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HINDENBURG LINE IS NOW BEING BROKEN

FURTHER CAPTURES BY THE BRITISH AND FRENCH ARMIES — ST. QUENTIN NEXT

BRITISH AND FRENCH STILL ADVANCING

Another Mile of Hindenburg Line Captured by British Army—French in Suburbs of St. Quentin.

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, April 14.—Another mile of the supposedly impregnable Hindenburg line has been captured by the British forces yesterday. The pivotal point of the German line around Arras is being threatened by General Haig's troops.

Around Metz-en-Couture the entire salient about two miles wide by about a mile deep has been taken by the British, simultaneously with the advance to the north of Arras. The British have averaged a gain of a mile in depth on a whole front of five miles in their sweep. The little town of Gouzeaucourt has now been cleared entirely of the Germans.

Canadians Advance.
The Canadian troops are steadily advancing from the Vimy Ridge today. On the eastern slope of the ridge they have occupied the enemy trenches to the east of forest. At Souchez, a hundred and ten prisoners, nine machine guns and one machine gun were captured.

Germans Astonished.
Desperation stalks behind the German lines. The chiefs of the German army are astonished at the tremendous and unceasing strength of the British smash, which has upset all their calculations. Prisoners of war are being utilised to dig further trenches to the rear of the present line, thus relieving more German fighters, while word has also gone back for reinforcements. Among the captured trench defenders today were included transport drivers, assistants, chauffeurs, bandmen and many other auxiliary service men.

St. Quentin.
Joining up with the general British offensive, Gen. Nivelle's troops today have pressed forward to a point where the southern pivot of the German retreat is fatally menaced by their blows.

The French troops are in the suburbs of St. Quentin today. At the same time, the British are pounding away on the west of the city, and are making their way forward surely. The final capture of St. Quentin and Gobain is now certain. The result of this must be the breaking of the first point of the Hindenburg line, according to the French strategists.

THE RESOURCES OF THE UNITED STATES

(Special to The Daily News.)

Washington, April 14.—Voluntary recruiting in the United States is at present slow. It is computed that at the present rate of progress that six years will be required to secure the numbers of men necessary.

It is recognized that the resources of the United States are unlimited. They are estimated at the stupendous total of \$250,000,000,000. In the measure regarding the bond issue presently up before Congress, unlimited power is given. Three billions will be loaned to the Allies and four billions will be kept as a reserve. The country is computed to have a much greater reserve than any of the other nations of the world.

SHIPPING BOUGHT BY THE UNITED STATES

(Special to The Daily News.)

Copenhagen, April 14.—A dispatch to the Danish newspapers states that the Americans are buying the majority of Norwegian ships now under construction in American shipyards. The dispatch states that they have purchased more than two hundred thousand tons.

ACCIDENT ON THE FISH WHARF YESTERDAY

An accident of a distressing nature occurred on the fish wharf yesterday afternoon. Peter Buchan, who is well known around town, got his foot caught in the ice crushing machine of the Booth Fisheries, Ltd. He was rushed to the hospital, after efficient first-aid had been rendered, and it was found that several toes were so badly crushed that they had to be amputated. His foot and foreleg were rather badly lacerated, and at first it was thought that the whole foot would be lost. If nothing else intervenes, the patient will get off with the loss of two or three toes, which is bad enough.

ARREST "MASTER SPY"

New York, April 10.—The German "master spy" was snared today by United States secret service agents when they took into custody Lieut.-Col. Arthur E. Bielkowsky, a retired German artillery officer. His arrest was regarded by federal officials as the most important stroke of the day in a general round-up of alien enemies all over the country.

In his first smash at the heart of the enemy spy system in the United States, government agents found a parallel to the astonishing espionage system discovered in England when war broke out between that country and Germany.

Lieut.-Col. Bielkowsky has been living in the United States for thirty-one years, all the time, it is said, a representative of the enemy's general staff and a close friend of the Kaiser.

GERMAN CRUISER WAS BLOWN UP

Washington, April 10.—The interned German gunboat *Cormoran* at Guam was blown up last night. The *Cormoran* refused to surrender to the American forces which went to take possession of her and she was destroyed by her crew.

Two German officers and five enlisted men were killed by the explosion. A later message indicated that one of the German officers reported killed may have escaped.

Twenty officers, twelve warrant officers and 321 enlisted men were taken prisoners.



PRESIDENT WILSON AND HIS WAR CABINET
Men in charge of the war preparations in the United States.

NO SEPARATE PEACE FOR THE RUSSIANS

(Special to The Daily News.)

Petrograd, April 14.—The Russian people are averse to overtures regarding a separate peace. There is a small chance that the Germans will be able to work their will on the new country. It is understood here that the separate peace stories are being spread in order to frighten the Allies, if possible. Russia is convinced that the war must go on to a victorious conclusion.

THE RED CROSS

The following night letter has been received here this morning, which is self explanatory:

Toronto, April 13th, 1917.
J. B. Roerig, Esq., Canadian Red Cross Society,
Prince Rupert, B. C.

Following cable has been sent by Chairman of Executive Commission in London: "Owing to heavy casualty lists, demands upon our society must be great. Please understand that Canadian Red Cross want every possible assistance rendered that will help the sick and wounded. Money and supplies will be provided upon recommendation of yourself and War Committee. The generosity of the Canadian people justifies us in authorizing you and committee to assist to the fullest possible extent."

Please give this wide publicity.
A. M. PLUMPTRE, Hon. Sec.
Central Branch Canadian Red Cross Society.

The heavy casualties on the western front during the present "big push" are using up the medical supplies, etc., for the sick and wounded very fast, and greater and greater demands continue to be made upon the Society. The people of Canada will see to it that the promise of the Canadian executive to the Commissioner in London will be implemented to the fullest degree.

THE GERMAN PEOPLE WANT TO KNOW

(Special to The Daily News.)

Amsterdam, April 14.—The Socialist newspaper "Voerwarts," in Berlin says editorially that the German government must have the courage to tell the German people the truth and the whole truth. It is recognized that Germany cannot dictate terms of peace to the whole world of enemies.

SUBMARINES ON THE PACIFIC COAST

(Special to The Daily News.)

Washington, April 14.—Rumors of enemy submarine vessels plying their nefarious trade off the Pacific coast are persistent, but thus far there has been no official verification, is announced today by the Navy Department.

THE RAILROAD COMMISSION

It is stated on the authority of visitors from the east that the settlement which the commission, appointed to look into the railway problem in Canada, recommends, will include a grant of \$50,000,000 to the G. T. P. and \$47,000,000 to the C. N. R. This it is understood the government will carry out. The spending of the money will be supervised by a government commission and can only be used for needed improvements.

DEMANDS INDEMNITY

(Special to The Daily News.)

Madrid, April 14.—The Spanish government has forwarded a note to Germany demanding an indemnity for the sinking of the Spanish steamer *San Fulgencia* last week by a German submarine.

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

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY HOLD CELEBRATION

There was a great gathering of Scotsmen and their friends last night in the new rooms of the St. Andrew's Society. The premises of the old Kaian Island Club, later known as the Railwaymen's Hall, have been acquired by the Society and a fitting celebration of the move to the new quarters was made last evening. The entertainment took the form of a smoking concert and was a very successful affair, from start to finish. A fine programme of vocal and instrumental music was arranged, which was thoroughly enjoyed. A few speeches were interspersed throughout the programme, which added greatly to the interest of the evening. Mr. Fred Stork was in a very happy vein, and in his usual inimitable style, pleased the gathering very greatly. Mr. Stork is an artist in telling stories, of which he seems to have an inexhaustible fund.

Alderman McClymont delivered a telling speech on the subject of democracy, and gave some hard knocks to our present day party system of government.

Mayor McCaffery was also present, and congratulated the Society on their new premises in a neat speech.

The Rev. Dr. Grant made a very fine speech and touched lightly upon many topics. The remarks passed by Dr. Grant will be long remembered by those assembled who listened attentively.

Mr. T. H. Johnston, of the Cold Storage Company, was also present as a visitor, and his "fish" stories and others were very much appreciated.

With story and song, the night passed all too quickly. A dainty supper was served about ten o'clock and from that time onward the minutes seemed to take wings.

The St. Andrew's Society is to be congratulated upon their possession of such an efficient house committee which is composed of Messrs. Robb, Murray and Clapperton, and Mr. W. R. Martin had a great deal to do with the spick and span state of the new rooms.

Mr. S. D. Macdonald is president of a strong society and great credit is due to him and to his executive for the splendid success of this function.

Those who contributed to the musical part of the programme, were Messrs. Geo. Waddell, Clapperton, Dowther, Moore, McColl, Steen, Gauld, Willisroft, Dave Thomson, Sturgeon and McDonald. Mr. J. H. McMillan gave some splendid violin selections, and the orchestral selections were much appreciated. Mr. W. Robb gave a recitation and a vocal quartette went well.

Many friends of the St. Andrew's Society members were present and one and all agreed that this St. Andrew's smoker was one to be long remembered.

MUST MAKE NO MISTAKE

(Special to The Daily News.)

Berlin, April 14.—Captain Persius, the German critic warns the country not to shrug their shoulders at the entry of the United States into the war. The same mistake must not be made as was made regarding the military forces of Great Britain.

AMERICAN AVIATION

Washington, April 14.—British and French airmen will aid the United States in building up the American Aviation service as rapidly as possible.

Invictus, Corona & Bell's shoes for men—Wallace's.

GERMANS SINK MORE HOSPITAL SHIPS

(Special to The Daily News.)

Washington, April 14.—The British hospital ship *Gloucester Castle*, 7,999 tons, has been torpedoed without warning in the English Channel on the 30th of March. The "Salta", 7,284 tons, was also sunk by a mine in the English Channel on the 10th of April, and fifty-two persons were drowned.

STARS AND STRIPES HOISTED IN LONDON

London, April 13.—The American flag was unfurled today beside the colors of the Entente nations in the London Bridge cafe for soldiers and sailors, which is conducted by the Countess of Limerick. The presentation of the flag was made by Mrs. Walter Hines Page, wife of the American ambassador, in the presence of the Lord Mayor of London, Sir Wm. Henry Dunn, Sir Francis Lloyd, Lady Jellicoe, Lady Haig and a large assembly of soldiers and sailors who gave three cheers for the Stars and Stripes as well as cheers for Lady Haig, in honor of the victory of her husband, Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, on the western front.

THE "PRINCE RUPERT"

The work of getting the "Prince Rupert" all ready for the high tide on the 22nd inst. is proceeding satisfactorily. Already the big steamer has been lowered some feet at the forward end, and the work of drilling and blasting the rock is proceeding apace. Several air drills are at work night and day, besides hand drillers. Only small charges of dynamite can be used, sufficient to just crack the rock, which is then removed. By the time the tides reach their highest level, about the 22nd of the month, it is expected that the vessel will be lowered sufficiently to enable her to float without any trouble.

THE SUBMARINE MENACE

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, April 14.—The returns for the month of March shows that eighty British vessels have been able to evade or beat off attacks by the enemy U boats. The number of vessels entering and leaving British ports continues to increase.

LOOKING FOR ORE

Mr. J. G. Johnson, engineer for the Ladysmith Smelting Corporation, was a recent visitor to this city, in the interests of his firm. The Ladysmith people are said to be in the market for ore and are likely to take up any promising copper properties which may appeal to them. It is expected that Mr. Johnson will be back here again in about two months' time to carry out a proper survey of this district as well as of those further north.

The headquarters of the Ladysmith Corporation are in Victoria.

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