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FURTHER GAINS MADE BY BRITISH TROOPS

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BRITISH HAVE RESUMED THE OFFENSIVE

Great Gains Made on Wide Front—More Prisoners are Taken—Activity is Great on Italian Front.

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, April 25.—The British offensive has been resumed today, when the troops under General Haig's command gained more ground. The advance was made on a wide front and fifteen hundred more prisoners were brought in. Further progress was made to the east of Monchy Le Preux and Roex, which places lie about six miles to the east of Arras. To the south of the Bapaume-Cambrai high road, the British gained ground on a wide front. To the west of Epehy, the British troops have reached the St. Quentin canal, in the neighborhood of Vendhuille. The villages of Villers-plouich and Beaucamp were also captured. The greatest gain achieved today was a thrust against the Cambrai-St. Quentin line. Along the whole front the enemy continues to put up the most desperate resistance, but steady gains continue to be registered by the British. The Germans no longer attempt to defend their elaborate underground systems.

Lens is now more than half enveloped by the British advance, and they can occupy the coal city at any time.

Seven divisions composed chiefly of Pomeranians and Bavarians have been smashed up by the British artillery. Two thousand prisoners from these divisions have passed through the British lines already and they are still coming.

French Front.

Paris, April 25.—Gen. Nivelle's troops are holding on to the positions wrested from the enemy during the past weeks. Notwithstanding the strong German attacks, none of the ground gained during the great offensive movement has been given up.

Italian Front.

Rome, April 25.—The battle in the Carso is becoming increasingly violent. Dispatches received from the front indicate that terrific fire from the Italian artillery is demoralizing the enemy. General Cadorna is quoted expressing the utmost confidence in his troops, whose morale is splendid.

Swiss Reports.

Prior to the great British drive early in March, reports received from Switzerland declared that Hindenburg was massing great bodies of troops on the Italian front, presumably preparing for a great German drive into Italy. It is now believed that most of these men have been re-transferred back to the western front to aid in opposing the Franco-British offensive.

French Official.

Paris, April 25.—Artillery active in the vicinity of Braisne and near Craon. French patrols took many prisoners. German attacks have all been repulsed. In Champagne, grenade fighting is in progress.

Mesopotamia.

The British troops have occupied Samara. Heavy toll was taken of the Turkish army. The British are now about sixty-five miles to the north of Bagdad. The total destruction of the Turkish army is now almost certain.

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CAPTAIN WILLIE REDMOND

The fighting son of a fighting Irishman—Son of the Irish party parliamentary leader.

ANOTHER GERMAN DESTROYER SUNK

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, April 25.—Another German destroyer is believed to have been sunk in a fight with a British aeroplane off Zeebrugge.

THE TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL MEET

At a meeting of the Trades and Labor Council held last evening, a communication was read regarding the long hours of some of the hospital staff. It was decided that a committee wait upon the hospital board and place the matter before them.

The W. C. T. U. had intended waiting upon the council regarding some matters of interest to the whole community, but owing to the illness of one of their members, the visit was postponed.

Credentials were received from members of the Longshoremen's Union, and other routine matters were disposed of.

MORE STEAMERS SUNK

(Special to The Daily News.)

Christiania, April 25.—The Norwegian steamers Pleive and Skjold have been torpedoed and sunk. The crews were saved.

ZIBASSA'S COOK HURT

The cook on the fishing boat Chief Zibassa, belonging to the Cold Storage Company, had a nasty accident yesterday. When hanging up a large piece of meat on board the vessel, his foot slipped and his hand became impaled upon the meat 'hook,' inflicting a nasty wound. After being dressed and fixed up at the hospital, the cook, whose name is Moore, left for his vessel, which was expected to sail about noon.

RUPERT MAN IN "BLIGHTY"

Word has been received in town that another man from this city is in hospital in England wounded from the western front. Ed. Grant, who used to work for Stan Parker, and later with the Imperial Oil Company, has been sent across the Channel with eighteen pieces of shrapnel in various parts of his anatomy. He is getting on as well as can be expected.

ACCIDENT ON SIXTH AVENUE

One of the big teams of the Pacific Cartage, Ltd., went over the sidewalk on Sixth Avenue yesterday. The accident was the result of an automobile passing which scared the horses suddenly. The damage did not amount to anything, but the accident might have had very serious results.

THE DEAD MAN ON ARISTAZABLE ISLAND

Chief Gammon, of the Provincial Police, returned to the city late last night after a visit of inspection to the location of the island where the dead body of a man was found a week ago. From the condition of the remains, the chief thinks that death must have occurred about eighteen months ago. It was only the clothing that held the bones together. The shack, where the find was made, contained absolutely nothing, except two or three empty boxes. There was no stove, nor food, nor utensils of any kind, showing that the man had not been living there previous to his death.

From the enquiries made by Chief Gammon, no one is missing to correspond with the description of the dead man and the matter remains so far a bit of a mystery.

There were some letters in the clothing of the dead man, but, having got wet, the writing is almost undecipherable. He had written one letter in ink, evidently with the intention of mailing it somewhere. The name of the addressee cannot be distinguished, but the name of the town looks like "Saitness."

A further investigation of the correspondence will be made today, when some further facts may be brought to light.

Aristazable Island, where this gruesome discovery was made, is quite a large island, and it lies to the other side of Princess Royal Island, little over one hundred miles south from here.

FOOD SCARCITY HURTS SWEDEN

Stockholm, April 24.—Dissatisfaction with the size of the bread ration, the shortage in many kinds of provisions and high prices generally, resulted today in a strike of laborers in all the shops of the town of Vestervik, which has a population of some 8,000.

The laborers quit work at noon, formed into a procession and visited the municipal authorities, who promised to secure for the workers supplementary bread cards and a reduction in the price of milk and food for earners of small incomes. The strikers later held a meeting, attended by 2,000 persons, and appointed a committee which adopted resolutions asking the town authorities to insure greater quantities of cheaper foods and demanding that the state government reach an agreement with the powers that regulate deliveries of food to Sweden, so that imports shall be increased.

The strikers then returned to work. At Karlstad, 400 women factory workers assembled at the city hall and sent a delegation to the mayor to demand an increase in the bread allowance.

The shortage in many articles of food daily grows more apparent. Potatoes cost from 30 to 40 cents a litre (2.2 pounds). In Stockholm the milk dealers are accepting no new customers. Oatmeal has vanished from the market, and it is difficult to get butter. Nearly all kinds of vegetables are becoming more scarce and dearer in price.

The high school girls will give a Russian tea and sale of home-cooking at Killas' Ice Cream parlor in aid of the school patriotic fund, on Saturday, April 28th, from 3 till 6 o'clock. The need is urgent, so keep this date open.



GERMAN ARMIES BEING COMPELLED TO FIGHT

The Kaiser's forces on the western front are confronted with the truth that they must fight to the limit. The French have executed several feints and the British are likewise keeping the enemy guessing along a deep battle front. East of Courcy shown on this map, allied advances are officially reported. Several days ago the Germans drove the French from their positions on the east bank of the canal at Saigneul, but the French slowly have regained the lost ground and retain the bridgehead. It may be that the Germans are planning a retreat from the Champagne region east of Rheims and that the French are pinning them down and threatening to smash the left pivot for their retreat, which is at Berry on the Aisne.

The Hindenburg line already has been broken at Vimy and possibly other points. The French are striving mightily to add to the consternation at German headquarters by breaking through at the south end of the Hindenburg line. West of Cambrai the enemy is said to be so hard pressed that he is using chaffeurs and bandmen in the fighting line. His air service has been disorganized by the daring deeds of the British aviators.

CONSCRIPTION IN UNITED STATES

(Special to The Daily News.)

Washington, April 25.—Conscription is vital to success in war is what Lieut.-Col. Bridges tells the United States. In showing how the British were hampered in the early days of the war by the volunteer system, he told how it worked against the vital industries of the nation. The people of Great Britain were won to universal service by realizing that only by it could victory be assured.

IN THE LETTER BOX

Prince Rupert, April 24th. The Editor of "The News":

Would you kindly allow us space in your valuable paper to make a few remarks?

Yesterday we noticed the Stars and Stripes floating in solitary glory against the blue sky of Rupert from the flagstaff of the city hall. Where was the Union Jack? Why was it neglected and not even flying from the Government Buildings—which is very rarely is? We all admire "Old Glory," but when flying over a government building, it should be side by side with the Union Jack.

Often the American flag was the only one to be seen flying in this city, even before the States joined the Allies. Was this an oversight or willful neglect? We seek and pray for union, and forget to use the symbols of union. "JUST TWO GIRLS."

SUN AND TIDE

Thursday, April 26th.
Sun rises 5:22 a. m.
Sun sets 7:58 p. m.
High water 4:6 a. m. Ht. 19.5
Low water 10:40 a. m. Ht. 5.2
High water 5:14 p. m. Ht. 17.1
Low water 10:49 p. m. Ht. 9.8

Officer: (In France buying provisions for the mess.) "Donnez-moi, s'il vous plait, du pain, du beurre et fromage pour la messe." Shopwoman: "Pour la messe! Mon Dieu! Quel religion!"

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GERMANY AND A SEPARATE PEACE

(Special to The Daily News.)

Amsterdam, April 25.—Germany is now making further efforts to adjust matters with the United States. It appears that the efforts to obtain a separate peace with Russia have subsided. Count Reventlow said that the government seems again to be setting its hopes towards the United States.

JAMES W. GERARD MAKES DISCLOSURE

Boston, April 19.—To show the "deep hatred" which Germany has held against the United States, former Ambassador James W. Gerard last night disclosed facts which he said had been kept from the American people during the past two and a half years.

He was the principal speaker at a national defence dinner given by the Pilgrim Publicity Association. Mr. Gerard said that Admiral von Tirpitz, in thinly-veiled statements, and the Reichstag and the Prussian Parliament, in open discussion, had proposed the institution of unrestricted submarine warfare against Britain with the intention, "when England should be subdued by hunger, to come over to the United States and collect the price of the war from us."

"I want to tell you," Mr. Gerard added, "that if we had not gone into this war Germany would have fulfilled her intention to come over here afterwards and attack us, and would have done so almost with the applause of the rest of the world. I can tell you also that everything consistent with honor was done to keep us out of the war. Beyond that, I am sure, none would have us go."

The former Ambassador expressed his belief that citizens of German descent in the United States would prove loyal, but he added, "if they do not stand with us, I think we know where to fessoon them."

CASH FOR THE ALLIES

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, April 25.—Great Britain has received the sum of \$200,000,000 from the United States, as her first contribution towards meeting the immediate needs of the Allies.

WAR COUNCIL NOW SITS IN WASHINGTON

The French Commission has Now Arrived in United States—Italian Commission to Leave Soon.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Washington, April 25.—The French commission, which has been on its way here for the conference with the American and British government officials, has now arrived safely. The place of the debarkation of the commission has been withheld from the public. The party has not yet arrived in Washington, and all information regarding the movements of the party is being kept secret by the censorship.

The members of the commission from France include ex-Premier Viviani, Marshall Joffre, and Major Dreyfus. Third Assistant Secretary of State Long, Colonel Crosby, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Roosevelt, and Admiral Huse are greeting the French commission.

Tallying Up.

Mr. Balfour and President Wilson, the heads of the Anglo-American conference, have planned to spend today in tabulating the results of their parley. The President and Mr. Balfour deny themselves to all callers, and get down to real business. The outstanding issues are money and food. A final discussion of the international issues will await the arrival of the French commission.

The Duc d'Abuzzi is expected to head an Italian commission, which will be on its way to Washington shortly.

WESTHOLME THEATRE

At the Westholme Theatre tonight, the sixth episode of the great serial, "The Shielding Shadow," will be given. The variety of interest which is excited by the various episodes of this wonderful story without words, is quite extensive. Everyone who has seen the former chapters of this tale will undoubtedly want to see it out. A Pathe Gazette is also on tonight, as well as comedies, of the kind everybody likes. There is a good musical program and taken all round, the bill for tonight's show is one of general interest.

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