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FOOD CONTROLLER HANNA SAYS MIDDLEMEN OBSTRUCT PRICE CUTTING
German Aircraft Are Driven Off in Two More Attacks on London

ULSTER KEEPS OUT OF HOME RULE SCHEME

Speeches of Leaders Give Reason Still to Expect Settlement.

CONVENTION AT CORK
Grand Committee Will Endeavor to Harmonize Conflicting Proposals.

Cork, Ireland, Sept. 25.—The Irish Convention reassembled here today, the members being the guests of the harbor board at luncheon, and visiting local factories and places of interest. As many of the southern and western delegates were never in Belfast before until the convention visited that city, so some of the northern delegates never had been in Cork. The northerners expressed themselves as delighted with the decision to hold some of the sittings of the convention here.

The no definite arrangement yet has been reached with the Ulstermen. It is said that the speeches of some of their leaders, couched in very eloquent and friendly language, have given good grounds for hope of a peaceable settlement. Some apprehension of opposition on the part of Sinn Feiners in Cork was felt, but John Neill and Arthur Griffiths, the Sinn Fein leaders, urged their followers in their city to follow the example of their compatriots in Dublin and leave the convention alone.

MILLION U. S. SOLDIERS SOON TO BE IN FRANCE
T. P. O'Connor Says U. S. Will Accept None But Decisive Peace.

New York, Sept. 25.—Prediction that the United States will soon have 1,000,000 troops in France, and that if necessary "America can and America will put in double, treble or quadruple that number," was made by T. P. O'Connor, the Irish leader, in an address in Brooklyn tonight.

BELGIANS' BATTERIES REPLY TO GERMANS'
Airplanes of King Albert Keep Up Efficient Work.

Paris, Sept. 25.—The Belgian communication tonight reads: "On the night of Sept. 24-25 our batteries shelled the enemy works in reply to bombardments in the neighborhood of Ramscapelle. The afternoon of Sept. 24 was marked by lively bomb fighting near Landmark 19 on the Yser. Today the Germans fired gas shells near Knoeke. Our artillery replied against the enemy communications."

TIE-UP AT CALGARY.

Calgary, Alta., Sept. 25.—Owing to the circuits having been put out of business in some unknown manner, the G. N. W. is unable to handle any business out of Calgary today. The six local operators are still on strike.



REPAIRING THE DAMAGE
British engineers at the battlefield are a busy lot these days. Here's a few of them repairing a partly destroyed lock bridge on the western front.

DRASTIC CUTTING OF PRICES
RUINOUS POLICY, SAYS HANNA

Food Controller, in Warm Reply to Critics, Declares Multiplicity of Middlemen Great Obstacle—Iron Hand to Fall on Producers or Middlemen Who Practice Extortion.

Ottawa, Sept. 25.—An excessive number of middlemen is the greatest obstacle to the reduction of prices, and under present conditions the adoption of a drastic policy of arbitrary price cutting would mean "temporary ruin to every city and town in the country," according to a statement tonight by Hon. W. J. Hanna, food controller. In an interview with the Canadian Press, Limited, the statement was made following the return of the food controller to Ottawa after a study of the situation extended over a period of several weeks. Mr. Hanna has made personal inquiries in all parts of the Dominion, and has just returned to Ottawa after a conference with Mr. Hoover at Washington. In the interview with the Canadian Press he discussed the "whole question of high prices and the factors responsible therefor with frankness. He stated that his policy was "to bring all the powers of the food controller against any producer or middleman whom we find in our present investigations to be making an undue charge for his services—an unfair spread."

BATTLE NEAR RIGA FAVORS RUSSIANS

Germans Twice Attack Near Rumeni Farm Without Success.

Petrograd, Sept. 25.—(British Admiralty per Wireless Press)—German attacks against the new Russian positions south of the Pskoff-Riga highroad were repulsed yesterday by the Russians, according to the official statement from the war office today. Except for a raid southeast of Kimpolung, there was little other activity on the Russian front to the Black Sea. The statement follows: "Northern front: In the Riga region south of the Pskoff highroad, near Rumeni farm, the enemy twice counter-attacked positions taken by us the day before. Both attacks were repulsed. "Western and southwestern fronts: There were fusillades and reconnaissances. "Romanian front: In the region southeast of Kimpolung our volunteers, after artillery preparation, daringly raided the enemy trenches, killing many and making fifteen prisoners. "Caucasus front: In the region of Bittis, near Ortoha, our reconnoitring detachments attacked the Turks and brought back prisoners. On the southern bank of Lake Van our ships destroyed two Turkish barges. "Aviation: On Saturday our airmen boarded the enemy's storehouses northeast of Kovel (Volhynia) and the small town of Lubashevo, dropping about 135 pounds of bombs."

FOURTH LORD EDGUMBE SUMMONED BY DEATH

Was Lord-Lieutenant and Vice-Admiral of Cornwall.

London, Sept. 25.—William Henry Edgumbe, fourth Earl of Mount Edgumbe, lord lieutenant and vice-admiral of Cornwall, died today at Plymouth. The Earl of Mount Edgumbe was born in 1832 and had been keeper of the privy seal to the Prince of Wales since 1907. He held various prominent offices in the household of the late Queen Victoria, and from 1887 to 1897 he was A.D.C. to the Queen. His heir is Viscount Valletort.

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Rome, Sept. 25.—The official statement from the war office today reads: "From the Stelvio to Monte Rombon there was profitable activity by our reconnoitring parties and moderate artillery activity. In the Monte Nero region the enemy exploded a powerful mine under our position, upon which he then concentrated violent artillery fire. Our prompt and effective barrage fire, hindering the advance of the enemy, prevented the enemy from gaining any advantage. The damage was very slight. "On the Bainsizza Plateau local enemy attacks were repulsed with hand grenades. On the Carso we captured some prisoners. "Yesterday four tons of high explosive bombs were dropped by our airmen, causing destruction and setting fire to railway establishments and stations at Podberga, in the Bainsizza Valley, and at Rifoberga, on the Carso. At night one of our airships surprised the enemy, dropping a ton of projectiles."

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SOCIALISTS GAIN IN STOCKHOLM ELECTION

Stockholm Sept. 25.—The result of the elections in the first parliamentary district of Stockholm shows that the Socialists of the left lost their two seats, which were captured by the Social Democrats. The number of votes given the right was decreased very appreciably, while the Socialist vote increased largely. There was increase also in the Liberal vote. Among those elected in this constituency were Bjelmar Branting, the Socialist leader, who headed the poll, and Admiral Lindman, the Swedish foreign minister, who ran third. The constituency will be represented in parliament by two members of the Right, one Liberal and five Socialists.

LONDON AGAIN RAIDED
ATTACKERS DRIVEN OFF

Raiders Fail to Reach City in First Attempt, and Are Speedily Driven Off in Second—Twenty Casualties in Outskirts.

London, Sept. 25.—Another hostile airplane raid on London took place tonight. There were two attacks apparently, for after a forty-minute quiet interval anti-aircraft guns resumed firing in the London district. In the first attack, after brisk firing by the defensive guns, lasting only ten minutes, the raiders were driven off without succeeding in reaching the City of London. The firing of the anti-aircraft guns in the second attack was of only brief duration. The raiders were finally driven off and the police gave out the "all clear" signal at 9.30. A report of the raid was issued by Field Marshal French as follows: "The Thames estuary was again the objective of a hostile air raid this evening. The Kent and Essex coast was crossed at various points and a few bombs were dropped, but no casualties are yet reported. "One raider penetrated as far as the southeastern outskirts of London, where two bombs fell, causing some twenty casualties. "Raiders Less Numerous. The weather conditions were equally favorable for the raiders, but judging from the information thus far available, tonight's raid was less serious than Monday's, and apparently the raiders were less numerous. The air battle tonight was insignificant compared with that of Monday night. "The anti-aircraft fire in the first instance lasted only about ten minutes. It then stopped entirely for about forty minutes, when it was resumed again in a more distant section, but only for a few minutes. Nothing further was heard after this."

BRITISH SCATTER ARMY OF ENEMY IN AFRICA

Nigerian Troops Cut Off Retreat of Germans on Mbemkuru River, Compelling Them to Disperse in Small Bands

London, Sept. 25.—The following summary on the campaign in German East Africa was issued today by the British war office: "The enemy remaining in the field at the beginning of September were in three principal groups. The first was in the Mbemkuru Valley region; the second was in the Lukeledi Valley and southwest of Lindi, and the third was based on Mahenge. "On Sept. 19 the British advanced in the direction of Kilwa was resumed and the enemy driven north of the principal passes over the Mbemkuru River. He evacuated Mhammba, retreating to Mpingo. Simultaneously we attacked a larger German group at Ndesa, compelling the enemy to evacuate that town. The enemy was retiring on the Mbemkuru, pursued by our main columns, when he found his retreat barred by our Nigerian infantry, south of Ndesa. After severe fighting, in which the enemy suffered heavy losses, he was dispersed into small parties. "In the western area we engaged the enemy at Mpendas and the Ligamba Hills, 33 miles southwest of Mahenge, while the Belgian forces are approaching Mahenge from the north."

ARGENTINA TO FIGHT GOOD GAIN FOR ALLIES

Washington Expects Entry of Greatest Producing Nation of South America Into War—Action Will Restore Prestige.

Washington, Sept. 25.—Besides further consolidating the Americas in the war for democracy, the entry of Argentina would mean the partial relieving of the American and Brazilian fleets in the South Atlantic, even if Argentina did not send an army to France. The action of the senate and chamber of deputies, in voting for a rupture of relations with Germany created little surprise among officials of the state department, and it is believed here that the break will be followed by war. President Irigoyen has been consistent in his determination not to permit his country to take any other than a neutral position, but it is considered improbable that he will veto the action of the legislative branch of his government. A political danger would face his administration in such a course, since the majority of the people appear to feel keenly the ridiculous position in which the country has been placed by the duplicity of the German minister. The discovery today that the strikes in Buenos Aires were instigated and supported by German agents only makes the situation worse. Entry into the war will enable Argentina to regain her prestige. Her economic aid would be important. Perhaps the largest producing country in South America, she could contribute plentifully to the food supplies of the fighting nations.

GERMANS FAIL TO HOLD GAINS EAST OF YPRES

Fierce Battle Rages for Possession of Important Ridge.

London, Sept. 25.—The Germans delivered a powerful attack against the British east of Ypres today. They succeeded in gaining a foothold in the British lines on narrow fronts. Hand-to-hand fighting ensued, and after another strong German attack, the British drove them from their newly won positions and re-established their line in its entirety, according to Field Marshal Haig's report tonight. "Under cover of thick mist the enemy launched a powerful counter-attack this morning against our positions on the ridge east of Ypres—between Tower Hamlets and Polygon Wood. On the greater part of this front, the enemy was repulsed at two points, one just north of the Ypres-Menin road, and the other immediately south of Polygon Wood. He succeeded in penetrating our lines for short distances on narrow fronts. "Fierce fighting continued during the morning and at midday the enemy launched another heavy counter-attack. Despite his efforts, the enemy was unable to make further progress, and, early in the afternoon, our counter-attacks drove his troops from the positions into which they had entered. Our line has been re-established on the whole front attacked. "The enemy raided one of our posts early in the morning and of Queen's Two of our men are missing. "There has been great artillery activity on both sides during the day east of Ypres."

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