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Progress Continues After British Open Sweeping Attack Against Sharp Foe Salient Near Ypres--Many Prisoners Taken in Opening Drive
By Courier Leased Wire
Bulletin, London, June 7.-The British opened an attack on 1 a nine mile front between. Meissens a nd Wytschaete and have taken all their first objectives. The official statement says that the British progress is being continued and that a number of prisoners have been taken.

The new British offensive is against a sharp German salient three miles south of Ypres. For several days the British have maintained a tremendous bombardment for almost thirty miles on this portion of their front. The salient itself is about three miles in width and the same distance in depth. An effective advance in this sector wolles from the nearest British position.

Bulletin, London, June 7.-The text of the official statement follows:
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French fire and retired alter susta ining heavy loses.
Laurier Forces Canada Into a General Election

Action of Liberal Leader in Rejecting Proposal of Sir Robert Borden For Union Cabinet Compels. Government to go to the Peaple

By Courier Leased Wire
Toronto, June 7.-A despatch from Ottawa to the Daily News says:
"The proposals made by Sir Robert Borden for a union cabinet have been decisively rejected by Sir Wilfrid Laurier. As a result a general election is certain and will be called as soon as the necessary
steps can be taken. The situation was explained to members of the steps can be taken. The situation was explained to
house this morning when both parties held a caucus. house this morning when both parties held a caucus.
"Sir Robert Borden will now endeavor to secure a group of liberals for the government from inside parliament or if necessary from outside parliament.

Ottawa, June 7-The Conservative Caucus today after hearing a report from the Premier on the failure of coalition negotiation gave what is said to have been practically unanimous approval to a propos al of Sir Robert Borden that the conscription bill should be brought
down next week and forced through the house. So far as known there down next week and forced through the house. mo marentuate from development after the bill is introduced.

Correspondence on the coalition negotiations showed that the Premier had made his proposal to the leader of the opposition, who had replied in effect that it should have been broached before conscription was announced. The Premier suggested a cabinet of eight hiberals and eight conservatives, with himsel as ' The Premier also suggested that sent government a majority ontroduced with the pledge that it would not be given effect until the coalition had gone to the country and asked for a mandate on the measure.

The two leaders were unable to agree upon the composition of the was declared off.
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