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German Bombs The British Hospitals in France

Two Raids Back Of Our Lines; Hundreds Killed or Wounded

Two Nurses Dead and Another Dying; Some 20 Machines Take Part in Murderous Attack; Hail of Death Dealing Bullets Among Wounded and Their Attendants

With the British Army in France, May 23—(By the Associated Press)—German aviators again have bombed heavily British positions in the area behind the lines, and this time have killed and wounded some hundreds among the personnel in many hospitals in the group.

Recorded in the casualty list are the names of several sisters who, with other women nurses, stood bravely by their posts throughout a terrific deluge of explosives.

This latest horror was prepared on Sunday night, apparently by four squadrons of enemy planes, which appear to have comprised more than a score of machines. A great number of bombs were dropped, about thirty per cent. of them huge affairs which dug vast craters in the hospital grounds, and the rest high explosive shrapnel which sent their death-dealing bullets tearing in every direction through the crowded hospital tents and buildings.

Not a woman deserted her ward, but throughout the terrible bombing each one kept going her rounds and quieting the unfortunate men, who might easily have done themselves lasting harm by springing from their beds.

One sister was killed outright while she was administering to the soldiers' wants, and another was so seriously hurt that she died soon afterwards. Still another was dying today.

TWO VISITS

A three-seater airplane was brought down by gunfire while flying at a low altitude and the occupants were made prisoners. The enemy captain and the pilot sustained comparatively light shrapnel wounds while the observer was not hurt. When questioned why he had directed his men against hospitals, the capt. explained in a matter-of-fact way that he did not see the Red Cross sign. He said he was seeking military objectives and had no desire to molest hospital staffs.

With a shrug of his shoulders, the German captain added that if the British choose to build their hospitals near railways they would be bombed.

The captain spoke excellent English. Asked where he had learned it, he replied he had been in the diplomatic service before the war. Sunday night's raid was divided into two phases, the first of which began a little after 10 o'clock and lasted until 11. Not satisfied with this, the enemy returned at 11:30 o'clock and heavily bombed hospitals filled with wounded men.

In one building which was damaged most seriously all the patients were suffering from compound fractures which made necessary their limbs being strapped in the air.

WORK OR FIGHT

New American Order Applies To Every Man of Draft Age—Bell Players Included

Washington, May 23—Every man of draft age must work or fight after July 1, under a drastic amendment to the selective service regulations announced today by Provost Marshal General Crowder.

Not only idlers, but all draft registrants engaged in what are held to be unproductive occupations, are to be held before local boards, and given the choice of a new job or the army.

Provost Marshal General Crowder's new "work or fight" regulations will require professional baseball players either to engage in some useful occupation or to join the army.

BROTHER OF HON. FRANK COCHRANE IS KILLED

Auto Runs Away on Hill, Crashes Through Bridge Rail and Falls Into River

Millon, Vt., May 23—James Cochrane, a wealthy farmer of Clarendonville, Vt., was killed here yesterday when his automobile, becoming stalled on a steep hill, rolled down on a bridge and crashed through the rail into Lacaille River. He was a brother of Hon. Frank Cochrane, former Canadian minister of railways and canals and was sixty-two years old.

TRIAL OF TWO FRENCH OFFICERS IN PRIVATE

Paris, May 23—Captain Mathieu and Sergeant Pailhaud were placed on trial yesterday in charge of communicating to unqualified persons documents of importance to the national defense. The documents were five letters, written by General Barrois, French commander on the Macedonian front, to the French premier, the war minister and the French Nuncio, president of the army commission of the chamber of deputies; telegrams from Marshal Joffre to Jean Guillaumet, French minister to Greece. The court decided that the case will be heard in private.

SAVS 1,752 PUT TO DEATH

Executions in Finland Under White Guard and German Regime

London, May 23—Under the White Guard and German regime in Finland, 1,752 persons were executed up to May 1, according to a Finnish socialist who has escaped to Berlin. He said that prisoners taken by the German and Finnish governments were treated so badly that many were starved to death.

SHANNON OUT OF IT

Montreal, May 23—The Shamrock loan has been formally withdrawn from the National League Union.

HUN AIRMEN REACH PARIS

Successfully Through the Defences in Raid Last Night—Some Bombs Dropped

Paris, May 23—German aviators made another attack on Paris last night, and this time succeeded in reaching the city. The official statement follows:

Several bodies of enemy aircraft successively made for Paris. Our lookout posts opened a very violent curtain of fire. Our airplanes took the air.

A certain number of bombs were thrown on Paris and in the Paris district. The "all clear" signal was given at 2:30 o'clock.

On Tuesday night German aviators attempted to raid Paris, but were kept away from the city by the French defences. One of the raiders was brought down. Three persons were killed, and several wounded in the outskirts of the city.

TWENTY-TWO MORE 'EM

British Continue Reducing The Number of Enemy Air Machines

London, May 23—In aerial fighting on Tuesday British planes destroyed sixteen German airplanes and two observation balloons and drove down four other planes out of control. Bombing of military targets behind the German lines continued actively and the latest official statement on aerial operations says that 1,900 bombs were dropped during the day and more than twelve tons at night.

Simultaneously there was an increase in the number of small investors in the contributions of small investors, said yesterday that one of the most remarkable aspects of the financial situation since the Albert Hall meeting in last October and the intensive war savings campaign then initiated by all the war savings committees throughout the country has been the remarkable increase in the contributions of small investors.

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HELP FOR WIVES OF SOLDIERS RETURNING FROM THE OLD LAND

Some Come Home Practically Destitute—Patriotic Fund To Assist

Montreal, May 23—Arrangements are being made by the patriotic fund for an extension of their regular work with a view to assisting the female relatives and families of overseas soldiers returning to Canada. It is said that a large number have been returning, some practically destitute. The patriotic fund has taken up the work, with arrangements to have representation at Halifax, Quebec and Montreal to meet incoming vessels and look after such soldiers' families as need assistance.

SISTER OF PARNELL DIES IN WORKHOUSE

Dublin, May 23—A sensation was caused in Dublin today by the death, in the workhouse hospital, known as the "South Dublin Union," of Mrs. Emily Hackett, sister of the late Charles Parnell, the famous Irish patriot.

HALIFAX BANK CLEARINGS

Halifax, May 23—Halifax bank clearings for the week ending today with comparisons are: 1918, \$3,260,308; 1917, \$3,464,343; 1916, \$1,844,987.



WILLIAM K. HICK IT OUT OF THE WAY, HINDI! W-W-E C-C-A-N'T GO BACK!

HOPE FOR ENDING-UP OF COMMONS BUSINESS TODAY

Prorogation in Sight; Pensions Matters Under Discussion; No State Insurance; The Division on Motion on the Charges Made by A. B. Copp

LOCAL NEWS

A FAREWELL GIFT—Aubrey D. Logan, who is to leave this evening for St. John's, P. Q., to train with the Royal Canadian Engineers, received a wrist watch from his employer, P. T. Walsh, and his fellow-employees at that establishment as a token of their good wishes.

DEATH OF SOLDIER HERE—The body of Private Harry L. Sutherland, a member of the Depot Battalion, who died yesterday in the Pitt street Hospital after a short illness, was taken this morning to his home in Country Harbor, N. S., where the funeral will take place tomorrow. The body was accepted by the depot Battalion.

EMPIRE DAY—Empire Day is being observed today in the city schools. The custom of setting aside the day before the anniversary of the birth of the late Queen Victoria to be celebrated in this manner was established for the purpose of impressing on the minds of the pupils some idea of imperial matters and inculcating ideas of patriotism. In the various schools appropriate exercises were carried out this afternoon in the assembly rooms of those buildings which have such accommodations, and in the classrooms in other buildings.

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

Synopsis—Since yesterday morning showers and thunder storms have occurred locally from the lower lake region to the maritime provinces. In the west the weather has been fair with somewhat higher temperature.

Forecasts.—Lakes and Georgian Bay—Moderate to fresh northwest to north winds, fair and moderately warm today and on Friday.

Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Moderate to fresh northwest to north winds, fair and moderately warm today and on Friday.

Lower St. Lawrence—Fresh west to north winds, clearing and a little colder; Friday, fine with moderate temperature.

Gulf and North Shore—Moderate to fresh winds, shifting to west and north, local showers today; Friday, fair with moderate temperature.

Finns for Holiday.—Moderate to fresh winds, shifting to west and north, local showers today; Friday, fair.

Lake Superior—Light to moderate today and on Friday with stationary or a little higher temperature.

Manitoba—Fair with rising temperature; Friday, a few scattered showers.

Alberta and Saskatchewan—Generally fair today, but a few scattered showers.

New England—Partly cloudy and cooler tonight; Friday fair, moderate west to northwest winds.

IRISH BRIGADES OR DIVISIONS ARE PLANNED

Part of Project For Voluntary Recruiting REVERSAL OF OLD POLICY

Visit of Lord Mayor of Dublin to Washington May Be Cancelled; Chief Secretary Shortt Called to London

London, May 23—Part of the plan for voluntary recruiting in Ireland, the Dublin correspondent of the Daily News says he learns, probably will involve the complete reversal of an old war office policy. This will mean the adoption of immediate steps to form homogeneous Irish brigades or Irish divisions in which the observance of Irish customs to foster the idea of a distinct nationality within the empire.

The correspondent, however, predicts that Nationalist civilians will give only lukewarm support to the plan and thinks that most Nationalist members of parliament are hardly likely to accept the invitation to appear on the recruiting platform, although he admits some of them favor supporting voluntary enlistment.

VISIT TO WILSON MAY BE ABANDONED—Dublin, May 23—The Mansion House anti-conscription conference yesterday afternoon of two hours, adjourned until today. A further statement will be issued. It was as the delegate of the conference that the Lord Mayor of Dublin was to proceed to Washington to present to President Wilson a statement of the Irish people's attitude towards conscription. His departure, which already has been considerably delayed, is now feared at all before the end of next week.

A possible hitch in the arrangements for the mayor's visit to Washington is being discussed. It is illegal, under the Defence of the Realm Act, to transmit communication without permit otherwise than through the censored postal channels. The requirement should be insisted upon in the lord mayor's case, it would be necessary for him to submit this document for approval to the British government before carrying it to President Wilson. It is very unlikely that he will be able to do this and it is regarded as probable that the proposed visit will be abandoned.

SHORTT CALLED TO LONDON.—Dublin, May 23—Edward Shortt, chief secretary for Ireland, left Dublin yesterday for London. Several appointments made for yesterday and today had to be postponed. It was believed generally that his sudden journey came as a consequence of a series of conferences between the heads of the military and civil departments. As compared with the activities there on Tuesday, the atmosphere at the assembly rooms of those buildings which have such accommodations, and in the classrooms in other buildings.

John Etchingham, a local Sinn Fein leader, was arrested during Tuesday night in southern Ireland.

London, May 23—Evidence concerning the alleged German plot in Ireland will be submitted to the British cabinet today by Mr. Shortt, says a Press Association despatch from Dublin. If it is thought that any part of the evidence could or should be published compatible with the public interest it will be done, says the despatch, which adds:

"It can be stated on the best authority that the justification for the arrests exists in the shape of astounding evidence, but publication is a question affecting not merely the welfare of the prisoners but the well-being of the empire."

FOR PRISONERS' DEPENDENTS.—Dublin, May 23—The anti-conscription conference has decided "inasmuch as the Irish prisoners will be regarded universally as victims in the national struggle" to provide for their dependents from the national defence fund. The latest statement shows that the fund exceeds £100,000.

LIMIT AMOUNT OF CHEESE IN STOCK SO AS TO SEND ALL POSSIBLE ACROSS OCEAN.—Ottawa, May 23—In response to appeals from Lord Rhonda for all the cheese and butter which Canada can release for export overseas, the Canada Food Board is endeavoring to expedite shipment of both these products, exists for export overseas, and seven inspectors will watch the results of the gathering and advise the workers. There will be three inspectors of the war gardens during the summer and the results will be recited in the marks for the next school term.

RECOVERING FROM INJURIES.—Hazen B. Brown has received word from his son, Lieut. Harold Brown, announcing that he has almost entirely recovered from the effects of injuries which he sustained several months ago in an airplane accident. He still lingers, has been able to discard his cane. He has returned to his post as assistant adjutant of the fifth training squadron of the Royal Air Force in Wynton, Hamilton.

IS GUILTY OF MURDER

Jury Out One Hour In Kierstead Case

No Recommendations Accompany The Verdict—Judge's Charge Delivered at Morning Session of Court

A verdict of guilty, and without any recommendations, was returned this morning by the jury in the case against Kierstead, who was on trial before Judge Barry in Sagetown on a charge of murdering his wife at their home, Salmon Creek, on Dec. 22. The jury went out a little before 10 o'clock and returned an hour later with their verdict.

When the case was resumed this morning Judge Barry charged the jury. His carefully reviewed the evidence and pointed out many important facts brought out. He said he considered the evidence of Myrtle Kierstead, daughter of the defendant, very important and praised her for the clear and intelligent manner which she gave her testimony. He then dwelt on insanity and gave instances where a man might be laboring under a delusion and still be guilty of murder. He pointed out that the prisoner had himself told witnesses that he had murdered his wife.

During the judge's charge to the jury the prisoner sat listening attentively and kept watching the proceedings with interest. As the jury left the room he eagerly watched each one and then sat back to await their return.

A. R. Shipp, K. C., counsel for the accused, has made application for leave to appeal or for a new trial. Judge Barry has not given his decision on the question.

BELIEVE GIRL WAS MURDERED

Body of Nellie Lipsett Brought From Boston—N. B. Doctors to "Medical Week" in Hamilton

Fredericton, N. B., May 23—The funeral of Miss Nellie Lipsett, whose tragic death occurred in Boston on Monday, took place today. Service was conducted last night. This morning the body was taken to Pleasant Valley, Nashwaak. Relatives who accompanied the body from Boston are inclined to have the belief that the girl was murdered.

Dr. Roy H. McGrath, secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, will leave on Saturday for Hamilton, Ont., to attend the Canada Medical week. It is possible that the committee on uniformity in provincial health rules, of which he is a member, will go to Washington after the Canada Medical week to attend the meeting of the American Public Health Service, June 3, 4 and 5. It is possible that the committee on uniformity between the health laws of Canada and the United States will be brought about by Tuesday night in southern Ireland.

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