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UNION GOVERNMENT BEEN FORMED AT LAST

BRITISH ADVANCE AT YPRES ON 6-MILE FRONT -- HUNS ATTACK FRENCH LINES

OFFENSIVE IS CONTINUED IN OCEAN OF MUD

British Pressing Enemy on Front of Six Miles in Flanders—Progress Being Made Satisfactorily.

(Special to The Daily News.)
London, Oct. 13.—The British troops in Flanders have attacked the Germans on a front of six miles northeast of Ypres. The offensive is reported to be making satisfactory progress. Very heavy rain fell during the night, converting the already sodden ground into an ocean of mud.

French Front.
Paris, October 12.—Last night was marked by great artillery activity and by a series of German efforts at various points on our front. Three distinct German attacks were made with the object of capturing the ground in Aubervie and Souain regions failed. On the right bank of the Meuse on the Verdun front artillery fighting continues in the region of Bezonvaux.

Cuts Holland Off.
Amsterdam, October 13.—Great Britain has stopped all commercial cable communication with Holland until such time as the Netherlands Government places an absolute restriction upon the transit of sand, gravel and meats through Holland from Germany to Belgium.

Terror in Alsace-Lorraine.
Paris, Oct. 13.—Fresh evidence is coming to hand every day of the German campaign of terrorization which they have been carrying out in Alsace and Lorraine. Since the beginning of hostilities, the German courts-martial sitting in the annexed provinces have inflicted sentences totalling five thousand years' imprisonment upon the citizens of these two provinces, whose sole offence has been the expression of opinions favorable to France.

Russian Front.
Petrograd, Oct. 13.—In Kurdistan, many of the villages of the Kurds have been taken, and the enemy have been driven to the banks of the Great Zoz River, many Syrian captives have been released and are being taken care of by our troops. Germans in the enemy ranks wanted to fraternize with the Russian troops.

Demobilizing.
The demobilization of the superfluous troops attached to the Russian army has begun. The classes of 1894-95 are being sent home. The Workmen's and Soldiers' Council have requested M. Nitkii, Minister of the Interior, to leave the Government, as he fails to reflect the ideals of the Workmen's and Soldiers' organization.

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RAIDER SEA ADLER IS WRECKED IN SOUTH SEAS

Washington, October 10.—Two German commerce raiders, manned by the crew of the famous Sea Adler, which it now develops stranded on Mopeha Island in the South Pacific, after roaming the seas for seven months preying on American and allied shipping, are operating somewhere in the South Seas, according to a report received tonight at the Navy Department from the commander of the naval station at Tutuila, Samoan Islands.

The despatch, transmitting the story of Captain Hador Smith of the American schooner C. Slade, one of the Sea Adler's victims, was sent on September 29, several weeks after the two now raiders left Mopeha Island, where they had been captured by the Germans. The first put to sea on August 24, and the other on September 5, and it probably was their operations which led to recent reports of raiders in the Pacific.

Before coming to grief on August 2 the Sea Adler had added the American schooners A. B. Johnson, Manila, and Slade to the list of at least twelve allied vessels which she sank early this year in the South Atlantic Ocean. In the long period from last March, when she was last heard from, the raider probably sent down other craft encountered in passing through the Atlantic, around Cape Horn, and crossed the Pacific to the Society group of French islands, of which Mopeha is one.

Sea Adler Total Loss.
The Sea Adler, according to Captain Smith's report, arrived at Mopeha on July 31. Two days later she stranded on the island and was abandoned as a total loss, the master and crew, with twenty-seven white men and seventeen native prisoners, making shore in safety. The company remained there until August 21, when the Sea Adler's master, accompanied by three officers and two men, put to sea in a motor sloop with machine guns, rifles, bombs and about two months' supplies.

The remainder of the crew stayed on the island until Sept. 5, when the French schooner Lutece, bound out of Tahiti, Society Islands, arrived at Mopeha and was seized. The schooner was equipped with machine guns, rifles and bombs, and the Germans immediately put to sea in her. The Sea Adler's prisoners, of whom Captain Smith was one, were left on the almost desolate island, but on September 13th, Smith and three others of the prisoners departed in an open boat and reached Tutuila ten days later. Smith reported the prisoners badly in need of food and water.

"SMITHIE" COMES BACK

When the Prince George pulled into the wharf this morning about ten o'clock, a familiar face with unfamiliar clothes was seen at the rail. It was "Smithie" in the uniform of a United States soldier. Mr. W. C. Smith used to be private secretary to Mr. W. C. C. Mehan, general superintendent of the G. T. P. here, but the minute the United States declared war, he was off to join the forces of his country. "Smithie" is a blythe spirit, and Prince Rupert has been duller since his departure. His genial smile absolutely lit up the wharf this morning. "I've come home, boys," were his first words. And Prince Rupert looked good to him.

He will only be here for a day or two, when he will leave for the East.



CAPTURED BUT CONTENTED—A HUN OFFICER PRISONER
This young officer was among the Germans captured by the Canadians during the fighting for Hill 70. Judging from his expression, the officer in question appears to be more contented with his lot, and to have no regrets at leaving the struggle behind.

GERMAN AIRMAN THREW WREATH FOR BROTHER

Behind the British Lines in France, Oct. 11.—A German aeroplane was brought down in the British lines a few days ago after a battle lasting nearly an hour. The next morning a German machine came hovering over the same spot and manoeuvred for a position. It was promptly attacked, but returned to the German lines after dropping overboard something which was seen to fall near an evacuated village.

Two British soldiers who were sent to find out what had been dropped returned with a beautiful wreath nearly three feet in diameter. To the wreath was attached a note asking the British airmen to place it on the grave of the dead pilot. "The officer you have buried was my brother," said the note. "I spent six happy years working in a London bank. I know you honor the dead. Please do this little service for me."

The wreath was deposited as requested on the grave of the dead German airman.

TOOK LOTS OF TIME

San Francisco, Oct. 12.—Two letters, mailed ten and fifty years ago, respectively, were returned to Postmaster Chas. W. Fay here today by the postal authorities at Liverpool, England, with the comment that the addressees could not be located.

The annual general meeting of the Prince Rupert branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society was held last evening in the Court House. His Honor Judge Young was elected president for the ensuing year; Mrs. R. L. MacIntosh, vice-president; Mr. John Conway, secretary; Mrs. Woodland, treasurer; Mrs. Clancy, superintendent of supplies, with Mrs. Dawson as assistant. The total sum collected for the Red Cross for the past year amounted to \$7,000, making about \$16,000 altogether since the war began.

AUSTRIAN SOLDIERS WHIPPED TO ACTION

Italian Headquarters, Oct. 11.—The last Italian advance is memorable for the rapidity with which it was accomplished, the quantity of booty seized, and the importance of the positions won. The mountain conquered is surmounted by five peaks each 2,500 feet high and forming a single rock.

The enemy placed observatories on each of these five tops, from which they were able to observe all the Italians' movements in the valley and the ravine roads leading to the Bainsizza Plateau.

The Italians found the Austrian trenches filled with dead bodies; crossing these, they then pressed two hundred yards forward over the hill-top and reached the caverns where the Austrians had taken refuge. Here they found a quantity of food, wines, liquors, playing cards, bottles of perfume and cigarettes. The Austrian officers were sad, but the younger soldiers were joyful at escaping their danger.

As usual after the occupation of new positions, terrible, furious counter attacks commenced, the Austrian officers horsewhipping their soldiers to induce them to advance. The Italian infantry, however, in their strongly-fortified positions, constitute an almost unbreakable iron barrier.

FISH ARRIVALS

Yesterday, the Director was in port with 11,000 lbs. of halibut; the Cora with 3,000 lbs., and the Ringleader with 6,000 lbs. Their catches were sold for 17½ cents per lb. The stormy weather outside is holding up fishing operations.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Prince Rupert General Hospital will hold their annual ball in the St. Andrew's Hall on October 19. Dancing will commence at 9:30 p. m. The Westholme Orchestra will be in attendance. Admission \$1.00. 237-8-9-3-4 Stephens Block, phone Red 548.

SIR WILFRID AND MILITARY SERVICE

Ottawa, Oct. 6.—One important effect which has already resulted from the announced intention of the Liberal leader to consider placing his resignation in the hands of the party in the interests of national and party unity has been to strengthen his appeal to the extremists of both sides of the conscription and Quebec issues for moderation of views and wise counsels to secure the utmost possible unity of war effort in Canada. The Quebec extremists, who would have Sir Wilfrid come out in favor of the repeal of the military service act, now realize that persistence in that attitude would strengthen Sir Wilfrid's desire to resign the leadership. On the other hand, the difficulties of Sir Wilfrid's position are being made more clear to the strong Liberal conscriptionists, and the danger of the Conservative plan of campaign along racial lines is being emphasized.

Refuses to Promise Repeal.

The Quebec end of the situation is well expressed in an editorial in The Ottawa Citizen today, in part as follows:—"The facts are that a Quebec wing of the Liberal party insist upon the leader agreeing to rescind the conscription measure, and to make this promise to the Quebec element before the election. With anti-conscription as a war cry, the Province, this element asserts, could be swept for the Liberals, but Sir Wilfrid has, according to the best information, absolutely refused to agree to this proposition. He takes the stand that conscription is now the law of the land, that it must be obeyed, and that, come what may, it must stand on the statute books so far as the calling to the colors of the required hundred thousand men is concerned.

Ultimatum to Quebec Wing.

"The Liberal leader has placed his alternative before the Quebec section. If this element will not accept his views he will at once step down. Only on condition that the law as it stands will be respected and obeyed in Quebec will Sir Wilfrid retain the leadership. This ultimatum of the Liberal leader has brought about the present crisis in the fortunes of that party. It is not related in any way to the appointment of certain nominal Liberals to office in the present Administration, and has no reference whatever to Union Government. If the Quebec Liberals fall into line Sir Wilfrid will continue as leader; if not he will abdicate.

Increases Respect for Him.

"The public will be interested in knowing the facts. Sir Wilfrid must be given credit for loyalty to his convictions and respect for the law of the land. His position in this matter must immeasurably increase his influence in all parts of the Dominion outside the Province of Quebec, and even in that part of the country his stand must entitle him to the respect, if not the support of the anti-conscription element. The Citizen has differed with Sir Wilfrid's views of the conscription measure, but recognizes that in the present instance he is showing himself above party influences and that he is prepared to leave political life rather than precipitate confusion, if not worse, in this country by an abuse of power."

ANNOUNCEMENT—for the famous La Camille Corset, phone for appointment. Mrs. Demers, 237-8-9-3-4 Stephens Block, phone Red 548.

FORMATION OF UNION GOVT. IS ACCOMPLISHED

The New Members Include Messrs. Rowell, Sifton, Crerar and Calder—Perley is Now Commissioner.

(Special to The Daily News.)

Ottawa, October 13.—A Union Government has been formed and the following ministers have been sworn in: Premier and Secretary of State for External Affairs, Sir Robert Borden; Minister of Militia, Major General Mewburn; Minister of Overseas Service, Sir Edward Kemp; Minister of Immigration and Colonization, Hon. H. A. Calder, of Saskatchewan; Minister of the Interior, Hon. Arthur Meighen; Minister of Agriculture, Hon. T. A. Crerar, of Manitoba; Minister of Customs, Hon. A. L. Sifton, Premier of Alberta; President of the Privy Council, Hon. Mr. Rowell, of Ontario; Minister of Railways and Canals, the Hon. Mr. Reid, late minister of Customs; Secretary of State and Minister of Mines, Hon. Martin Burrell, late Minister of Agriculture; Minister of Public Works, Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, of Montreal, ex-President of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association; Solicitor General, Hon. Hugh Guthrie.

The Hon. Frank Cochrane goes to the Canadian Northern as Chairman of the Board of Directors, while Sir George Perley becomes Canadian High Commissioner in London.

A Rebuke.

Edmonton, Oct. 13.—The Hon. Frank Oliver's newspaper, the Edmonton Bulletin, rebukes the Liberals who have joined the Borden Cabinet, as Borden's policy has always been to make the rich richer and the poor poorer, which is altogether at variance with the tenets of Liberalism.

The Hon. A. L. Sifton has not yet resigned the premiership of Alberta. The Hon. Mr. Stewart, present Minister of Public Works, is looked upon as likely to form the new Alberta Government.

WESTHOLME THEATRE

Tonight there will be played at the Westholme Theatre a photoplay entitled "The Years of the Locust." Fannie Ward is the star artiste, and she has always been a great favorite in Prince Rupert. "The Years of the Locust" is a play of a very high order and one that will please everyone who sees it. There will be a Travelogue shown also, giving some very fine views, and a good comedy.

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