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GERMAN PRISONERS LOUD IN THEIR PRAISES OF CANADIAN TROOPS

"With Such Men I Could go Anywhere or do Anything," Says One Captured Officer---All Reported Quiet Today In the Region of Passchendaele.

(By W. A. Willison, Correspondent of the Canadian Press.)

Canadian Headquarters in France, via London.—Hindenburg's orders to his troops to retake Passchendaele at all costs have not yet resulted in any enemy infantry activity before Passchendaele. Yesterday and today have been exceptionally quiet, save for our artillery, which has been maintaining a harassing fire on all the routes of approach to the centres of activity in the enemy area. Reports of an eastward movement of enemy batteries possibly indicate that he may be preparing new gun positions to support an attack upon the ridge, but in the meantime the Canadians are strengthening their new positions and preparing for all emergencies.

GERMAN PRISONERS ARE WELL PLEASED OVER THE TREATMENT RECEIVED FROM THE ENGLISH

The two battalion commanders, with their staffs, which were captured in the last engagement, afford a striking indication of the rapidity with which our troops maintained their attack. "With such men I could go anywhere or do anything," is one captured officer's comment on the Canadians. Indeed, the prisoners are loud in admiration of our troops, especially their physique. They are loud also in comments on the treatment they are receiving. There is no doubt that the enemy commanding officers have strongly endeavored to create the impression among their men that no worse fate could befall them than to be taken prisoner by the British.

The prisoners state that they received special tales of the generosity of the British troops, being told they took no prisoners and showed the utmost cruelty to any Germans who fell into their hands. The men captured are naturally astounded as they are relieved at the kindness of our troops.

CANADIANS TOOK TWO COMPANIES OF THE GERMANS WITHOUT FIRING A SHOT

Recent captures confirm the reports of heavy enemy losses. Our troops went over so rapidly and followed the barrage so closely that numerous cases are reported where the enemy had no chance to use his machine guns before our infantry was on top of him. Our counter battery work and artillery concentration have also been so effective recently that the enemy battery positions have been constantly changed.

Two companies of the enemy were taken without our firing a shot on the morning of the 6th. Sheltered in covered shell holes from the intensity of our artillery and machine gun barrage, and having no facilities for mounting their machine guns, they were captured by our rapidly advancing infantry.

QUEBEC CITY TENDERS HEARTY WELCOME TO SIR WILFRID LAURIER

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

QUEBEC, Nov. 9.—The friends of Sir Wilfrid Laurier prepared today to give the opposition leader one of the greatest demonstrations of sympathy and support of his political career at the great mass meeting at which he will open his election campaign in the Martineau rink tonight. Last evening Sir Wilfrid was given a foretaste of the welcome awaiting him here, when a huge crowd filled the railway station upon his arrival from Ottawa, and the statesman had to be extricated almost by main force from the hands of his admirers, who gathered around him cheering and gripping his hand.

The crowd was estimated at 20,000 people, and all traffic in the vicinity of the depot was blocked by the people and countless autos. Sir Wilfrid, after vainly trying to make his way out of the main entrance of the station, had to be escorted through a side door. New York people called up Liberal headquarters today to see if he had experienced any ill-effects of the crushing he received. The word was given out that Sir Wilfrid was in fine fettle.

Martineau rink will accommodate some seven thousand people, but it was anticipated that twice that number would be on hand. An overflow meeting it was thought may be necessary.

BONAR LAW PAYS TRIBUTE TO CANADIANS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Nov. 9 (via Reuter's Ottawa Agency).—Right Hon. Bonar Law, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking on war aims at Manchester, paid a handsome tribute to the gallantry of the Canadian troops at Passchendaele. He declared, in broken tones, that when the Empire came successfully through the conflict Gallipoli would be sacred ground, because of the dead who were there. The English were a

generous race—he could say that because he had no English blood in his veins. The English had magnanimously given the highest praise to the courage of the Dominion soldiers. Such magnanimity always came of a consciousness of strength.

Mr. Law said that the number of aeroplane engines turned out last month was thrice the number of October of last year.

As regards the submarine condition, the enemy had not been able to keep up the October average, and so far the November results were less favorable to the Germans than those of October.

Chief Justice McKeown was registered at the Barker House last night. Mr. M. G. Teed of St. John, is at the Barker House.

RAFTING OPERATIONS HAVE ENDED

Estimated 40,000,000 Feet
Went Through Booms—
No Estimate Yet of Next
Season's Cut.

Rafting operations of the St. John River Log Driving Company were completed yesterday when the Douglas Boom closed for the season. The crews of the company now are engaged in storing the plant for the winter.

No definite statement of the quantity of lumber rafted during the season is yet available but it is believed to be in the neighborhood of forty million feet. This quantity is less than the total of the average season's rafting of a few years ago when 140,000,000 feet went through the booms.

Water is High.

The St. John river is at a high level on account of the heavy rains of the past few weeks. Ice will not form until there is a fall in the water and on that account a late season of navigation is expected.

Forecast of Next Season.

It is not yet known how large the cut of lumber on the St. John river will be during the coming winter. Labor problems must be solved before the cut can be made as large as it was last winter.

Mr. N. M. Jones of St. John, was a guest at the Queen last night. Mr. F. F. Casey of Campbellton, is in the city.

THE TURKS IN PALESTINE ARE IN FULL RETREAT

**British Airplanes are Following Them up--
British and French Troops on the Way
to the Italian Front.**

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Nov. 9.—The entire Turkish army in Palestine is retreating towards the north. British airplanes are following up the retreating Turks and bombing them. Forty Turkish guns were captured, says the British official statement announcing the Ottoman retreat.

Help for the Italians.

Italian Military Zone, Thursday, Nov. 8.—Both British and French troops are going toward the front. The French and British representatives, who have come to Italy, had a conference of two hours today with King Victor Emmanuel. The military session called for by the present situation discussed active and cordial collaboration. On leaving, the King then visited French and British troops going toward the front.

Surprise Attacks Carried Out.

PARIS, Nov. 9.—"We carried out with success last night surprise attacks in the Argonne and on the left bank of the Meuse, in the region of Avocourt wood, and brought back prisoners," says today's official communication. "The Germans made two attacks after violent bombardment, on one of our positions at Chaume wood, and in the region of Arracourt. These assaults were repulsed. The enemy suffered serious losses and left prisoners in our hands."

British Make Successful Raid.

LONDON, Nov. 9.—An official statement issued today by the British War Office regarding military operations in France and Belgium, says: "We made a successful raid last night to the eastward of Hargicourt. There was nothing of special interest to report from the rest of the front."

Former Russian Ministers Are Placed Under Arrest

VICTORY LOAN ADVERTISING

Plans for the Victory Loan Campaign in York and Sunbury counties which will open on Monday next are well advanced. Mr. J. D. Palmer who is in charge of the campaign, has a large amount of advertising matter ready for distribution. This morning a number of sandwich boards arrived at the local office. They will be used about the city and will be sent out to various places in the two counties. The posters prepared by the central committee are striking and effective.

Last night a meeting of ladies interested in the campaign was held in the City Council chamber. Mr. J. M. Robinson of St. John, the well known banker and broker, was the speaker. His address proved very interesting.

A meeting also was held last night at Hawkeshaw. The speakers were Hon. A. R. Slipp, K. C., and Mr. J. B. Dickson.

The literature prepared at the local office will be distributed throughout the city tomorrow by Boy Scouts. This literature shows the advantage of the Victory Loan Bonds as an investment as well as the patriotic duty which compels those able to purchase, to become investors.

**Have Been Incarcerated in the Fortress
of St. Peter and St. Paul---Kerensky
Reported to Have Run Away---
Battle at Winter Palace.**

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

PETROGRAD, Nov. 8.—Information was obtained tonight that the former ministers of the provisional government, who were arrested by the military revolutionary committee, have been incarcerated in the fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul. The confirmation was given by the commissioner in command of the fortress, who received the Associated Press correspondent and personally explained to him the details regarding the confinement of the ministers. The cabinet ministers, he said, were all arrested at the winter palace after its surrender early this morning. They were taken from the fortress and placed in solitary confinement, but were courteously treated. He gave a list of those taken into custody.

IMPOSSIBLE TO TELL THE NUMBER OF CASUALTIES WHICH OCCURED AT THE WINTER PALACE BATTLE

The commissioner said he did not know the whereabouts of Premier Kerensky, who had "run away." It is impossible at this hour to ascertain what the casualties were in the Winter Palace battle, although they are reported not to have been many. The fighting proceeded with the rival forces alternately in possession of the huge pile of wood stored in the plaza, part of the winter fuel supply. The glare of an arc light illuminated the positions of the forces in the plaza, while the rest of the city was in almost total darkness, this condition increasing the visibility of the flashes from the cruisers on the horizon, which gave warning of the speedy bursting of shells.

The palace, which already had been stripped of most of its historic art objects, was completely denuded this afternoon of its tapestries and paintings.

LONDON PAPERS BELIEVE THAT THE RUSSIAN COUP D'ETAT WAS ENGINEERED BY THE GERMANS

LONDON, Nov. 9.—That the Russian coup d'etat was engineered and subsidized by Germany for the purpose of eliminating Russia from among her enemies, is the virtual unanimous opinion expressed in newspaper editorial comment. A different view is taken by some commentators, while others claim that the triumph of the Maximalists is probably a passing phase and refuse to believe that they represent Russia or that Russia will agree to a separate peace. The Times partly blames the Kerensky government for tolerating anarchy.

AN APPEAL TO THE ARMY.

PETROGRAD, Nov. 9.—The congress of soldiers and workmen's delegates today appealed to the Russian army to stand firm and protect the revolution against imperialistic attempts until the new government had obtained a democratic peace.

UPRISING IN RUSSIA CALLED A REBELLION

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

New York, Nov. 9.—The Russkoye Slovo, a daily in New York city, publishes this morning an editorial article signed by its editor, Leo Pavlovsky, in which he says:

"The Bolsheviks call this coup d'etat a revolution; but it is neither one nor the other, it is a rebellion pure and simple. It is a revolt against the legal established government, recognized by the Russian people. It is treason to the people, and Russia will regard the actions of Trotsky and of his companions as a rebellion and as high treason."

"Russia will not follow the mad anarchists of Petrograd. It is impossible that the Russian giant should not awaken from its terrible sleep, and cast away from its eyes that bloody curtain which blinds its vision and darkens its mind. The Bolshevik government in Petrograd will re-enact the bloody Paris commune. But this commune of our days will be shattered by the actions of Trotsky and of his companions. The rebellion will be crushed, and then the country will again come out upon the road that leads to the constituent assembly."

WIRELESS OUTFIT DISCOVERED

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Norwich, Conn., Nov. 9.—A complete wireless receiving outfit has been discovered by Federal agents near here, it became known last night, and has been confiscated by the government. The owner and operator of the wireless outfit, Charles Ireland, was

CANADIANS AWARDED THE VICTORIA CROSS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Nov. 9 (via Reuter's Ottawa Agency).—The London Gazette announces the award of the Victoria Cross to three Canadians.

They are Major O. Massey Learmonth, M. C., of Quebec, late of the Canadians, "for most conspicuous bravery and exceptional devotion to duty. During a determined counter attack on our new positions this officer, when his company was momentarily surprised, instantly charged and personally disposed of the attackers. Later he carried on a tremendous fight with the advancing enemy. Although under an intense barrage fire and mortally wounded, he stood on the parapet of the trench and bombed the enemy continuously and directed the defence in such a manner as to infuse a spirit of the utmost resistance into his men. On several occasions this very brave officer actually caught bombs thrown at him by the enemy and tossed them back." The next of kin of the late Major Learmonth is given as Martha Learmonth, 43 Murray avenue, Quebec.

The other two Canadians are Sergt. Major M. Robert Hanna and Private James O'Rourke, both of the Canadian Infantry. Both were awarded the Victoria Cross for conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty.

Premier and Mrs. Foster of St. John were registered at the Queen last night.

not arrested. A code book found in his possession contained a number of messages concerning movements of ships sent from Berlin, Germany, and also messages sent out by wireless from Sayville. The wireless outfit was found concealed in trees 150 feet from the ground.

TO-MORROW!

is the last day
to report for
Class One Men

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