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FRENCH AND BRITISH SUCCESSFUL IN WEST

ATTEMPTED AIR RAID ON ENGLAND—HUN SUBMARINE SUNK—NORWAY ANGRY

FRENCH TROOPS GAINED GROUND WEST OF MEUSE

German Submarine Sunk—British are Successful in Mining and Artillery Work—Zeppelin Driven Off.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Paris, April 6.—The French have captured a large portion of the German positions on the Avoncourt front at Bois-Carre and west of the Meuse on the Avoncourt-Bethincourt line.

German Submarine Sunk.

The Minister of Marine announces the sinking of a German submarine by an Anglo-French squadron. The submarine crew were taken prisoners.

British Success.

The British have carried out successful mining and artillery operations destroying enemy positions at St. Eloi and north of Ypres on the St. Julien road.

Norway Angry.

The Norwegian press takes a threatening attitude towards Germany, being angered over the torpedoing in the last few days of eleven Norwegian ships with the loss of twenty lives.

Attempted Air Raid.

London, April 6.—A single Zeppelin attempted the sixth air raid on the northeast coast of England this week. It was driven off by gun-fire. The airship dropped bombs into the sea and returned home. A second Zeppelin was hit in the last raid judging from the carbon copy of a wireless message from her commander, which has been picked up.

CARNIVAL

The British Booth committee, who will have the exclusive sale of fancy work at the Red Cross "Carnival of the Allies," to be held April 24 and 25 at the Agricultural Hall, request that the ladies of the city and district donate all fancy work that they feel they can reasonably spare for the noble cause from now on until that date, sending the same to Mrs. Frizzell's Store on Third Avenue, and to the Prince Rupert Grocery, corner of Fulton and Sixth Street.

SUN AND TIDE

Friday, April 7th, 1916.

Sun rises.....6:03 a. m.
Sun sets.....7:17 p. m.
High water.....4:30 a. m.
Low water.....11:08 a. m.
High water.....1:53 p. m.
Low water.....11:16 p. m.
Captain J. McGee, M. M. S.A.

LOST—Spare tire and rim from auto. Finder please phone 99. Reward.

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BRIG.-GEN. JOHN J. PERSHING

In command of United States forces who have invaded Mexico in pursuit of Villa. His command is the 8th Brigade.

SPLENDID CONCERT BY THE FORTNIGHTLY CLUB

A large audience, presided over by Mr. W. E. Williams, thoroughly enjoyed the program provided by the committee of the Fortnightly Club at its closing meeting in the Presbyterian Hall last evening.

Mrs. Bay and Miss Brand gave a very fine rendering of Mendelssohn's Wedding March as a pianoforte duet. Mrs. C. L. Munro's recitation of Longfellow's "Legend Beautiful" was particularly pleasing. Mrs. William Miller sang a dear old Irish song entitled "Maire, My Girl." A quartette composed of Mrs. Dorton, Miss Kathleen Grant and Messrs. Dorton and Currie blended their voices very effectively in "Sweet and Low."

"Tilda's New Hat," a "Cockney" sketch, played by Mrs. E. H. Patterson, Mrs. T. C. Duncan, Miss Margaret McColl and Mr. Corkhill, kept the audience in a constant ripple of amusement, and reflected great credit on the performers.

Mrs. Norman MacKintosh made quite a hit with her Scotch song, "Willie's Gane to Melville Castle" and had to respond to an encore, giving "The Weaving Song."

Mr. and Mrs. Brady delighted the audience with a dialogue from "The Merchant of Venice." Mr. Brady played the part of Bassanio choosing the casket, while Mrs. Brady took the part of Portia. The accompaniments were sympathetically played by Miss Irwin and Miss Brand.

"God Save the King" brought one of the most enjoyable concerts of the season to a close.

THE WEATHER

By F. W. Dowling.
For 24 hours ending 5 a. m. March 6, 1916.
Barometer.....30.289
Highest temperature.....54.0
Lowest temperature.....35.0

SNAP

Two first-class residential lots for sale, choicest location in town, splendid view; real snap; need the money. Cash or terms. Apply P. O. Box 665, City. 84.

HUN SUBMARINE FIRED TORPEDO AT RESCUE SHIP

French Official Report on Sinking of Sussex—Brazilian Blockade Runner Caught—Intrigue in Bulgaria.

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, April 6.—The official report by Admiral Grasset, of the French Admiralty, in connection with the sinking of the Channel steamer Sussex, states that the captain and passengers saw a torpedo speeding towards the vessel eight seconds before she was struck. The captain tried to manoeuvre his ship to avoid the missile. The fore part of the Sussex was severed and foundered while the after part remained afloat.

Twelve hours after she was struck, about three a. m., when a British destroyer picked up the boatload of survivors, a submarine which was hiding in the vicinity of the Sussex, fired a torpedo.

Blockade Runner.

The Brazilian steamer Saldanha De Gama has been seized off the Orkney Islands with a cargo of 1,200 tons of raw rubber consigned to New York. The vessel was making a deliberate attempt to run the blockade.

Intrigue in Bulgaria.

M. Chenadieff, a former premier of Bulgaria, has been arrested, along with seven others, on a charge of intriguing against the government.

W. T. DONNELLY HERE TO INSPECT DRYDOCK

Mr. W. T. Donnelly, who planned the drydock, arrived from the south on the Prince Rupert today. Mr. Donnelly intends to inspect the dock and return south on Saturday morning.

Interviewed by The Daily News with reference to the possibility of work coming to the dock at an early date, Mr. Donnelly said, "The citizens of Prince Rupert must realise that the Grand Trunk Pacific are not overlooking any tricks in this connection. The company is, in the very nature of things, anxious to see speedy development at their Pacific coast terminal, and is spending large sums every day to keep Prince Rupert on the map."

Questioned as to his visit to Ottawa, Mr. Donnelly said that he went straight to Ottawa after his last visit here and laid the claims of the drydock before Sir Robert Borden, while he also interviewed the representatives of the British government who were over here at that time.

BIG PASSENGER LIST

The Prince Rupert this morning carried over a hundred first-class passengers and the wharf had quite a tourist season appearance after the vessel berthed. There were twenty-five through passengers for Alaska, who left on the Prince John this afternoon.



LADY HADFIELD

Lady Hadfield, who has been running the Anglo-American hospital in France, is the wife of the clever scientist, the inventor of manganese steel, Sir Robert Abbott Hadfield, F. R. C., who was awarded the Bessemer gold medal in 1914 and the Elliott Glosson gold medal in Philadelphia. Lady Hadfield is the daughter of Col. Samuel Wickersham, of Philadelphia.

TWO LADIES BRUTALLY MURDERED IN SEATTLE

(Special to The Daily News.)

Seattle, April 6.—Mrs. Corinne Wheeler, aged 76, and her sister, Mrs. Kate Swift, aged 53, have been murdered with an axe at their residence on Westlake Ave., North, and robbed of \$2,000. The bodies were discovered by a nephew of deceased, H. S. King.

LEGAL INSPECTOR SHARED COMMISSION

(Special to The Daily News.)

Victoria, April 6.—C. C. Pemberton, broker, in examination before the public accounts committee, has admitted that he divided a commission of \$4,000 on the purchase of the Victoria Court House site with H. C. Hannington, inspector of legal offices for the provincial government.

Money Bills Passed.

The Lieutenant-Governor has given his assent to the money bills today. The vote for supplies totals eleven million dollars, and includes J. H. Turner's pension of \$6,000 and a bonus of \$5,000.

COLONEL KIRKPATRICK AND MAJOR BULLOCK-WEBSTER

Colonel Kirkpatrick, Major Bullock-Webster and four troopers of the 11th Canadian Mounted Rifles, arrived on the Prince Rupert this morning on a recruiting mission.

Major Bullock-Webster is looking remarkably well after his spell of typhoid. The Major made a wonderful recovery after the doctors had given up all hope of his ever getting better. Though still wearing the shoulder badge of the 54th to which he was attached before his illness, he is for the present, at least, with the Mounted Rifles.

BLOOD MONEY IN MILLIONS FOR MUNITIONS GRAFTERS

CONFIDENTIAL FRIEND OF MINISTER OF MILITIA MADE HUGE FORTUNE IN TURNING OVER CONTRACTS FOR FUSES AND SHELLS TO DUMMY COMPANIES

The revelations in connection with the fuse and shell contracts let to dummy companies by the shell committee, and on which huge sums were paid before any work was done, have caused consternation in Ottawa and throughout the country. The Toronto Globe deals with the matter editorially as follows:

"The lid is off at Ottawa. Further pretence that the revelations made do not warrant an investigation into the operations of the Shell Committee will be received with indignation by the Canadian people. The excuse that the Committee was responsible to the Imperial government, and that any investigation must be made by authority of Mr. Lloyd George, can no longer be advanced without bringing Sir Robert Borden's ministry into contempt.

"Documents have been produced and read in the House of Commons showing that one of the most scandalous transactions ever carried out by a group of high finance bandits was formally endorsed and ratified in the following terms:

"I, Major-General the Hon. S. Hughes, Minister of Militia and Defence of the Dominion of Canada, in accordance with authority duly conferred upon me by His Britannic Majesty's Government, hereby ratify and confirm on its behalf the foregoing agreement between the American Ammunition Company, Incorporated, and the Shell Committee. Dated at Ottawa, Canada, this 19th day of June, A. D. 1915."

"What was this agreement so unreservedly ratified and confirmed by the Canadian Minister of Militia and Defence? The American Ammunition Co. was a make-believe company, organized by dummy directors and officers under the laws of the State of Virginia three weeks before the agreement was made between it and His Britannic Majesty. Its authorized capital was a million dollars, but only \$1,000 was subscribed. This company, without plant, or factory, or assets, or any means of carrying on business, was awarded a contract by General Bertram and the Shell Committee, with the approval of General Hughes, for 1,666,666 graze fuses for projectiles at \$4 each, and 833,334 time fuses at \$4.50 each.

On this huge contract, involving almost ten and a half million dollars, a cash advance of \$1,041,000 was made on the day the contract was signed, and another cash advance of \$520,000 was made four months afterwards. These sums should have been sufficient to build and equip at least four up-to-date fuse factories of large capacity. There was the most urgent need of projectiles, for at that time the Rus-

sians were being driven out of Poland for lack of shells, and the Canadian factories were piling up shells that were useless without fuses. Yet more than six months after the contract was made the American Ammunition Co. had not delivered a single one of the 833,334 time fuses it had contracted to supply, and only 160,000 of the graze fuses. Under similar circumstances a contract was entered into with another mushroom concern, the International Arms & Fuse Company, and this organization two weeks ago had delivered only 6,000 fuses out of a total of 2,500,000 contracted for, and upon which cash advances of \$1,687,000 had been made by the Shell Committee.

"Why this criminal delay? Who was behind the scenes influencing the Shell Committee and securing vast contracts for irresponsible middlemen without means to manufacture the articles they had contracted to supply? The sinister figure of Col. J. Wesley Allison, the confidential friend of the Minister of Militia, is seen in the background. B. F. Yoakum, who secured a rake-off of \$475,000 for negotiating and effecting the contract with the Shell Committee, out of a total of a million dollars divided between the middlemen involved, was a partner of Col. Wesley Allison, under this partnership agreement, was entitled to receive a portion of the rake-off on the American Ammunition Company's contract.

"Was that commission paid to Allison and to Yoakum out of the cash advances made to the company which should have been spent on the purchase of material and the equipment of factories for the manufacture of urgently required munitions? That question must be answered. If Sir Robert Borden does not permit an inquiry by the Public Accounts Committee or some other competent tribunal he and his government should be forced to go before the electorate to defend their refusal. Canada's honor is involved in the disclosures made by Mr. Kyte. A group of Canadians appointed by Mr. Lloyd George on the nomination of the Government of Canada to manage the manufacture of munitions in Canada refused to take steps looking to the making of fuses in the Do-

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