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## BRITISH SMASH GERMANS ON WIDE FRONT

### PRISONERS AND GUNS TAKEN IN HEAVY FIGHTING---GERMANS DESTROY LENS

#### ANOTHER BLOW DELIVERED TO THE GERMANS

Heavy Fighting Continues North  
and South of Scarpe River  
—British Continue to  
Gain Ground.

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, May 4.—The British  
have again dealt a blow at the  
Germans over a wide front both  
north and south of the Scarpe  
River.

At the moment of cabling, the  
impression here is that the battle  
is going satisfactorily for the  
British. Prisoners are beginning  
to arrive and more German guns  
have been taken. Heavy fighting  
continues.

**Germans Exhausted.**  
Since the fighting began on the  
ninth, more than thirteen of the  
enemy divisions have been ex-  
hausted on this front alone, yet  
Hindenburg is desperately throw-  
ing fresh units into the field with  
pitiless orders to hold or die. To  
the north of Greenland Hill, to-  
ward Fresnoy, Cherisy and Bulle-  
court, reports indicate that the  
British have gained ground.

**Counter Attacks.**  
At Gavrelle and Loos, the Prus-  
sians are counter attacking fiercely.  
The enemy is in a particular  
frenzy over the British posses-  
sion of these points, because it  
hampers the work of the destruc-  
tion of Lens. That destruction is  
proceeding day and night. The  
Boches also fear for Douai, and  
the remaining portion of the Hin-  
denburg line, which has already  
been partly turned by the advance  
from Arras.

**BRITISH OFFICIAL**  
(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, May 4.—We launched  
an attack all along the front of  
Hindenburg line north of Sensée  
River to Achiet-Vimy Road. Al-  
ready we have taken a number  
of strong positions.

Reuters reports progress made  
in the direction of Fresnoy, Cher-  
isy and Bullecourt. Attack was  
made to gain mastery of positions  
so that British artillery could de-  
vastate fresh troops thrown into  
the fight by the Germans.

**FRENCH OFFICIAL**  
(Special to The Daily News.)  
Paris, May 4.—We repulsed an  
attack in the Champagne region,  
Mont Haut. We reduced an iso-  
lated German position which was  
resisting, capturing garrison of  
239.

**TIT FOR TAT**  
(Special to The Daily News.)  
Rio de Janeiro, May 4.—As Ger-  
many is detaining the Brazilian  
minister, and will not allow him  
to depart from Berlin with his  
suite, Brazil is detaining the Ger-  
man minister.  
The Brazilian Foreign Minister  
Muller has resigned.

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#### GERMAN CHANCELLOR IN DIFFICULTIES

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, May 4.—The German  
Chancellor, von Bethman-Holl-  
weg, is today facing his greatest  
crisis politically. He is under fire  
from the Conservatives, who op-  
pose the electoral reforms and is  
also mistrusted by the Socialists.  
Hindenburg may be his successor.

#### MEATLESS DAYS FOR CANADIANS

Guelph, Ont., May 3.—The lead-  
ing packers of Canada are al-  
ready in touch with the Govern-  
ment urging that steps be taken  
to cope with the serious shortage  
of live stock.  
Professor George Day, of the  
Live Stock Department of the  
Ontario Agricultural College, says  
that he was informed by the man-  
ager of one company that they  
were advocating two meatless  
days a week for Canada.

"When the packers are doing  
that, you may imagine what con-  
ditions are," commented Prof.  
Day.

#### ANOTHER SHIP SUNK

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, May 4.—The British  
steamer Gena, 2784 tons, was  
sunk on the 1st of May by a Ger-  
man seaplane off Aldenborough,  
on the Suffolk coast, England.

#### PALESTINE

(Special to The Daily News.)  
A fierce battle has been raging  
in Palestine. The British have  
ousted the Turks from a very  
strongly entrenched position. The  
British cavalry have initiated very  
successful sorties against the  
Turks in the vicinity of Gaza.

#### CHANGES IN THE REICHSTAG

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Amsterdam, May 4.—Scheid-  
mann, the leader of the regular  
Socialist party has been selected  
head of the Reichstag Committee.  
This step is regarded as very  
significant, as the appointee is  
the man the Government backed  
to make a separate peace with  
Russia. In view of this, his sel-  
lection is considered all the more  
startling.

#### EXPLOSION IN GERMANY

Basle, Switzerland, May 4.—An  
explosion occurred in a powder  
factory in Germany killing 521  
persons.

#### BREAK WITH CHILE

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, May 4.—It is reported  
that the Chilean Minister in Ber-  
lin has requested his passports.

#### IN PERFECT AGREEMENT

Amsterdam, May 4.—According  
to a semi-official statement re-  
ceived from Vienna, perfect agree-  
ment exists between Germany and  
Austria on all questions of peace.

#### GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Full details of the submarine  
menace will be forthcoming very  
shortly, says Lord Northcliffe.  
All particulars already given to  
the United States.  
Germany is concealing her  
losses from the people.  
The Two Billion Liberty Loan  
may be oversubscribed.  
The French Commission is  
leaving Washington for Chicago.



THREE GERMAN AEROPANES IN TWO DAYS

Captain Murlis Green, R. F. C., D. S. O., who brought down three  
Hun aeroplanes in two days, seated on a machine which he strafed.  
It was piloted by a cousin of the Kaiser. The Captain has just  
received the Serbian order of Karageorge.

#### COMPULSORY SERVICE PLANNED FOR CANADA

It was reported in Toronto at  
the beginning of the week, ac-  
cording to the Winnipeg Free  
Press, that the Dominion Gov-  
ernment has decided to put the  
Militia Act into force, and the  
date mentioned was May 15th.

The voluntary system and the  
Government's Canadian Defence  
force have failed to get men, so  
it has been urged that the com-  
pulsory plan is the only scheme  
left by which to get men into  
training at Camp Borden and  
other points this coming summer.  
It was said last night that the  
number aimed at is 50,000.

The Free Press also states that  
Mr. E. R. Chapman, National Ser-  
vice Director, had received no  
official notice when this Toronto  
announcement was read to him.  
He expressed his approval of the  
action. "I am very much pleased  
to hear that the Government is  
taking such a step. It has got to  
come and is what the Directors  
of National Service recommended  
last February. I am surprised  
that the announcement was not  
made before, as we have been ex-  
pecting some such measure. This  
is the only way to get men when  
the voluntary methods have fail-  
ed. The men must come forward  
in greater numbers to replace the  
present wastage."

#### WESTHOLME THEATRE

At the Westholme tonight there  
will be shown a photoplay en-  
titled "A Son of Erin." This is  
a story of a frolicsome young  
Irish lad who comes to America  
in search of fortune. His many  
experiences, hard, bitter and  
sometimes pleasant, are portrayed  
in a striking manner. Acci-  
dents add reality to the silent  
drama and one of the most spec-  
tacular and dramatic episodes  
yet staged is the nerve-shocking  
event that happens in this play.  
It is filled with interesting hap-  
penings and unexpected events—  
one of the most thrilling of which  
startles by its unexpectedness.  
There will be special Irish  
music by the orchestra.

Mr. Seoble left on the steamer  
last night for Victoria on a vaca-  
tion. Mrs. Seoble and family are  
already there.

#### PROMISING FIND BY RUPERT FISHERMEN

A few days ago, the crew of one  
of the many fishing boats making  
Prince Rupert their headquarters,  
picked up a lump of queer look-  
ing substance floating on the sur-  
face of the sea, some miles out.  
They picked it up, and brought it  
to town. It was strange looking  
stuff, and could not very well be  
classified. The consensus of  
opinion was that it was Amber-  
gris.

This curious substance is pro-  
duced by the cachelot, or sperm-  
aceti whale and is very valuable  
in the manufacture of perfumery,  
and in the far East, is largely  
used for flavoring purposes. It  
is generally found floating on the  
sea.

A sample has been despatched  
to one of the largest perfumery  
houses in the East, to have it  
analyzed, and if it is really am-  
bergris, as the men hope, they  
will have found something. Be-  
fore the war it was valued at  
\$20 an ounce, and this piece  
should run to about \$5,000, it is  
said.

#### WHEAT SOARING

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Winnipeg, May 4.—Wheat went  
up to \$3 on the Winnipeg Grain  
Exchange today.

#### TRANSPORT SUNK

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, May 4.—The British  
transport Arcadian was sunk on  
the 15th of April by a German  
submarine. It is believed that  
279 men have been drowned.

#### NOTICE

A meeting of the Mine, Mill and  
Smelter Workers Union will be  
held tonight in room 4, Exchange  
Building, at 8 o'clock. All inter-  
ested are requested to attend.  
GEORGE B. CASEY, Organizer.

#### FISH ARRIVALS

The North Cape has arrived  
with 10,000 pounds of halibut;  
the Myra with 14,000; Avona with  
18,000; Companion, 8,000; Rain-  
ier, 15,000; J. P. Todd, 20,000;  
Thelma, 8,000; Rolfe, 22,000;  
Haysport, 17,000; D. C. F. No. 1,  
12,000, and Royal Kid, 2,000.

#### TROUBLE BETWEEN NORWAY AND GERMANY

(Special to The Daily News.)  
London, May 4.—The relations  
between Norway and Germany are  
rapidly approaching the breaking  
point. In the Norwegian Govern-  
ment circles the opinion prevails  
that the maritime situation is al-  
most intolerable. Norway is try-  
ing to induce Sweden and Den-  
mark to join her in suspending  
all intercourse with Germany, and  
entering the war on the side of  
the Allies.

#### MINING NOTES

The Spanish Mine, Alice Arm  
district, has shipped over two  
hundred tons of high-grade silver  
ore during the winter. The owners  
say that they are well satisfied  
with recent developments.

The Caribou Group owned by  
Miles McDonald is being develop-  
ed steadily, and is reported to be  
showing up well.

The Dolly Varden Mines, Ltd.,  
have a large force of men en-  
gaged in building the railroad  
from their wharf to the mines,  
eighteen miles inland. It is hoped  
to have the road completed early  
this summer in order to get the  
material and machinery in for the  
new mill. The road will be op-  
erated by steam, two twenty-three-  
ton locomotives having been or-  
dered. The prospects of this dis-  
trict look very bright.

The Granby mines at Anyox are  
now running three shifts. A gen-  
eral thaw has now taken place in  
this district and a sufficient  
amount of water is now available  
for power purposes.

Mr. E. E. Campbell, superin-  
tendent, and Mr. J. A. Swanson,  
mine foreman of the Granby  
mines, went south on the Princess  
Maquinn Sunday.

Mr. J. E. Purcell, general super-  
intendent of the Consolidated  
Mines, Rossland, was recently ex-  
amining properties for his com-  
pany in the Portland Canal dis-  
trict.

Construction work of the mill  
and power plant at Surf Inlet is  
now being rushed. It is hoped  
to have the mill in operation  
early in the summer, and active  
mining will then commence on a  
large scale.

#### ALASKA TIMBERS FOR MINE PROPS

Washington, That mine tim-  
bers of white spruce, Sitka spruce,  
white birch, and western hemlock  
grown on the Chugach National  
Forest, Alaska, are fully as good  
as Douglas fir from the Rocky  
Mountain region as mine timbers  
has been demonstrated by the  
Forest Products Laboratory at  
Madison, Wisconsin.

Tests made to determine the  
suitability of the Alaska trees for  
mine timbers that in bending  
strength developed the four spe-  
cies are from 20 per cent to more  
than 100 per cent stronger than  
lodepole pine, alpin fir, Engle-  
mann spruce, bristle-cone pine,  
and western yellow pine from the  
Rocky Mountain region. All of  
these species are widely used for  
mine timbers and were tested by  
the laboratory.

Sitka spruce, white birch, and  
western hemlock from Alaska  
proved to be considerably higher  
in average strength than Rocky  
Mountain Douglas fir. White  
spruce averaged nearly as well.

#### SUN AND TIDE

Saturday, May 5th.  
Sun rises ..... 5:4 a. m.  
Sun sets ..... 8:12 p. m.  
Low water ..... 6:20 a. m. Ht. 5.7  
High water ..... 12:33 p. m. Ht. 18.1  
Low water ..... 6:13 p. m. Ht. 7.1

#### UNITED STATES TO USE GERMAN SHIPS

(Special to The Daily News.)  
Washington, May 4.—It is ex-  
pected here that seventy-one of  
the seized German and Austrian  
vessels will be ready for use in  
about five months. Many of the  
smaller vessels will be ready in  
less than four months. Extensive  
repairs are necessary in many  
cases and a thorough overhaul  
will be given to each ship.

#### ANOTHER GRASS FIRE

Between eleven and twelve  
o'clock today, the fire department  
were called upon on the outbreak  
of fire in the dry grass and brush  
near Akerberg, Thomson & Co.'s  
machine shop. No damage was  
done and the fire department  
quickly had the matter in hand.

#### THE POLICE COURT

At the police court this morn-  
ing, before Magistrate Carss, the  
case was resumed against three  
men charged with doing damage  
to property. One of the men  
pleaded guilty and was fined \$10  
and \$5 for damage. A second  
charge was preferred, which was  
dismissed. A severe reprimand  
was administered by the Magis-  
trate.

#### THE CAMPAIGN IN EAST AFRICA

London, May 3.—"The present  
rainy season is the wettest expe-  
rienced in German East Africa in  
the past nine years and all active  
operations on a large scale are  
perforce suspended," says an of-  
ficial statement issued yesterday.

"In the Kilwa area and espe-  
cially in the Matandu Valley there  
has been considerable patrol ac-  
tivity. Recently a small patrol  
of our West Africa troops suc-  
cessfully ambushed an enemy  
force of two companies."

"In the Rufuji area, a large  
German hospital, established for  
a considerable time at Mragan-  
gaya, between the Samani arm of  
the Rufuji, and the main stream,  
was surrendered to us by its com-  
mandant, who invoked the Geneva  
convention on account of the  
flooding of the site and the lack  
of food, on the eighth. The 62  
Germans and 110 native patients  
who remained, are being cared  
for."

#### UNIFORM TYPE OF POLICY FOR SOLDIERS

New York, May 1.—Representa-  
tives of life insurance companies  
have declined to recommend a  
uniform type of policy for insur-  
ing men entering the army and  
navy. The flat charge of \$37.50  
a year, for each \$1,000 of war  
risks insurance, in addition to  
the regular premium, is advocated  
for the present. This, however,  
would apply only to those who  
took out policies at the time of  
entering the service or within 31  
days thereafter. Among the re-  
commendations was:

The military clause shall cover  
the entire period of military or  
naval service in time of war, if  
commenced within five years of  
the register date.

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