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ALBERTA RETURNS LIBERAL GOVERNMENT

ALL CABINET MINISTERS GET LARGE MAJORITIES — NO COALITION AT OTTAWA

SMASHING BLOW STRUCK ON THE BELGIAN FRONT

ATTACK MADE ON A NINE-MILE FRONT TAKES FIRST OBJECTIVES—TANKS IN THICK OF FIGHT—MANY PRISONERS TAKEN—GERMAN TRENCHES ARE BLOWN UP

(Special to The Daily News.)

London, June 8.—The British troops under General Haig opened an offensive this morning on the Messine and Wytchaete Ridge in Belgium on a nine-mile front. The first objectives were taken everywhere and further progress is satisfactory. More than a thousand German prisoners are already counted and further numbers continue to reach the collecting stations. This new offensive is three miles south of Ypres.

The fighting is still in progress. The rush of the British carried them across the Messine Wytchaete Ridge, and they are entrenching now. Over one million pounds of explosives were used to blow up the foremost German positions. Twenty per cent more guns were in operation preparatory to the advance than were used in the Battle of Arras. The trench positions all the way from Observation Ridge, southeast of Ypres, to Ploegstreet Wood, north of Armentieres, were also captured. The tanks were in the thick of the fighting. The British naval air planes dropped bombs on the German aerodrome near the coast between Zeebrugge and Ostend. The British machines returned safely.

French Front.

Paris, June 8.—In the region to the northwest of St. Quentin a strong force of Germans attempted a midnight raid over our lines on a front of six hundred yards. The raid was repulsed. To the north of Chemin des Dames heavy artillery fighting continues.

Berlin Report.

Berlin, June 8.—Yesterday we took the French positions on a front of one and a quarter miles along Chemin des Dames. Early today, the battle in Flanders flared up in a most extensive explosion, and violent drum fire.

Italian Front.

Rome, June 8.—The Italian troops forced back the Austrians on the Trentino front. On the sector above Trieste the Austrians were heavily reinforced, and violent attacks were made, which were repulsed.

Mons Fined.

Amsterdam, June 8.—The city of Mons has been fined in the sum of twenty thousand pounds because the Belgian newspapers published in Holland announced that Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria was in Mons when the Allied airmen bombarded the city.

BRAZIL GETS READY

(Special to The Daily News.)

Rio de Janeiro, June 8.—The Government has issued a decree for the formation of the first section of coast artillery. The decree also calls for an opening credit of 870,000,000 reis to be expended on armament and war materials.

LIBERAL VICTORY IN ALBERTA

(Special to The Daily News.)

Calgary, June 8.—The election of members to the provincial House held throughout the province yesterday has resulted in the return of thirty-eight Liberals and eighteen Conservatives. All the members of the cabinet have been returned. All members at present with the forces were returned by acclamation.



SIR LOMER GOUIN

Premier of Quebec, who is mentioned in Parliamentary circles in Ottawa as a possible Cabinet Minister, should a coalition Government be formed.

FILIPINOS OFFER SERVICES TO U. S.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Washington, June 8.—A force of twenty-five thousand Filipinos was offered to President Wilson yesterday for service in the war against Germany, by Manuel Quezon, president of the Philippine Senate.

Oversubscribed.

The Government's latest offering of two hundred millions in treasury certificates of indebtedness has been oversubscribed.

Shipping Experts Arrive.

British shipping experts under Secretary Salter and Thomas Royden have arrived in Washington safely.

A New Tax.

A new tax of two cents on all bank cheques and drafts is expected to raise ten millions.

ROUMANIAN ARMY NOW REORGANIZED

Jassy, Roumania, June 6.—Roumania's national feast was celebrated with enthusiasm behind the front. The correspondent visited various districts where the new army has been reorganized and was astonished at the quick recovery of the much-tried troops. The units visited were those placed under the severest ordeal in the autumn campaign, and since exposed to pestilence during the winter. It would be almost impossible to guess they were the same troops. They are longing to be sent, as soon as possible, to the front. The enemy will have to face a new army adequately equipped and seasoned and imbued with deep hatred for the invaders of their homes.



OBJECTIVE OF THE ITALIANS.—Street scene in Trieste, the objective of the Italian forces in their present offensive against the Austrians. Each day brings General Cadorna's army nearer to the city.

THE CITIZENS AND SHIPBUILDING

There was a well attended meeting held in the council chamber of the city hall last evening. The meeting was a public one, and included the committees from the Board of Trade and from the city council who have been appointed to endeavor to find out the cause of the inactivity of the drydock plant here. The attendance showed the interest of the citizens in this matter. The mayor presided, and it was decided to ask the Trades and Labor Council to appoint delegates to the joint committee.

There was a general discussion on the question and the consensus of opinion seemed to be that the C. P. R. and the present Dominion Government were apparently placing obstacles in the way of anything being developed in Prince Rupert. The meeting was a very representative one of the city, and there were many speakers.

STAMPEDE TO NEW DIGGINGS IN ALASKA

Seattle, June 7.—Information has been received here by Capt. Louis Khadlich, president of the Kuskokwin Fishing and Trans. Co., that gold has been discovered in paying quantities, at the head of Goodnews River, Behring Sea. From all indications that part of Alaska is to have another good gold camp. The stampede meantime will be confined to the miners in the Alaska districts tributary to the Behring Sea. The new camp is difficult to reach from the "outside." It is named Quinhagak.

An old miner of Nome, called A. Gabrielson, has been prospecting at the head of the Goodnews river for the last fifteen years. He struck gold last summer and with the help of two eskimos, washed out \$800 in eight days, according to Capt. Knaflich, who also reports that the Must ran \$18.50 to the ounce. Supplies, machinery and other equipment are already en route to Goodnews Bay, to which there is as yet no passenger service. The captain is taking up his new power schooner Eunice, which he will operate between Goodnews Bay and Bethel.

All the old timers of Bethel, on the Kuskokwin are preparing to stampede to Quinhagak, according to a letter received recently, and a number from the Canyon Creek diggings will also join in.

ASK A REORGANIZED MUNITIONS BOARD

Ottawa, June 7.—The conference of labor leaders held here decided to take definite action in regard to certain allegations which delegates have lodged against the Imperial Munitions Board by forwarding to the 1,700 local unions and other labor organizations represented a request that endorsements be given to a demand for the reorganization of the Board on the basis of equal representation of labor with the employing interests. The unions are asked that the demand and the endorsement be forwarded by them to Sir Robert Borden and to the Federal member representing the constituency in which they happen to be located.

The unions will be supplied with a list of eight specific complaints that the conference has decided can be lodged against the Imperial Munitions Board. Summarized, they deal with the Board's alleged hostile attitude toward organized labor; violation of sanitary requirements and negligence of the protection of the health of the employees in camp and plant construction; wage lowering and elimination of the eight-hour day and the introduction of 10, 12 and 14-hour days and seven-day weeks; unnecessary dilution of labor by women; non-maintenance of the same wage standards for male and female labor; substitution of cheap semi-skilled labor from rural districts for construction work; refusal to recognize trades union representatives in determining wages and hours of contracts, and challenging of trades union officials to obtain reasonable conditions by use of their own power instead of through negotiations which would result in strikes.

A FAREWELL DANCE

On Wednesday evening, the citizens of Hazelton gave a farewell dance upon the occasion of the departure of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Allen to take up their residence at Prince Rupert. Mr. and Mrs. Allen had been in Hazelton for some four years and were deservedly popular. Mr. Allen was always active in matters of public welfare, and in sports.

During the course of the evening the citizens presented their departing townspeople with a handsome cabinet of cutlery as a token of their regard. Mr. James E. Kirby and Mr. H. B. Little made the presentation.

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CATHOLIC BAZAAR WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

The second and last evening of the Bazaar got up by the ladies of the Catholic Church proved to be as successful as the first night. There was a very good attendance last night, notwithstanding the inclement weather, and everyone enjoyed the proceedings thoroughly.

In the course of the evening another musical programme was given, which was very much enjoyed. The children of the school took an active part, and their various numbers were excellently rendered. A dialogue by Masters Wendal Murphy and John Barton was very much enjoyed. A number of the little ones rendered an action song, and later a French song with great eclat. The accompanist was Master Aubrey Sweet. Piano solos were also given by Miss Winnifred Flitton and Master Sweet. On the previous evening, the items given on the musical programme consisted of a pianoforte solo by Miss Lorna Tite, a song by Master Kermit McDonald, and a piano duet by Misses Lorna Tite and Flora Burritt. Miss Rita McLean and Miss Margate Palmer gave recitations and Miss Agnes Gratton gave pianoforte selections, while Master Aubrey Sweet accompanied very well also. Several choruses were also given, which were of a high excellence. Altogether, the musical education of the young folks speaks very highly of their teachers.

Later each evening, the Westholme Orchestra attended and rendered splendid orchestral selections. Last evening, the drawings took place. They were many and valuable. The grand drawing prizes consisted of a gold watch, a leather chair, a \$20 gold piece, a Royal Doulton tea set, and one ton of coal. The list of all the prizes, the donors and the winners will be published later.

U. S. WARSHIPS IN FRANCE

(Special to The Daily News.)

Paris, June 8.—A large American transport loaded with wheat for the American army, which is following, crossed the Atlantic under the protection of American warships. The transport is now unloading at a French port. A French official announcement says that United States warships are now anchored off the French coast.

Just arrived, 250 tons of lump coal. Phone 116—Albert & McCaffery.

COALITION IS FINALLY DISPOSED OF

Proposal Has Not Been Accepted By Liberals—The Policy of Borden Govt. is Said to be the Cause.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, June 8.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier will not join in a coalition government. He cannot see his way to join the government on the terms proposed. The conscription policy of Sir Robert Borden is said to be the stumbling block.

Sir Robert Borden was endorsed at the party caucus today.

Notwithstanding the attitude of Sir Wilfrid, the Government will go ahead with coalition, and an attempt will be made to form a Unionist Government, giving representation to Conscriptionist Liberals. The Government expect to have a conscription majority of at least thirty-five.

Sir Robert Borden will table his conscription proposals this week.

RUSSIAN SITUATION IS NOW IMPROVING

(Special to The Daily News.)

Petrograd, June 8.—The riots of the soldiers have now subsided. The garrison at the fortress of Kronstadt have now submitted and recognize the authority of the Provisional Government. All the trouble is now over.

A New Adviser.

General Alexieff has been appointed military adviser to the Russian Provisional Government.

SCANDINAVIAN RIOTS

(Special to The Daily News.)

Stockholm, June 8.—Serious labor riots have taken place here. The gatherings of Swedish workmen were charged fiercely by the police and soldier guards. Several have been wounded. The workmen demand shorter hours and higher wages.

Christiania, June 8.—Demonstrations were made throughout Norway yesterday against the high cost of living.

GERMAN SUBMARINE SUNK

(Special to The Daily News.)

Paris, June 8.—The armed American steamer, Silver Shell, had a battle in the Mediterranean with a German submarine. After an exchange of sixty shots, the submarine disappeared. It is supposed to have sunk.

STRIKE IN GERMANY

(Special to The Daily News.)

Geneva, June 8.—Five thousand German workmen have quit work at Esch. They are demanding an increase in wages.

Privates Gilmour, Singleton and Richmond are expected to arrive back again in Prince Rupert tonight, having been returned from the front.

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