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ENEMY RETIRES SLOWLY

KING ALBERT AND QUEEN ELIZABETH ENTER BRUGES TO-DAY

BELGIAN RULERS ENTERED BRUGES THIS MORNING; NEW DEFENSE LINE OF ENEMY

ALL AVAILABLE RESERVES OF GERMANS HAVE BEEN ENGAGED AND SHORTAGE OF HIGH EXPLOSIVE SHELLS HANDICAP THEM

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

British Headquarters in Flanders, October 19.—Belgian infantry forces entered Bruges today. King Albert and Queen Elizabeth of Belgium entered the town at 10 o'clock this morning. The French have captured Thielt in Belgian Flanders, West Flanders, and have passed on 2,000 yards east of the town. The enemy is still resisting strongly all along the line between Bruges and Cambrai, but retiring slowly northeast of Leferre.

British Headquarters in France, October 19.—A new German line of defense from Antwerp through Namur to Sedan is understood to be in course of construction. It is considered likely that the main bulk of the German armies or rather what is left of the main bulk in this section of the front is on the way to the Wotan line, though it is quite possible it may try to make a stand somewhere on this side of these positions. If a stand is made, however, the Germans will have to depend upon what troops they now have in Belgium. All these appear to have been engaged recently, and some have suffered terrible losses. From information received yesterday afternoon, it seems that all the available reserves of the enemy north of the river Lys have now been engaged.

Few, if any, divisions can be spared from any other section of the front. Moreover, it is now certain that the Germans, in addition to their other difficulties, are seriously handicapped by shortage of high explosive shells.

SIZES POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

The local officials this morning received a telegram which stated that Mr. Justice Macdonald, who was to have presided at the fall sizes here, would not arrive and the sittings of the court had been indefinitely postponed. The new date will be gazetted later.

ENDORSES ANTI-STRIKE

Ottawa, Oct. 18.—James Murray, vice-president of the Brotherhood of Trainmen, has endorsed the policy of the Dominion Government regarding strikes during the period of the war.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Owing to the epidemic of influenza prevailing at the present, all churches, in common with other places of public assembly, are hereby ordered to be closed until further notice.

T. McClymont, Mayor.

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VOLUNTEERS ASKED TO AID IN COPING WITH INFLUENZA

Borden Street School to Be Equipped Temporarily as Hospital—Beds Are Expected Monday.

There was a joint meeting last evening in the City Hall of the City Council, the Hospital Board and the Medical Association, to consider ways and means of best taking care of the situation brought about through the spread of the influenza epidemic.

The Hospital Board has ordered more beds, which will arrive on Monday. Not only will every inch of their accommodation at the hospital be filled but as this is insufficient it was decided to utilize the Borden Street school as an auxiliary hospital.

The Immigration Department have some twenty-five beds available, which have never been used and they will be turned in, and Dr. Young, the provincial health officer, has been wired to send five graduate nurses and three trained male orderlies.

There are numerous cases in the city where whole households have been laid up, and there is no one left to attend them. Volunteers are being asked to cope with the situation, and those households who have spare beds which might be loaned for the occasion are asked to notify the hospital.

The number of cases reported continues to increase, and from the reports being brought in from the outside districts, the epidemic is claiming many more.

A request has come to the mayor for assistance from Thurston Harbor, where there are many patients and a shortage of both help and accommodation.

There was another death at the hospital yesterday, when Fortunato Carbone, an Italian aged 37 years, who resided at 402 Seventh Avenue, West, succumbed to an attack of pneumonia, which followed influenza. He was admitted October 11.

RESTAURANT KEEPER DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Gus Wick of White Lunch Was Well Known in Prince Rupert.

Among the victims from the effects of the epidemic of Spanish influenza is Gus Wick, who died last evening from double pneumonia brought on by influenza.

Gus Wick was the owner of the White Lunch, the popular little restaurant near the corner of Sixth Street, and was well known in town. In 1912 he was cook in McDougall's camp and until the completion of the work at the drydock in 1915, and had a wide circle of acquaintances.

As well as the White Lunch, he also conducted the Kaien Rooms on Third Avenue.

There are many in town to whom Gus was a good friend, and who will sincerely regret to hear of his passing, and there will be the greatest sympathy for Mrs. Wick and her little son in their bereavement.

BIRTH

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Sheehan, Clapp Building, at the Prince Rupert General hospital yesterday.

Rev. F. W. Kennedy, superintendent of the Anglican Japanese Missions, arrived from Vancouver this morning, and left by train on a visit to Port Essington.

Owing to the conditions prevailing there will be no meeting of the Retail Clerks on Monday, October 21.

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CITY OF PRAGUE SEIZED BY CZECHS AND THEIR FLAG FLIES OVER CASTLE

Copenhagen, October 19.—The rebellion seems to be on in earnest in Bohemia against the Austrians. This section of the country has been half hearted throughout the war and now at last it has broken away.

The Czech forces are masters of Prague, according to a Berlin dispatch to the Berlinke Tidende. A provisional government has been formed there and already Czecho money is in circulation and the Czech flag waves over Hradschin Castle.

This outbreak is the culmination of a long period of ferment. By strenuous efforts the Austrian Government has been able to hold the Czechs down, but their opportunity has come and they have at last broken away.

An Appeal to the Citizens of Prince Rupert

Owing to the seriousness and extent of the Spanish Influenza in our midst whereby whole families are suffering and unable to help themselves, volunteers are urgently required to cope with the situation.

The Borden Street School is being turned into an emergency hospital and those having spare beds are asked to loan same.

T. McClymont, Mayor.

BRITISH STRAIGHTEN LINES AND MAKE CONSIDERABLE GAINS TO THE EAST OF DOUAI

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegraphs.)

British Army Headquarters in France, October 19.—Once more have the Germans been forced out of wide strips of land all the way from the North Sea to the region east of St. Quentin.

The greatest Allied gains today seem to have been made east of Douai where the British have cut off a slice of the Lille salient. Last reports received indicate that the British have reached positions close to the junction of the Sensee river and Lescaut canal, north of Cambrai and gained ground about five miles east of Douai. Steadily and not without some rapidity the battle line is being straightened and Lille salient shortly should be obliterated.

FORTY HAVE JOINED CANADIAN FLYERS

Some Will Be Trained at Once; Others Placed on Reserve List.

The establishment of an air service in Canada, intended primarily for the defence of the Canadian coast during war, has been completed by the Naval Department.

Early in 1918, in view of anticipated activities along the Canadian coasts by German submarines, the Government considered additional protective measures advisable. It was decided to establish an air service to operate in conjunction with the Naval patrol. The organization of the new service was placed in charge of the Naval Department. An experienced air service officer was borrowed from the British Admiralty to investigate thoroughly the best means advisable to put the new force into action. Acting upon his recommendations, the Naval Department obtained the services of additional flight officers from England, and also of an experienced civil engineer from the United States. These officers arrived in Canada on Dominion Day and have since been working out the detailed organization in conjunction with the Naval authorities at Ottawa.

The new service is known as the Royal Canadian Naval Air Service and the ranks of officers and men are the same as those formerly in use in the Royal Naval Air Service. A large number of applications have been filed with the Air Section, Naval Department, Ottawa, for entry as Flight Cadets. About forty cadets have already been accepted and will commence training immediately. Other applicants are being interviewed, and if accepted, will be sent to England or the United States for training. For the first enlistment of cadets, efforts are being made to give each province the proportion due according to its population. Suitable applicants whose services are not required immediately will be placed on the reserve list for future call.

DAYLIGHT SAVING MAY BE CONTINUED

Should the bill passed by the United States Senate providing for the continuance in force of the daylight saving law after October 27 become law, it is practically certain that the Dominion government will take similar action.

The United States bill is designed to effect economy of fuel and, apart from the inconvenience that will result from a difference in time in the two countries, Canada has adopted practically all fuel conservation measures made effective in the United States.

PRICE OF WHITEFISH

The price of whitefish at the interior lakes of the prairies has been set by the Canada Food Board at from seven to eight and a half cents a pound. The retailer is allowed to charge three cents a pound over and above these prices in addition to the freight charges.

Miss Davis, of the Provincial government agent's office, has kindly consented to take applications from those who are willing to help nurse or otherwise care for the sick. There have been a good many who were willing to give some time to this but owing to lack of information have been unable to get in touch with those needing help. Any time tomorrow Miss Davis can be reached by telephone at her house—phone Green 276.

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