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## BRITISH NOW DOMINATE ST. QUENTIN CITY

### THE ALLIED TROOPS ARE ADVANCING SUCCESSFULLY AGAINST GERMAN LINE

#### THE ALLIES ARE HAMMERING AT THE GERMANS

British in Sight of St. Quentin, and Have View of City Only Four Miles Away—Still Make Progress.

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, April 3.—Gen. Haig's troops are today in full sight of Hindenburg's line. From the ridge dominating St. Quentin the British forces can see the city not quite four miles away. To the south, the French forces, with equally strong thrusts, have advanced to within three miles of what is supposed to be one of the key cities of the Hindenburg line. All London is expecting to hear of tremendous fighting at this salient today. The Germans are striving frantically to complete their fortifications to oppose further advances with their heavy guns.

An official message states that the British took the village of Sacy, west of St. Quentin yesterday and later took Sacy Wood, only three miles from St. Quentin. Further to the northwest, the villages of Vendelles, Epahy and Doffera, to the southeast of Hendicourt, were taken today.

**Berlin Admits.**  
Berlin last night admitted that on Saturday, the British burst into the German lines on the Somme front for nearly two miles.

**French Front.**

Paris, April 3.—South of Ailette the French forces drove back the German troops beyond Vaux Hallon. The French patrols found the lines in the region of St. Quentin strongly held by the enemy.

South of Laon, the French took several German trench systems on the ridge near Laffaux. The Germans have destroyed large parts of St. Quentin by fire and explosives.

#### CANADIAN PREMIER LUNCH IN COMMONS

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, April 3.—The Empire Parliamentary Association entertained the colonial premiers, delegates to the Imperial Conference to lunch yesterday in the House of Commons, the colonial secretary presiding. Premier Borden reviewed the splendid achievements of the Canadian troops, who have maintained the best traditions of the British army. The Premier said that no sacrifice can be too much today, and he would refer those dependents to the men in the trenches and in the hospital wards.

Special Easter music on Good Friday. Farmers Oratorio "Christ and His Soldiers" at the Methodist Church at 8 p. m.

Women's Inviets and Bell's shoes just arrived—Wallace's.

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GENERAL HUBERT GOUGH

British Commander, who pursued the Germans from the Baupenne front. He is credited by Paris critics with being a brilliant tactician, as he harassed the retreating foe with artillery instead of cavalry.

#### COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL

At the council meeting last night, Alderman Nelson was appointed chairman of the finance committee, Alderman McClymont of the board of works, Alderman Dybham of public utilities, Alderman Casey, market and health, and Aldermen Montgomery and Smith, of fisheries.

#### GREAT CHANGES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

"When I cast my memory back to the time when I commenced my ministry in this province thirty-six years ago," said the Rev. W. H. Pierce yesterday, "and compare the conditions of that time with what exists now on this coast, I can only wonder what will be the state of affairs that time hence."

Thirty-six years ago, the Hudson's Bay Co. had a newly established post at Bella Bella. Mr. Pierce's memory goes further back than that. He can remember when the Indians of this northern country on their annual trips to Victoria to sell their furs, had to go south in great companies, strong enough to withstand the tribes around Cape Mudge. In those days the trip by canoe took six weeks against thirty-six hours nowadays. Mr. Pierce well remembers on one occasion, when sixty canoes were bound together for mutual protection on the trip being chased through the Seymour Narrows by hostile tribes, on which the women in the expedition were kept busy leading the old fashioned flint-lock muskets. Mr. Pierce's father and Robert Duns-muir, the late lieutenant-governor of the province, came to this country together and Mr. Pierce has also many interesting tales to tell of their experiences in what was then an unknown country.

The Rev. Mr. Pierce preached at the Methodist Church here on Sunday and has charge of the Methodist Church work at Port Essington.

#### ATTENTION LADIES

New lines of sport shoes and high boots, rubber soles and heels just arrived in time for Easter. At Peck's Shoe Store.

The favorite household Coal is Ladysmith Wellington. Phone 15. Prince Rupert Coal Co.

Dr. Reed's cushion-sole shoes for men.—Wallace's.

#### DELEGATES REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL

At the city council meeting last night, Mayor McCaffery and Alderman McRae, who were appointed on a delegation from the city council to interview the government at Victoria on certain matters, made their reports. The subjects taken up with the government executive were the road around Kaian Island and the one to the top of the mountain, government buildings in Prince Rupert, water power, taxes on government property, and waterfront property. So far as water power for the city was concerned, the delegates brought back the assurance that the city's interests would not be overlooked. With regard to the payment of taxes on government property in the city, as it is the same question which has arisen with other municipalities, the whole question will be gone into, and it is likely that the arrears of taxes will constitute a first charge against such properties. Concerning the waterfront property belonging to the provincial government, which the city wishes to get, the minister of lands asked what the city was prepared to do with such waterfront and for what specific purpose it was required. On receipt of such information, the matter will be given every consideration. The Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands, and Mr. A. M. Manson, member for Omineca, had afforded the delegates every assistance in the prosecution of their work.

After the reports had been read, Alderman Montgomery asked about Cow Bay. He had heard that the G. T. P. had made application for that waterfront, as the leases lapse this year. "Cow Bay is the most valuable piece of property in the city," said Alderman Montgomery, "because it is outside of the jurisdiction of the G. T. P. and today it is a little hive of industry, and is of greater importance to the city than the drydock has been hitherto. The G. T. P. must not get control of any more property." Alderman Montgomery was quite indignant at the delegation for not doing more with the government on this matter.

Mayor McCaffery pointed out that what the G. T. P. wanted was to exchange waterfront of equal value for the Cow Bay property and said that as the matter was in the hands of the minister of lands, and that in view of the record of the Hon. T. D. Pattullo with regard to the G. T. P. in past years, it could be safely left with him.

Alderman Montgomery grudgingly hoped it would be safe, and on a motion of Alderman Casey, the matter was referred to committee.

#### NEW LOCOMOTIVES FOR THE GRAND TRUNK

The Grand Trunk Railway System has ordered fifteen new locomotives for its freight service. They are of the latest Mikado type, super-heated, and each is capable of hauling a train of 6,339 tons.

These fifteen locomotives represent a total outlay of \$735,000, the price of locomotives having increased about one hundred per cent during the last two years. Ten of these locomotives are for use on Grand Trunk lines in Canada and are being built at Kingston, Ont., while five are for use on the company's lines in the United States and are being constructed there.

Each of these great engines weighs 276,000 pounds, exclusive of tender, which has an additional weight of 165,800 pounds. The total length of engine and tender is seventy-nine feet.



**WHERE THE WORLD'S GREATEST BATTLE WILL BE FOUGHT.**  
This new map indicates the district where, according to the military experts, the world's greatest battle for the supremacy on the western front will be fought. The so-called Hindenburg line stretches from La Fere to St. Quentin and north from there to Cambrai. The British and the French lines join at St. Quentin, indicated by the arrow on the map. The biggest advances this week have been in the direction of the arrows. There is a good probability of the Allies breaking through between La Fere and St. Quentin, where the arrow is shown.

#### GERMANS ARE NOW APPREHENSIVE

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, April 3.—The military experts here today saw fresh signs of apprehension in the German mind that they will be unable to hold the Hindenburg line. Information arriving from Denmark says that fresh calls for men have been issued by the Kaiser's leaders. The latest draft is taking every man able to carry a rifle, whether he is fifty years old or over.

Reports from Dutch sources continue to arrive bearing persistent reports of further internal trouble in Germany, but details are lacking and the character of the disorders are not specified.

#### THE ONLY REPLY IS WITH THE BAYONET

(Special to The Daily News.)

"We cannot shake hands with the German people until they rid themselves of the cursed Hohenzollerns," is what M. Skobloff, the vice-President of the Russian Duma declared in a speech delivered yesterday to a patriotic mass meeting outside the Duma. He said that the Kaiser and the Chancellor Hollweg were the two most redoubtable enemies of Russian liberty. To their hypocritical greetings the Russian revolutionists can only say, "We can only reply with the bayonet."

#### THE BATTLE AT GAZA

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, April 3.—The latest reports from the Egyptian expeditionary force state that the Turks lost eight thousand killed and wounded in the British victory achieved near Gaza in Palestine. The British losses were less than 400 in the battle.

#### PRES. WILSON HAS ASKED FOR A DECLARATION

Armed Neutrality is Found not Sufficient Protection for Neutral Rights—State of War Exists.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Washington, April 3.—President Wilson appeared before the special joint session of Congress last night and asked that body to declare a state of war existing between the United States and Germany. Armed neutrality had been found to be wanting and was likely to produce that which it was meant to prevent. Germany is held responsible for the final break and the entry of the United States into the world war. It is reported that the President intimated that it was the intention of the government in the event of war, to afford complete and every assistance to the allied governments in men, munitions, ships and money. In the financing of the war, the help of the United States would prove invaluable, and would be freely given.

**Capitol Stormed.**  
The Capitol is stormed by war factions, and the situation was being eagerly discussed yesterday. Dozens of special trains poured into Washington carrying war pilgrims and pacifists to influence Congress in its decision. Champ Clark was again elected speaker of the House of Representatives.

**Knocked Him Down.**  
It is reported that Senator Lodge, pro-Ally, knocked down a man named Baumort in the capitol at the opening session of Congress. Details are lacking.

**Armed Vessel Sunk.**  
The first armed American vessel, the Aztec, is reported sunk yesterday by a German submarine. Several of the crew are reported lost.

The Cunard liner Carpathia which arrived yesterday brought word of the destruction of a British hospital ship with the loss of 167 lives, by a German submarine. The Carpathia escaped the same underwater craft by only half an hour.

#### PRINCE RUPERT DAMAGE

It is reported that the G. T. P. steamer, Prince Rupert, ashore at Genn Island, has sustained damage to her bottom to the extent of 180 feet. Plates have been bent and broken, frames damaged and the floor set up. The boilers and engines are reported to be uninjured. As previously intimated, pinnacles of rock have pierced her hull, and these will have to be blasted away before the vessel can be released.

The Prince Rupert Retail Merchants Association has called a special meeting to be held in the city hall Wednesday, April 4th, 1917, at 8 p. m. The business men of the city are requested to get together and discuss the new developments which have taken place in the G. T. P. boycott situation. The members of the Board of Trade are also invited to be there. City Hall, Wednesday, April 4th.

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