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OVERWHELMING VICTORY ON THE RUSSIAN FRONT

Forty Thousand Men, Nine Hundred Officers and Large Quantities of Guns and War Material Taken.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Petrograd, June 8.—It is officially announced that the Russians, in their big new offensive movement on a two hundred and fifty mile front, extending from the River Pripiet to the Rumanian frontier, have thus far captured nine hundred officers, forty thousand men, seventy-seven big guns, one hundred and thirty-four machine guns and forty-nine bombthrowers, besides a large quantity of searchlights, telephones, field kitchens. In addition to these, the Russians have become possessed of large quantities of arms, war material and great reserves of ammunition.

Caucasus Front.

On the Caucasus front, where large bodies of Turks have been determinedly attacking the Grand Duke's army in the vicinity of Erzincan, the Russian artillery has been successful in stopping the offensive of the enemy.

Austrian Admissions.

The Hotel Rupert bulletin says that the Austrians admit that the Russian offensive is overwhelming.

LEADERS SQUABBLE AT CHICAGO CONVENTION

(Special to The Daily News.)

Chicago, June 8.—The Republican and Progressive Conventions assembled today but there is no marked change in the situation.

The leaders held a conference but failed to agree on a candidate who would receive the support of both factions. There are rumors of peace, however.

Some republican leaders felt today that the Convention might not proceed with the nominations until Friday or even later.

If Hughes is nominated, it is believed that Roosevelt will himself become a candidate, as he is opposed to Hughes.

SAFETY FIRST—USE NEW WELLINGTON COAL. PHONE 116.

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TONIGHT (THURSDAY) ONLY

Anita Stewart and Earle Williams in

"THE GODDESS"

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"THE WIFE"

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WORLD'S NEWS PICTURES

Roaring Kelem Comedy

"DARING DUD THE PLUMBER"

June 19th is CHAPLIN DAY.

AUSTRALIANS TOOK TRENCHES AT WAR OFFICE

Small German Success at Village of Hooze—Australians Took Prisoners at Boisgrenier —Berlin Report.

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, June 8.—There is a continuance of the heavy artillery bombardment by both sides at Ypres. In the fighting yesterday, the enemy captured our front trenches running through the ruins of the village of Hooze. Other attacks by the Germans were repulsed.

Australian Success.

The Australian troops, who distinguished themselves in the Gallipoli fighting, have entered the German trenches east of Boisgrenier, inflicting losses on the enemy and capturing prisoners.

Berlin Report.

Berlin, June 8.—An official statement issued by the German war office says that Fort Vaux, one of the defences of Verdun which has been the cause of many days of bloody fighting, has been captured by the Germans. What remained of the French garrison finally surrendered.

The French made an effort to relieve the fort on Tuesday, which resulted in the capture by the Germans of seven hundred unwounded prisoners.

FUNERAL SERVICES OF EDWARD VENN

The funeral services for Edward Venn, the young organist of St. Paul's Church, Metlakatlah, took place at his native village on Tuesday, and were conducted by Major Morrison.

The choir, which was in deep mourning, rendered a special anthem and all the villagers were present. Deceased was one of the most highly respected and deeply loved young men of the district. He was an ardent church worker, never missing a service, while he was also a great help in conducting the Sunday School. He willingly gave his services as organist without fee or any expectation of reward. He is greatly missed by all, his death having cast a deep gloom over Metlakatlah.

LIEUT. W. S. MARSHALL AT COL. MARSHALL'S FUNERAL

Lieut. W. S. Marshall was able to attend the funeral of his brother, Colonel Marshall, who was killed recently at the front. The eastern exchanges contain long accounts of the burial services, which must have been very impressive. Officers and men of all ranks and all units of the Canadian forces were there. The pipe bands played the march and the firing party was made up of men from the various Canadian battalions. The late Col. Marshall won the D. S. O. for his gallantry at the earlier battle of Ypres.



THE ASQUITH FAMILY

The picture shows the Premier, with his wife and two daughters in the background, as they were leaving St. Paul's Cathedral after the unveiling of the tablet to the memory of Captain Scott.

SERGEANT NEVILLE LOOKS FIT AND WELL

Sergeant "Jimmy" Neville arrived from Victoria on the Prince George this morning, looking remarkably fit, though he still walks with a slight limp.

"Jimmy" is no stranger to warfare, having had experience before in several parts of the world. He now carries on his left breast an added strip of ribbon, the new piece being made up of the colors of the Allies. The exact ribbon for the medal for the present war has not yet been decided upon, but meantime, it is a combination of the French, Belgian, Russian, British and Italian colors.

The sergeant states emphatically that Captain "Don" Moore is dead and that there is no possibility of his having been taken prisoner by the Germans. He is certain that "Don" sleeps peacefully in the orchard at Festubert.

"Jimmy" saw Crippen just before he was killed. He says "Crip" passed him, carrying a supply of bombs and that shortly afterwards, the gallant little "Crip" blew up a German machine gun. His bombs disposed of, he dug in for shelter and almost immediately was killed by a rifle bullet.

W. J. Guiney, of Hazelton, accompanied Sergeant Neville north. Mr. Guiney was wounded at Festubert and Givenchy.

LIEUT. GERALD PETERS IS REPORTED MISSING

City Solicitor Fred Peters has received official notice that his son, Lieut. Gerald Peters, is missing. Gerald just recently earned his Lieutenantcy and must just have returned to the front shortly before the recent heavy action. I am sincerely hoped that he will yet be reported safe, even if a prisoner.

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BOWSER SPOKE AT NANAIMO LAST NIGHT

(Special to The Daily News.)

Vancouver, June 8.—Premier Bowser, speaking at Nanaimo last night, stated that the writ issued by H. C. Brewster would undo the work of the Legislature. He said that if the writ were successful it would result in the perpetuation of a dictatorship worse than Russia. He, Bowser, would be the absolute dictator of the province.

ST. PETER'S SALE OF WORK REALIZED THE SUM OF \$150

Over \$150 was realized at the St. Peter's Church sale of work at Seal Cove yesterday. The stalls taking the highest amounts were the Work Stall (Mrs. C. Freeman) \$57.00, and the Junior Stall (Mrs. G. Kelsey) \$44.05. The greatest credit is reflected upon all the little group of energetic workers at Seal Cove, especially Mrs. Kelsey, president of the Juniors, and Mrs. Larter.

PRISONERS OF WAR

The Prisoners of War sale of home cooking in the Red Cross rooms on Sixth Street is this week in the capable hands of Mrs. McColl and Mrs. Jennings. The sale will be held on Friday and ladies are reminded that contributions of all lines of home cooking will be welcomed. The boys in the German prison camps do not get enough to eat and it is up to us to help feed them. They have sacrificed much for us; we cannot but do what little we can for them.

GOSDEN CASE

Victoria, June 8.—The Gosden perjury case went to the jury at seven o'clock last night. There was no verdict at midnight, when the jury was locked up for the night.

NATIONAL MOURNING

Ottawa, June 8.—All the officers of the Canadian Forces will wear mourning and all flags on military buildings in the Dominion of Canada will remain at half-mast up to and including the 14th of June, in memory of Lord Kitchener.

WHY?

The Royal Commission now sitting at Ottawa is investigating only four contracts let by the late Canadian Shell Committee to United States firms; only this and nothing more.

A contract with the International Arms & Fuse Co. for 2,500,000 fuses.

A contract with the American Ammunition Co. for 2,500,000 fuses.

An alleged or abortive contract with the Edwards Valve Company of Chicago for cartridge cases.

An alleged contract or negotiations with the Providence Chemical Co. of St. Louis, for supplies of picric acid.

These contracts amounted to some \$22,000,000.

The Canadian Shell Committee handled altogether contracts amounting to over \$300,000,000.

The scope of the Royal Commission is restricted rigidly to these United States contracts — LESS THAN ONE-TWELFTH of the total business of the Shell Committee.

By the terms of its commission from the Borden government, it can not and must not go any further.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's demand was for Parliamentary investigation of ALL business of the Shell Committee.

Voted down by the Borden majority in the House.

A later demand by Liberals for extension of the scope of the Commission; also voted down.

"THE GODDESS" AT THE WESTHOLME TONIGHT

Besides the 13th episode of "The Goddess," the unique serial, in which Anita Stewart and Earle Williams are the stars, there is a good three-act drama entitled "The Wife" at the Westholme tonight. It is a Klaw and Erlanger feature and should be first-rate. There is also an extremely funny Kalem comedy, "Desperate Dud the Plumber." A Selig Tribune Gazette makes up a good program.

The next concert night at this popular house will be given over to Scotch numbers, this being the first of the "national" nights.

Genuine Ayrshire Roll and Scotch Raw Beef Ham on ice.—Fuller & McMeekin, phone 56.

ASQUITH HAS TAKEN CHARGE OF WAR OFFICE

Premier Conducts Affairs Until Appointment is Made—Derby Would Give Satisfaction, Says Graphic.

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, June 8.—Premier Asquith has temporarily taken personal charge at the war office. There is reason to believe that Field Marshal Sir John French has been offered the position of Secretary of State for War in succession to Lord Kitchener.

The Daily Graphic declares that the new war minister should be a civilian and that Lord Derby, the former director of recruiting, would give most satisfaction.

German East Africa.

Brigadier-General Worthey's column has pursued the East African Germans to New Utengula, capturing booty and prisoners. The German commandant has been taken prisoner.

The natives, who had become completely demoralized, extended a hearty welcome to the British force.

HOW SIR SAM HUGHES INFLUENCED ORDERS

Ottawa, May 31.—The most interesting part of the fuse enquiry has been the cross examination of Sir Sam Hughes. At the outset of today's proceedings, the correspondence which passed between the Shell Committee and D. A. Thomas, representing the Minister of Munitions, was produced.

The following clause from a letter to the committee from D. A. Thomas is eloquent as to the reason for his visit to Canada:

"As I have already intimated to you, the Minister of Munitions considers that the prices allotted to the Shell Committee in the past have been too high, and had indicated his view that the allocation of further orders to Canada will depend on the extent to which Canadian prices can be brought in line with others."

Sir Sam produced a lengthy written statement as to the services rendered by Colonel Allison to the Empire, but the Commissioners did not admit it as evidence, as it had no bearing upon the case on hand. Sir Sam handed the statement to the press. After denying all knowledge of the letters and telegrams from Colonel Webb, offering to make fuses for \$3.50 and \$3.75, Sir Sam went on to state that he had never interfered in the slightest in the placing of contracts by the committee.

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