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# Huns Continue Activities **On Verdun Battle Front**

# Heavy Shelling of French Lines in Woevre Sectors is Reported---No Further Word of German Fleet Reported To Have Left Kiel Canal.

German activities on the Verdun front are being continued energetic- donned the uniform. He was modest ally to the west of the Meuse, where the French positions in Avocourt wood ed as to his practical knowledge of and on Hill 304 are being subjected to an incessant bombardment.

There is a hint of possible developments of importance east of the in his workshop Col. Harston was les fortress on the French right flank, heavy shelling of the French lines in the Eix and Moutainville sectors of the Woevre region being reported.

The only infantry activity mentioned in this afternoon's official bulletin from Paris was in the vicinity of the Thiaumont farm, northeast of the fortress, where a German hand grenade attack is reported repulsed.

News is awaited as to further movement of the fleet of German battle ships reported last night to have left Kiel for Riga.

Petrograd recently has indicated an expectation that a powerful offensive by the Germans against the Riga-Dvinsk front was in immediate prospect. Whether a sea operation is to be undertaken in conjunction becharbor with passengers, mails and with a land movement remains to be developed.

### **Big Russian Force is Steadily Pushing**

## Forward in the Direction of Bagdad

LONDON. May 16 .- A despatch to the Daily Chronicle from Petrograd says: 'The Turks in Asia Minor are making a hard light to ward off the consequences of the loss of Erzerum and Trebizond, and if possible to recover these positions. They have reinforced and rearranged their troops and received from their Austro-German allies approximately a division of infantry and a brigade of cavalry, besides artillery, aeroplanes and motor cars. The new Turkish base is at Kharput on the upper tenac, standing over the Dufferin Ter- of the damage could not be obtained Europaius, one hundred miles south of Erzingan by difficult race, on the very cliffs of Cape Dia- early today, but they are estimated mountain roads. The chief efforts of the Ottoman commanders ore directed to breaking the Russian centre at Ashkalch. tion by fire last night, when at about As it is, the roof for a few hundred midway between Erzerum and Erzingan, and so clearing the 11.30 a blaze was discovered under the feet was torn open to allow streams of road to Rizeh and Erzerum.

After a fortnight's heavy fighting, and that at the cost of cal losses, they have succeeded in slightly pushing back the alarm, were busy on the scene until 7 Officials of the hotel today refused Russians at a few points, but this inconsiderable gain in the o'clock this morning in their efforts to to discuss the cause of the fire, but all centre is outweighed by growing Russian successes on the flanks. The Turkish force engaged at Kut is said to have been dispatched northwar dto resist the Russian advance on Bagdad, but the movements of General Gorringes and General Baratoff's forces are strictly co-ordinated, and the struggle for Bagdad

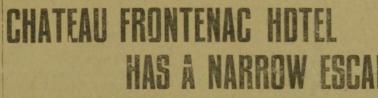
Ottawa, May 13.-Examination of the mittee continued today. During this morning's sitting of the Meredith-Duff chief inspector of arms and aminuni tion, chiefly occupied the stand.

Apparently still in his prime, Col. Harston rather astonished the commis sion that he would soon celebrate his fiftieth anniversary of the day he first

## Scandinavian at Quebec

Allan liner Scandinavian entered Quea general cargo, carrying also among

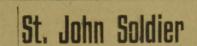
her passengers 158 invalided soldiers.



Quebec, May 16 .- The famous Can- succeeded, although the roof and upadian Pacific Railway hostelry known per stories of the servants' ward were the world over as the Chateau Fron- badly gutted. Figures on the extent mond, was threatened with destruc- close to the \$25,000 mark.

copper roof of the kitchen section, in water to play on the blaze, but breakthe servant's quarters. fast was served as usual today in the

Firemen, summoned by a general Chateau. keep the fire from spreading to the are emphatic in declaring the origin guests' apartments, and in this they purely accidental.



# OF CASEMENT ON HIGH TREASON CHARGE

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Public Interest in the Proceedings is Intensely Keen---Irish Girl Identifies Casement as One of the Men Who Landed at Tralee,

LONDON, May 16 .- For hours this morning crowds of people stood in line around Bow Street police station, waiting for the resumption of the arraignment of Sir Roger Casement on charges of high treason in connection with the Sinn Fein rebellion. The little court room was crowded within five minutes after the doors were opened, and many hundreds of men and women were unable to obtain admission. Superintendent Quinn, of Scotland Yard, who is in charge of the police arraignments, voiced the popular feeling about the hearing when he said:

"I have followed every notable case that Bow Street has known in many years, but the court has never been the scene of an examination so full of dramatic interest as the present one. The tense state of public feeling due to the war has of course been a factor, but the case in itself has features which raise it far above the level of any criminal hearing in my memory.

There was some speculation today as to whether Casement's lawyers would place him on the stand at the preliminary hearing. It is generally believed that this will not be done. His lawyers refuse to state whether they will consider such a

#### CASEMENT IDENTIFIED AS ONE OF THE MEN WHO LANDED FROM A GERMAN SUBMARINE

The first witness of today was Mary Gorman, a typical Irish girl, who was the first witness to identify Casement as one of the men who landed from the German submarine at Tralee. She testified that she saw three men passing a farmyard gate carly Good Friday morning.

She was asked by A. H. Bodkin for the prosecution whether she could identify any of the three men. She replied "Yes, sir," and pointed to Casement. The prisoner bowed his head and scribbled more diligently than ever on the pad of paper in front of him.

Among the spectators were Michael Flavin, Nationalist member of the House of Commons, whose home is at Tralee, and a number of friends of Casement, including several women. Casement appeared to be entirely at ease and smiled cheerfully

seems about to enter a new and interesting phase

### The Reverses at Verdun Seem to Have **Killed German Initiative on Western Front**

NEW YORK. May 16.- A Petrograd despatch to the Trihune, referring to the further advances by the Russians in the to foment trouble at Berlin is the be- the Canadian eye-witness, the follow direction of Mosul, as announced in last night's official state- lief in official circles here. The vote ing paragraph appears: ment, follows: "Appearances all point to the conclusion that the principal war work of the immediate future will be on the suddenly developed into an intervale wick battalion. Private E. Snelgrove Asiable front. Verdun seems to have killed German initialive bitter campaign in which a mysterion the Western front, but the ominous progress steadily made ous annamed organization known as when his injury was being dressed at by the Russians on the Asialic front compets Germany to re-consider her plans. Attention is called to the council of war ingly active part. Last night the Ber-had a narrow escape from a far more recently held by Emperor William, at which the higher commands engaged with the Asiatic part of Germany's strategic urging Berlin people to vote "no" on dangerous place, but had been stopped schemes, were exceptionally largely represented.

### Officers of British Steamer Complain of Inhuman Treatment of German Pirates

SVERPOOL, May 16.-Chief Officer Collins of the British the committee. Kingsley is 36 years the past week, and describes an espe four-masted ship Calgate, which was sunk by a German sublist he declares he is a Socialist. marine in the Atlantic, who landed at Liverpool yesterday, protested vigorously against the submarine commander's inhuman and barbarous conduct in setting the seamen adrift in open boats after sinking the ship, during a terrific gale and in a high "I reckon nobody calling themselves white men, or claimsea. ing to have in them a stired of humanity, would east men adrift in small boats during such weather." said Collins. "When I was leaving the ship I didn't thing the boats could live through Crucible such a sea.

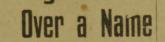
The Calgate's crew belonged to many nationalities. The Marine common chief officer's bout was adrift for forty-five hours before its Union occupants were rescued by a patrol vessel.

#### FRENCH OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

PARIS. May 16.—The text of the official statement issued by the War Office today is as follows:

On the left bank there was quite a lively bombardment of Bridge our positions in the woods of Avocourt and near Hill 304, on Cedars Cement the right bank of the Meuse, a small German hand grenade Canada Car

The night on the rest of the front was relatively calm.



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STOCK MARKET

New York.

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Call

Ottawa, May 16 .- In the official re London, Ont., May 16 .- That German money from Detroit is being used port of operations at the front from

an advertisement from the committee Another bullet had struck him in a by a Bible given to him by his mother Many people are convinced that Wil- which he carried in his pocket

liam Kingsley, who has commenced in- The report tells of an almost steady junction proceedings to prevent the rain of shells and machine gun fire vote being taken, has the support of over the Canadian trenches during old. When asked why he does not en- cially severe bombardment of positions held by Ontario and British Co-

Chicago Student **On Murder Charge** 

Chicago, May 16 .- Examination of 263% veniremen in the trial of W. H. Orpet 145½ the Wisconsin University student charged with the murder of Marion Lambert, at Lake Forest High School. 465% last February, was continued today at Waukegan. Three men were tentatively accepted as jurors yesterday, the 55¼ first day of the trial.

Judge Donnelly, before whom the case is being tried, expects to decide today whether Orpet's lawyers can es arine sixty letters which passed be

Mr. George F. Burtt of Hartland, is

as he took his place in the dock. Daniel J. Bailey, who is ac cused jointly with Casement, apparently was more composed than he was yesterday.

#### THE PRISONER BEGAN TO TAKE NOTES AS FIRST WITNESS TOOK THE STAND TODAY

As the first witness took the stand, Casement began to take voluminous notes. The testimony in the early part of today's session had to do with events in which the two prisoners are charged with having played a part after their landing at Tralee, whereas the evidence given yesterday dealt almost entirely with operations of Casement and Bailey in Germany,

John McCarthy, a farmer of Currahane, County Kerry, told of finding the collapsible boat in which Casement, Bailey and a nan named Monteith, who is still at large, landed at Tralee.

McCarthy said he pulled it ashore and found a dagger and t fin box in it. On his way home he met his children, who were playing with three revolvers they had found close to the shore.

Other witnesses from the same district told of having seen signal lights at sea on the evening before Good Friday.

#### EVIDENCE HAD A HUMOROUS SIDE.

A touch of humor was added when Mary Gorman told her story of meeting Casement and his two companions as they were leaving the beach. She talked in a brogue so broad that it was found necessary to ask her to write the words before they could be understood. This she did smilingly.

After identifying Casement, she told how she had seen him later in the day in the custody of a constable.

She did not recognize Bailey. At this point the Attorney

General, Sir Frederick Smith, took a hand in the proceedings. He conducted the examination of Sergt. John Hearne of the Royal Irish Constabulary, who was summoned by McCarthy when he found the boat. It was Sergeant Hearne who arrested Casement near Tralee.

The sergeant said that, accompanied by Sergeant Riley he searched the country round and at length found in the old fort a man-the prisoner in the dock-the tall man. Casement.

The Sergeant continued: "I asked him who he was. He aid his name was Richard Morton, that his home was at Den-