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THIRTY-FIVE MILE HOLE IN GERMAN LINE

BRITISH MAKE A FIVE-MILE ADVANCE OVER HINDENBURG'S FAMOUS DEFENCES

HINDENBURG LINE BROKEN BY BRITISH NEAR ST. QUENTIN

BRITISH INFANTRY AND TANKS FIGHT FORWARD WITHOUT ANY ARTILLERY PREPARATION—ADVANCE FOR FIVE MILES ON A THIRTY TO FORTY-MILE FRONT—EIGHT THOUSAND PRISONERS

London, Nov. 22.—One of the most important strokes yet delivered against the Germans has been successfully delivered by the British between St. Quentin and the Scarpe river. The famous Hindenburg line has been broken for a distance of some thirty to forty miles.

The attack was made by the Third British army under Sir Julian Byng. The infantry, supported by tanks swept forward without any previous artillery preparation. The Germans were taken completely by surprise, and eight thousand prisoners were taken. Many towns and villages are now in the possession of the British, which previously were considered by the Germans to be impregnable to attack, without first being battered by heavy guns. The casualties suffered by the attacking forces were very light. The greatest advance was made in the direction of Cambrai, and many villages screening this strongly fortified old city have been taken. At one point, the Germans are now fighting on their last line of defence.

The Germans did not receive the usual warning of an attack, as has been customary of late, by any artillery bombardment. Supported by the tanks, the British soldiers simply swarmed over the German trenches before the enemy had any idea of an attack in force and the surprise nature of the attack is responsible chiefly for its success, and also for the slight casualty list.

British Official.

London, Nov. 22.—The Hindenburg line has been broken to a depth of five miles between the Scarpe river and St. Quentin, a distance of thirty-five miles. The whole German line west of the St. Quentin Canal has been captured. There was no artillery preparation, and the Germans were completely taken by surprise. Fighting continues.

Later—Havrincourt and other places have been taken. General Byng, formerly commander of the Canadian troops, was in command of this operation. A great number of tanks moved ahead of the at-

tacking troops, mowing down the German wire, which extended back to a great depth.

Berlin Admissions.

Berlin admits the loss of Marcoing and other of our permanently established positions, but alleges that their reserves stopped the British advance.

Italian Front.

Rome, Nov. 22.—The situation on the Italian front remains unchanged. It is reported that the Austrians have agreed to spare Venice, where no defence is to be made.

Russians Recalled.

London, Nov. 22.—It is reported that 800 people have been killed in the riots in Petrograd. Ukrainian troops to the number of 360,000 are said to have been recalled from the front, possibly opening part of the Russian front to the enemy.

IMPOSSIBLE TO RAISE RATIONS IN GERMANY

Copenhagen, Nov. 21.—The German food ministry, in replying to a petition from workmen in the Solingen district, declares it is impossible to increase the potato ration of one pound daily, because it is doubtful if the original great expectations as to the size of the potato crop are to be realized. Although the potato crop undoubtedly is good this year, it would seem that the German authorities have exaggerated the crop returns. The oats crop is so poor that German farmers will be permitted to retain for the feeding of their own horses only enough for fodder and grain of their own raising to give each horse a daily ration of two pounds. The farmers must accomplish their heavy work as best they can with underfed animals.

COST OF LIVING IS STILL INCREASING

Ottawa, Nov. 21.—An increase in the average cost of a family budget of staple foods owing to the higher prices for meat, eggs and dairy produce, is shown in the monthly report of the Department of Labor. At the middle of October a list of 30 foods cost \$11.81, as compared with \$11.65 in September, \$9.30 in October last year, and \$7.98 in October, 1914. In wholesale prices the department index number declined slightly in October owing to the lower prices for fruits, vegetables, metals and coke although textiles, meats, fish and dairy products prices showed an upward tendency.

BELGIAN WOMEN HAVE TO WORK UNDER FIRE

British front in Belgium, Nov. 21.—Belgian women and girls are being compelled to build concrete dugouts under artillery fire. The statement that this form of slavery has actually been practised is recorded in the diary of a German soldier who was recently captured. He belonged to a landwehr division, and was personally in charge of a large number of these unfortunate Belgians, who were daily herded together and taken to a zone near the German lines to perform manual labor of the hardest kind, in constant danger of death.

New fancy-work novelties.—Wallace's.

FINLAND CONTROLLED BY THE SOCIALISTS

Stockholm, Nov. 21.—Advices received here from Finland say that the entire country is in control of the Socialists, who are supported by armed workers and Russian Bolshevik soldiers. Only the trains carrying provisions are permitted to operate. The revolutionists have instituted a strict censorship over the telegraph lines.

A Socialist workman has been appointed commandant of Tornea and a former swindler has been put in charge of the Tornea railway station. The streets are patrolled by workmen bearing arms given them by Russian soldiers. Bloody conflicts are reported from Abo between the rebels and the law-abiding population.

Oskari Tokoi, who has been entrusted with the task of forming an All-Socialist cabinet, spent ten years in America, working as a goldsmith. Tokoi was regarded before the Russian revolution as an especially moderate Socialist, but he has steadily become more radical.

TRAFFIC ON RAILWAY STILL INTERRUPTED

Conditions on the Skeena river have not improved sufficiently to permit of the resumption of railroad traffic. The telegraph lines are still down. The trouble is confined chiefly between Kwinitsa and Amshury, a distance roughly of about forty miles. On account of the floods caused by the Skeena overflowing its banks, it is impossible to get into this stretch of line, and little can be done until the high waters subside.

The slide at Inverness has proved to be a more serious one than at first anticipated, and rather than wait till the cut has been cleared out, which was filled in by the debris brought down, the railroad track has been diverted for some distance. This is now about completed.

Little is known of conditions existing east of Kwinitsa and how much trouble will be experienced in repairing the line over this forty-mile stretch.

AUSTRIA THREATENED BY RACIAL UPHEAVAL

Philadelphia, Nov. 21.—The end of the war will come in 12 months as the result of a racial and social upheaval in Austria-Hungary, in the opinion of Sir George Reid, former Prime Minister of Australia, who spoke here.

"I think the drive on Italy is one of the worst disasters of the war," said Sir George, "and but for it there would have been a quick end to all the troubles. Austria is crumbling. Germany had to summon all her power to hold her ally on her feet. But I call on you to notice that when the Allies advance on the west front they hold what they gain."

ECUADOR NOW IN GRIP OF REVOLUTIONISTS

Buenos Ayres, Nov. 21.—A serious revolution, with the rebels looting and badly damaging towns, is under way in Ecuador, according to fragmentary advices reaching here.

Quito, the capital city, is reported to be supporting the rebels. Railway traffic is completely stopped and details of the revolution are lacking.

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THE STAND OF LABOR FAVORS CONSCRIPTION

Mr. J. C. Walters Advocates Real Conscription for Canada Instead of Part.

London, Ont., Nov. 21.—President J. F. Walters of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, addressed a meeting in Hyman Hall Saturday night. G. S. Gibbons, the Liberal-Labor candidate for London, also spoke.

Mr. Walters held the Labor was in favor of conscription under right conditions but wanted to start with the essentials required in conducting the war.

"We want the assurance that the nation is in danger," he said.

Mr. Walters attacked profiteering and demanded the conscription of wealth.

"We claim that when the nation is in danger," he said, "all the wealth of the nation should be used to protect it."

"But the government does not think so. The government says that wealth is sacred and instead of taking the wealth they say 'we will confiscate the men.' Human life is above material wealth, therefore we claim that material wealth first of all must be taken. However, the government says 'no, we will take the men by the scruff of the neck' while it allows the essentials necessary for the supply of these men to be manufactured on the voluntary basis."

"My candid opinion is that the Military Service Act is an after the war measure. The idea of conscription is to establish a military caste and militarism has always been the bulwark of autocracy. Think very carefully what is behind the Military Service Act. Remember that in Germany when the workers threatened to wring conditions from their employers they were called to the colors. In event of oppressive measures being brought to bear on you right now, you could be called to the colors and compelled to go back to work at soldiers' wages. This act would be perpetuated and then where would you be?"

The speaker touched on Union government and declared that the nature of the Union government was contrary to democracy.

BRITISH DECORATIONS FOR GREEK AVIATORS

London, Nov. 21.—In connection with the visit to London of Premier Venizelos it is announced that Greek naval aviators participated in the recent air raid on the Gallipoli Peninsula and Constantinople. For the air work three Greek officers have been awarded British decorations.

In the same connection it is announced that "Greek naval and military forces are taking a gallant part in the operations on the Salonica front."

NOTICE TO VOTERS

Until further notice, application for registration on the Dominion Voters' list for Prince Rupert Polling Division will be received at room 1, Smith Block, corner of Third Avenue and Fifth Street, between 10 a. m. and 12 noon, and between 2 p. m. and 4 p. m. each day except Sunday.

Naturalized British subjects must produce their naturalization papers. Women applicants must be the wife, widow, mother, sister or daughter of a member of the Canadian or British military forces serving without Canada, or of the Canadian naval forces within or without Canada.

KENNETH MUNRO, O. H. NELSON, Enumerators.

THE HEATHER ON FIRE IN PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Vancouver, Nov. 21.—A wire from H. Hartley Dewart, M. L. A., Toronto, caused much cheer in Liberal circles, as it predicted 35 seats for the Laurier forces in Ontario. The wire was as follows:

"Conditions here improve daily. Will have straight Liberal candidates in at least 75 ridings, Labor in the balance. Rowell, Guthrie and Pardee are all opposed. We expect 35 Laurier seats in Ontario. They are manipulating every possible force against us, refusing to enumerate men who have claimed exemption; proposing to allocate 40,000 soldiers' votes. Today immense posters ask the insulting question, 'Who would the Kaiser vote for?' Everything indicates a popular sweep which even manipulation and corruption will not control. May go west with Sir Wilfrid to speak at a meeting at Winnipeg about the 26th. The heather is on fire.—H. Hartley Dewart."

MORE SHIPBUILDING ORDERS FOR B. C. COAST

British Shipping Controller is Expected to Place Contracts Direct.

Victoria, Nov. 21.—That the wooden shipbuilding programme in British Columbia is to be extended on a large scale is indicated by the fact that a special representative of the British Government arrived in Victoria last week to look into the shipbuilding situation both here and at Vancouver, and to report on the facilities available for the construction of tonnage. It is understood that the scheme involves the construction of an unlimited number of wooden steamships on the British Columbia coast and that the contracts for the building programme will be placed direct by Sir Joseph Maclay, the British shipping controller. Additional color is lent to the probable extension of the shipbuilding industry here by a dispatch from Seattle which states that Hon. H. C. Brewster, Premier of British Columbia, is now in Seattle looking over the Puget Sound shipyards in connection with the extension of the shipbuilding programme at Victoria and Vancouver.

It is understood that Premier Brewster has been approached by the British shipping controller to act on a board to thoroughly investigate the shipbuilding possibilities in British Columbia, the facilities for turning out ships rapidly, and report on the general situation to the British Government.

U. S. TROOPS IN CANADA

Montreal, Nov. 21.—For the first time in the history of the present generation, if not since the Declaration of Independence, armed American troops are in Montreal to participate in the Victory Loan parade today.

WESTHOLME THEATRE

Mabel Tagliferro is the star billed for the Westholme Theatre tonight in a society drama, entitled "Her Great Price." The star is an actress who appears all too seldom. Her acting is surprisingly good and in a play of this kind, she gets full scope for her capabilities. There will be a fine comedy as well.

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PROGRESS AT SEAL COVE SAWMILL

Work Going Ahead Satisfactorily and Mill Expected Running by Early Spring.

Mr. E. F. Duby, of the Seal Cove sawmill, left for the south this week and intends returning about the end of the month, bringing with him the final shipments of the sawmill machinery. The progress of the buildings has been satisfactory and work will be pushed right ahead with the installation of the machinery. The sawmill will be put into operation before anything further is done with the shingle mill, and as soon as the sawmill is running, the shingle mill will be rushed right ahead and it is hoped that by the early spring to have the entire plant in operation.

The Prince Albert on her last visit brought up the second shipment of the machinery, consisting of some 125 tons, comprising the big ten-foot band mill, the edger, a substantial portion of the line shafting, and the roller band saw, together with the complete machine shop equipment, which includes an oxy-acetylene welding and cutting plant.

Four cars of the mono-rail equipment are in transit and are due to arrive any time now.

Mr. Duby is distinctly satisfied with the prompt shipment of the machinery necessary for the mill, which ensures the work progressing without delay. This has been a rather difficult matter in these times, when so many of the large manufacturing plants, who made a specialty of the building of sawmill machinery have turned their attention to the production of munitions and naval equipment.

SUGAR SENT TO BRITAIN IS BEING CONFISCATED

Victoria, Nov. 21.—The recently adopted British regulation that no private citizens import sugar will account for numerous disappointments among friends this side the Atlantic who have been sending little packages of the sweet in parcels to their relatives in the Old Country with a view to relieving the Government restrictions in the matter of sugar supplies.

The Government evidently put the regulations into operation immediately without sending any forewarning to the overseas distributors. The result was that packages already on their way from this side of the Atlantic were relieved of any sugar contents which they might contain and the remainder of the supplies forwarded to their destination by the Government officials.

It is only about six weeks since the postmaster received instructions to this effect. Since then a warning has been given through the press that no sugar is to be included in parcels being sent overseas to people other than soldiers. A similar warning has been posted in the post office, so that every precaution is being taken to caution people as to the usefulness of sending this particular commodity to friends overseas.

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