of the front there
was nothing beyond artillery activity
on both sides in the different sectors."

DUBLIN'S LORD MAYOR
MAY ABANDON U. S. TRIP

Dublin, May 22.—The Mansion
House anti-conscription conference
resumed its sittings today, and after a
session of two hours adjourned until
tomorrow, when a further statement
will be issued.

ITALIANS RETRIEVED
TRIALS GLORIOUSLY

Lord Robert Cecil Eulogizes Ally
for Famous Resistance
on Plave.

NECESSITY FOR DEEDS

Duty of Allies is to Maintain
and Increase National
Effort.

London, May 22.—The lord mayor
of London gave a luncheon at Mansion
House today to commemorate the
third anniversary of Italy's entry into
the war. Among those present were
Lord Robert Cecil, minister of block-
ade; the Italian ambassador, Marquis
Imperiali; the French and Japanese
ambassadors, the Chinese, Serbian,
Brazilian and Belgian ministers, the
Russian charge d'affaires, and repre-
sentatives of the American embassy.

ENEMY-OWNED COTTON
SOLD AT NEW YORK

New York, May 22.—A large supply
of enemy-owned cotton, purchased
for German and Austrian account
prior to 1916, in anticipation of the
conclusion of peace before the end of
that year, was sold at the cotton ex-
change here today by order of A.
Mitchell Palmer, custodian of alien
property.

PLANS FOR MILITARY HOSPITAL
IN ROSDALE NEAR COMPLETION

The World learns on good authority
that the plans for the new military
hospital to be installed at St. An-
drew's College are well advanced, and
that they will be ready and forwarded
to Toronto from Ottawa within the
next two weeks. The government has
finally decided to take over the prop-
erty, and it is said that an agreement
has already been reached between the
minister of public works and the
owners of the property.

DOMINION POLICE
PREPARE BIG RAID

No Man Will Be Secure From
Arrest Without Docu-
mentary Evidence.

Plans are now being made by the
Dominion Police of Toronto to ensure
the observance of the regulations ef-
fective June 1, which call for all men
of military age carrying with them at
all times credentials to show how they
stand in regard to military service.
The Dominion Police announce that
they will start "raiding" operations
in Toronto on a large scale early in
the month of June with the object
of gathering in any men who fail
to obey the regulations about
carrying credentials.
Attention is again drawn to the
order which provides that a man found
without the necessary papers will have
to pay a fine of \$50, be held in custody
until the papers are furnished and is
the object of gathering in any men who
fail to obey the regulations about
carrying credentials.

DOUBLE CASUALTY
AT CAMP MOHAWK

Deseronto, May 22.—In a flying ac-
cident which occurred at Camp Mo-
hawk at 6.10 p.m., today Cadet A. D.
Hewson was killed and Second Lieut.
C. A. Robotham was injured. The
latter's injuries comprised a fractured
left tibia and slight lip wounds.
His condition is reported to be very
satisfactory. The next of kin of Sec-
ond Lieut. Robotham is his mother,
Mrs. C. M. Robotham, 3 St. Mary's
Gale, Derby, England. Cadet Hew-
son's next of kin is his mother, Mrs.
F. B. Hewson, 179 London street,
Windsor, Ont. Both were members of
the Royal Air Force.

TOO BADLY BEATEN
TO RESUME DRIVE

Shattered German Divi-
sions Need Much Time
to Recoup.

Washington, May 22.—The
long delay in renewal of the
German drive in Picardy and
Flanders is variously accounted
for by officials of the war de-
partment, among whom it has
come to be a subject of ani-
mated discussion.

DIRECT VIOLATION
OF CONSTITUTION

Secretary of Railway Carmen's
Brotherhood Strikes Note of
Discord in Winnipeg Strike.

STREET RAILWAY TIED UP

Approximately Ten Thousand
Men Are Out and Fifteen
Thousand More Expected.

Winnipeg, Man., May 22.—The first
clear note of dissension within the
ranks of the strikers in Winnipeg
is struck today with the publication
of a letter to The Free Press from Henry
Pickett, secretary-treasurer of the
joint executive board, Brotherhood of
Railway Carmen of America, in
which the official states that the
strike vote passed by the railway
carmen in Winnipeg recently is a di-
rect violation of the constitution of
the union and that local interna-
tional officials of the carmen will
oppose the calling out of the carmen
here. Mr. Pickett states that half
the carmen will not walk out now;
the call should be issued.

FIRE CHIEF REPORTS
HIS SIDE OF CASE

W. Smith, chief of the fire depart-
ment, presented his report on the
points at issue between himself and
former Motor Mechanic Kennedy be-
fore the board of control at yester-
day's session, and the report was
adopted. The correspondence cover-
ing the charges made against the fire
chief was filed.

TELEGRAPHERS VOTE
SOLID FOR STRIKE

Opinion in Toronto and the West
as Shown in Ballot is
Unanimous.

The G.N.W. and commercial telegraph-
ers held a meeting last night and
decided to go on strike. Yesterday
and the preceding day Toronto and
the surrounding area were in a
state of confusion. It is expected
that the strike will be general and
will affect the entire Dominion.

CHINESE PROTEST AGAINST
CONVENTION RATIFICATION

Peking, May 22.—The chambers of
commerce of Peking and Tientsin
have wired to various provinces
protesting against the ratification of
the Sino-Japanese convention, which
because of its secrecy observed, is be-
lieved to contain agreements detri-
mental to the integrity of China. The
draft which was signed is said to be
subject to revision and ratification
by the Chinese government.

YOUTH FOUND SEMI-CONSCIOUS
LYING IN PARK NEAR HIS HOME

Archie Healy, aged 13, of 19 Te-
cumseh street, was found yesterday
evening lying in a nearby park in a
semi-conscious condition. He was
picked up and taken to the Western
Hospital, where at a late hour last
night the authorities had failed to
diagnose the case. It is thought that
the youth has taken some kind of
drugs. His condition is reported as
being very serious. The boy's father
is overseas.

MASSSES OF ENEMY
READY TO STRIKE

German Thrust is Expected
With Only Brief Artil-
lery Action.

AIRMEN MOST ACTIVE
EVENTS RAPIDLY SHAPING
THEMSELVES FOR OFFENSIVE
BY EITHER SIDE.

Associated Press War Summary.
In the past years of the war a
period of extraordinary activity by
the aerial squadrons of the contending
armies in France has been consid-
ered as an indication that events were
rapidly shaping themselves for an
offensive by one side or the other.
At the present moment the most notable
feature of the war situation is the
remarkable work of airmen in various
sectors where a German attack is
looked for.

TORONTO

Toronto Typographical Union elects
officers for the year.

Metropolitan Masonic Lodge is in-
stituted in North Toronto.

Club licenses and licenses for second-
hand shops are increased.

Archie Healy is found in a semi-
conscious state lying in a park.

A lighted cigarette causes a small fire
at Grand Opera House during performance.

The telegraphers of the G.N.W. and
Commercial Union vote solidly for a
strike.

St. Andrew's College Cadet Corps are
reviewed by Lieut.-Col. W. A. McCrim-
mon.

The Ontario Government arranges for
supply of standard feed for hogs and
cattle.

Toronto sends a large delegation of
veterans to the provincial conventions
opening at Hamilton today.

The city council will hold a special
meeting today to clear its slate and
health estimates may be discussed again.

A party of twenty officers and nearly
a hundred men have arrived by Halifax
and are expected in Toronto some time
today.

Canadian wool growers are still waiting
on the manufacturers or the war trade
board to make some definite announce-
ment regarding the season's clip.

LONDON MAN BADLY BURNED.

London, May 22.—Henry Littleton,
a laborer employed in the munition
plant of the Empire Brass Works, was
so badly burned when a pot of molten
lead exploded that he is not expected
to recover.

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