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BRITISH MAKE A BIG ADVANCE FROM YPRES

THE ATTACK PROCEEDS SUCCESSFULLY...OSTEND BOMBARDED BY NAVAL FORCE

YPRES ATTACK RESUMED ON A WIDE FRONT

British Advance From One to Two Thousand Yards—Attack is Reported to be Making Good Progress.

(Special to The Daily News).
London, Sept. 26.—(British official). We attacked this morning on a wide front northeast and west of Ypres. Attack reported making good progress. British have advanced from one to two thousand yards on northern half of battlefield. A terrific struggle in progress astride the Ypres-Commin road. The Germans are being pushed out of many important positions. A Reuters dispatch says that the Germans have been pushed from the high ground east of Ypres. The German positions were strongly fortified, and were assailed by the British in full force.

French Official.
Paris, Sept. 26.—Intense artillery fighting prevails on the Verdun front.

Counter Attacks.
London, Sept. 27.—General Bag reports two powerful counter attacks by the German forces between Ypres and the coast. Hand to hand fighting was fiercely engaged in, and the enemy were finally repulsed. They had obtained a foothold in the British lines, but were successfully ejected.

Ostend Bombarded.
London, Sept. 27.—The British naval forces bombarded the German base at Ostend. Two German aeroplanes were shot down, and extensive damage caused to the defences and other places of military importance.

U. S. Merchant Marine.
Washington, Sept. 27.—The shipping board announced today that within little more than a year, the United States will have an ocean going merchant fleet of sixteen hundred vessels, of nine million, two hundred thousand tons.

MR. AXEL GARTLAND DIED THIS MORNING

The many friends of Mr. Axel Gartland, of Fifth Avenue, East, will learn with regret of his death, which happened this morning at 6:45. Mr. Gartland is one of Prince Rupert's old timers. He has been here since the early construction days. He had been suffering from diabetes for some considerable time, and some weeks ago he made a visit to the United States for special advice. He was not long back from this visit when his condition got worse.

Deceased leaves a wife and two children, to whom the sympathy of the community will go out. The funeral arrangements are in the hands of the B. C. Undertakers, and the interment will take place on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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THE GERMAN PROBLEM OF WAR ON TWO FRONTS

While the booming of the cannon and the multiplication of aerial encounters are resumed the fundamental dilemma of the German Command may be recalled. It is the old dilemma that faced them at the outset, and is now becoming of a desperate urgency—the demands of the war on two fronts. On the west, where two-thirds of their forces are held, they are no longer able to attempt a considerable offensive, but are equally unable to avoid the wastage of continual small actions that give them no useful results. A fortnight's bad weather, which could not be anticipated, has helped to make it possible for them to remove a body of troops—probably amounting to seven good divisions, including the Prussian Guard—from France to the east for an effort to take advantage of another bit of luck, the disorders in the Russian army. There are signs that this luck is giving out and that the short offensive is already arrested, but however that may be, it is certain that the bad weather in France will not last forever. Then the seven divisions will have to be brought back. They have made a small bulge in the immensity of the Russian front, but nothing of a decisive character has been accomplished; indeed, if the Russians, as seems possible, are roused to their former strength the general cause of the Allies will only have gained. And then with somewhat weakened and discouraged forces Hindenburg will have to turn back to the field where the long account must be paid.

It is foolish either to overestimate or to underestimate the enemy's power. It is still considerable, although a large part of it could not be put on the front all pretty completely under the German thumb. It is a formidable facade. I need not count up the overwhelming large numbers the Allies can range against it. Already the facade is cracked and undermined. The material of the German armies in France—and these are the best of them all—shows a marked deterioration. The Strosstruppen were an ingenious if also a desperate invention. But as soon as their methods were known they ceased to be alarming, and after three exhausting years the French Poilu daily proves his superiority. It must not be supposed that the Boche has no new tricks in his pocket. It is enough that in all the main factors of warfare the balance swings more and more decidedly against him.

A French View of the German Army.

The "Revue des Deux Mondes" publishes an article giving detailed information on the present situation of the German army after the battles of Verdun and the Somme. The writer says:—The Germans recognized that their superiority was lost, and were anxious to recover it. Therefore, from the beginning of 1917 a programme was decided upon involving the creation of 30 new divisions and a new German defensive system—namely, the famous Hindenburg line. The German High Command furthermore neglected no steps to raise the moral of their troops. The Anglo-French offensive of April to June swept away all this colossal effort of the Germans. They were claiming that by their retreat in March they had put it out of the power of the Allies to attack for months. Less than three weeks afterwards our offensive began. The Germans boasted of impreg-



DUKE OF CONNAUGHT VIEWS WAR PICTURES.—This photograph shows the Duke of Connaught on a recent visit to the Canadian official pictures of the war, which are on exhibition in Grafton Gallery, London.

SUBS ATTACK IN MASSES FORMATION

An Atlantic Port of the United States, Sept. 25.—Passengers who arrived here from England today on an American steamship bring circumstantial reports that five British steamships and two destroyers out of a convoy fleet which left Lough Swilly, Ireland, September 3, were sunk by German submarines within a few hours of the port of departure. The story was told among others by shipwrecked seamen who were survivors of other submarined vessels and by an officer of the merchant ship who had been in Lough Swilly.

The five vessels, it was said, convoyed by destroyers, put to sea after midnight and they were attacked by massed submarines the following morning at daylight. News of the disaster was learned when the destroyers which had escaped put back to port bringing survivors of the torpedoed merchantmen and war vessels.

"The closest secrecy was immediately thrown about the incident," the merchant ship officer said. "The survivors were given positive instructions to say nothing about it and no details as to the names of the ships or the extent of loss of life could be learned. It was reported that one and possibly two of the U-boats were sunk by the destroyers.

Losses Reduced.
Washington, Sept. 25.—Convoying of merchant ships by the American and British naval vessels has materially reduced submarine losses, it was said today officially at the Navy Department.

Some navy officials believe that the massed attack by six German submarines on the convoyed merchant ships just reported, of which the American tanker Westwego was one, indicates a change in tactics by the German Admiralty. British and American naval strategists, however, are working out a method of meeting massed attacks.

It was said officially also that absolutely no information of any character had been received indicating that the submarines would be employed upon this side of the Atlantic.

The sale of home-cooking to be held in the Red Cross tent, third Avenue, tomorrow will be under the charge of Mrs. C. L. Monroe and Mrs. W. E. Williams.

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CANADA'S RAILROAD POLICY OUTLINED

Ottawa, Sept. 26.—While no official intimation has been given by the government, it is understood that when the Canadian Northern Railway stock is acquired by the government there will be a reorganization of the board of management. It is likely that Sir William Mackenzie, Sir Donald Mann, and Mr. R. J. Mackenzie will retire. D. R. Hanna will remain on the board, and in all probability will be asked to act as general manager of the new system. The general operating staff will not be interfered with.

Sir Robert Borden, in a recent speech, outlined his views as to what he considered the best way of handling the railway situation in the future. He proposed cooperative management in order to prevent duplication in capital expenditure, and to reduce operating expenses. He intimated that this will be the government's railway policy for the coming election, the plan to be worked out by the next parliament.

He did not go into detail, but it is understood the plan is to have a board of experts representing at least the Intercolonial, the National Transcontinental, Canadian Northern, all of which are now government roads; the Grand Trunk Pacific, which is being assisted by the government, and may also be taken over, and the Grand Trunk. This board will co-ordinate the operation and expenditure of the various lines in order to effect the greatest possible economy. The C. P. R. will probably not be included. Under its own management it is already one of the most efficient roads in the world, and will continue along its present lines. The other roads will act together under one system.

WESTHOLME THEATRE

Tonight at the Westholme you will see "My Best Girl." The best girl usually reflects the good taste of her possessor and in this instance, the play reflects great credit on its producers and the artists. Metro plays are among the best that are produced, and this comedy-drama is among the best of the Metro plays. The story is a delightful one, in which all will be interested, although it is sometimes dangerous to become too much interested in someone else's "best girl." However, there is little danger in this case. In fact, "My Best Girl" tonight cannot fail to excite the interest of the whole audience. The play will be followed by a Ford Monthly.

PROGRESS OF THE NEW FISH PACKING PLANT

Rapid progress is being made with the construction of the new fish packing plant at Seal Cove. The wharf, with an approach of one hundred feet has been finished and the construction of the buildings is well under way.

Concrete piles had to be driven to bear the weight of the building which will contain the large steel tanks for the immersion of the fish under the new process. These tanks will contain brine at different low temperatures. The fish will be immersed in each tank for a specified time, each tank having a different brine and a different temperature. At the conclusion of the process, the fish are hard and stiff, but not frozen.

They come out of the last tank glazed in such a manner as to exclude the atmosphere from the skin of the fish. In this manner they will keep fresh as the day they were immersed for two weeks.

The success of this new process of handling fish will be watched with extreme interest, as it will revolutionize the fish packing industry on this coast. The superiority of fresh fish over frozen is marked, and as no ice is used in packing under this new process, the fish are said to retain their fresh flavor to a much greater extent. With Pacific fish retaining their fresh caught flavor after transportation to the East, a greater demand may be looked for in these markets for Pacific fish, which will give the industry a greater impetus. This new process will not be restricted to halibut, but all kinds of fish will be handled. This process will create a demand for the many varieties of fish which at present the fishermen can find no market, but which they get on their hooks just the same. Instead of being thrown away as at present, whoever can utilize these varieties of foodstuffs, and put them on the market at a cheap price, will perform a National Service.

NEW GERMAN PARTY HOLDS FIRST MEETING

(Special to The Daily News.)

Copenhagen, Sept. 27.—The new German Fatherland Party held its first open meeting in Berlin last night. Enormous crowds attended, and numerous government officials were also present. Duke Johann Albrecht of Mecklenberg Schwerin opened the meeting, at which the Admiral von Tirpitz was the principal speaker.

BRITISH AIRMEN BROKE UP HUN AIR SQUADRONS

Exploding Bombs Killed Six and Injured Sixteen in South London During Second Aeroplane Raid.

(Special to The Daily News).

London, Sept. 27.—The second raid made upon the city of London in two days by the German aeroplanes resulted in the killing of six persons and serious injuries to sixteen more. In this instance the raiders were repulsed at the outskirts of the city, only two bombs being reported dropped in the southeastern districts. The attack in this second raid was made by two squadrons approaching from different directions. The British airmen rose to meet the invaders and broke up the formation of the enemy squadrons, and prevented them making any further progress over the city. No details of any material damage have been reported.

NEWS FROM THE UNITED STATES

(Special to The Daily News).

Washington, Sept. 27.—The coal miners T. G. T. have presented a demand for an increase in wages of from twenty to seventy per cent on the present existing rates.

The Texas Governor.
Austin, Texas, Sept. 27.—Ferguson has been declared removed from the governorship of the state and he has been barred from holding any other public office in Texas.

Money Bills.
Washington, Sept. 27.—The Senate has passed a bill for ten billions to be loaned to the Allies. The deficiency appropriations bill for eight billions has been also passed.

RETAIL CLERKS HAVE A SPLENDID JAUNT

Yesterday afternoon, taking full advantage of the half holiday, the retail clerks boarded the Alice B. and set off out on the briny. The course of their trip took them round Kaien Island, and the scenic beauties were much enjoyed. The party was a merry one, and some of the nimrods, seeing that the hunter's moon had begun, had taken the precaution of bringing guns along, just in case anything should show up. Nothing did transpire, however, worthy of record, but any game between Zanardi and Shawatlans must have been sore afraid, judging by the noise.

When the party returned at 6 p. m., an automobile was waiting to transfer the bag. No bag being available, however, the automobile was utilized to convey the party to their respective homes. Every one agreed that they had had a splendid afternoon.

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A smoker will be held in the Carpenters' Hall on Friday night at 8 o'clock. All handlers of the tools are entitled to be present; contractors included. 228.

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