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The Anglo-French Forces

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# JUBILANT OVER THEIR

# Allied Troops Reported to be Satisfactory Progress on Western Front---Tons of Explosives Dropped On Enemy Works at Bearbrucken.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

With the French Armies in France, Oct. 25.—The French have reached the Aisne canal and Laon, eight miles away, is in sight. Following up the victory of Tuesday, the French today took Choismonky mountain, east of Vauxaillon, the village of Pinon and the forest of the same name, as well as the village of Pargny-Fitain. Demoralization in the German command is shown by contradictory orders found on prisoners. The question is asked whether another retreat is intended.

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## S OF GERMAN PRISONERS MARCHED The Frankfurter Zeitung characterizes the battle as "painful" for Germany, but not desperate, and believes HUNDREDS OF GERMAN PRISONERS MARCHED

Hundreds of prisoners in large groups were making their way to the rear, marching without escort. Damaged German machine guns lay everywhere, while scattered around were CONFIDENCE IN heaps of ammunition, cannons and immense quantities of military material. Many Germans were captured in the enormous cavern of Fruty. The approaches were battered severely and large holes had been torn in the roof, demonstrating the power and accuracy of the French artillery. Not an inch of ground hereabouts had been left unchanged. The cavern has galleries about one kilometre in length, with many exits, most of which had been damaged greatly by the French guns.

When the French infantry dashed forward in the darkness they approached the entrances warily and found them full of Germans waiting for the moment to attack. Smoke bombs soon brought them out with hands raised in token of surrender.

# TANKS UNEARTHED AND DESTROYED MANY

Meanwhile the tanks had advanced with the infantrymen until the second German position was reached, destroying on the way many nests of machine guns opposing the progress of the French troops.

One tank was opposed by a determined German officer with a large body of men, who poured bullets upon the armored sides of the machine without effect. Finally the French officer in command descended from the tank and with his revolver forced the whole group to surrender. Another tank found a battery of field guns facing it. As soon as the ank opened fire half of the artillerymen threw up their hands, while the remainder bolted, only to fall beneath a hail of machine gun bullets from the monster.

## FRENCH SOLDIERS MOVED SWIFTLY AND SHOWED WONDERFUL COURAGE AND ENDURANCE

The sight of the towers of the Cathedral of Laon on the horizon a few miles away spurred the French soldiers to wonderful efforts of endurance and swiftness of movement. They went on determinedly in pursuit of the Germans, leaving parties behind to clear out cellars and caverns which disgorged hundreds of demoralized prisonersfi who seemed astounded at the vastness of the French advance.

With all this severe fighting on a battle front where the little brother, two years younger. It Gordon pulled the trigger. The bul-Germans had strong positions, the French casualties were re- was another case of "did not know it let passed over the eldest sister and markably low. The French troops of all branches are jubilant over the victory. Where the Germans will make a stand cannot yet be foreseen. What is known is that the line of their retreat is over a difficult and boggy plain, where the movement of guns is possible only with great precaution.

# WILL BE READY

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, Oct. 26.—Additional accommodation for 650 convalescent soldiers in New Brunswick and Prince Edm New Brunswick and Frince Edward Island will be ready within three months, according to the military hospitals commission. The additional buildings are at Fredericton, Charlottetown and North Wiltshire, P. E. I.

Returning Hunting Party.
Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sawtelle, Miss
M. P. Smith, Mrs. J. B. Smith and
Dr. and Mrs. F W MacDonald of Boston returned this morning after spending some time in the Miramichi wods
ta Dr MacDonald's camp. The party
had an enjoyable outing and fair luck

The Provincial Government is called to meet in this city on Wednesday evening of next week.

# SINN FEINERS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Oct. 26.— The Daily Mail's London, Oct. 26.— The Daily Mail's Sinn Fein correspondent in West Ireland telegraphs that there is no news there of the whereabouts of Professor Edward de Valera, member of parliament for East Clare, who was quoted in the House of Commons a day or two ages as having been inciting rebellion. ago as having been inciting rebellion n Ireland, and ther is anxiety as to his movements.

It is possible, says the correspondent, that he will be found in Dublin, whither the most militant and pacific leaders in the west and south have gone to attend the convention.

Halifax Echo: Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Clarke of Fredericton, are spending some time in the city, guests at the

Mr. Thomas B. Kenny of Amherst,

# **BRITAIN WILL** AND ROUMANIA

(Canadian Press direct wire.) London, Oct. 26.—In the House of Commons yesterday Lord Robert Cecil Minister of Blockade, gave a categorical denial to rumors circulated by Germany that the western powers were contemplating a separate peace at the expense of Russia and Roumenia.

mania.

"The government," he said, "is determined to abide by our Russian ally and assist her in consolidating her new-found liberty. The government also realizes the great debt owing the Roumanian government and army, and the Roumanian people can rest assured that this country will not desert them in the present crisis."

# HUN PAPERS

Canadian Press direct wire.)

Amsterdam, Oct. 26.—German news papers are uneasy over the French advance northeast of Soissons. Those at Cologne say it is impossible to minimize the importance of the French blow. The Volks Zeitung says:

perior enemy

France's aim is the capture of Laon.

Canadian Press direct wire.)

Paris, Oct. 26.—Premier Painlev's Paris, Oct. 26.—Premier Painlev's ministry obtained 346 favorable votes on October 19, and his new ministry yesterday obtained only 288 votes, a little more than half the votes in the Chamber of Deputies. The opposition votes numbered 137, partly from the socialists and partly from the radical socialists. The same groups supplied

MACHINE GUNS AND ROUTED THE GUNNERS hesitation of the chamber to defeat any ministry by a direct vote during

# Attacking in Ypres Region

(Canadian Press lirect wire.) Ottawa, Oct. 26.—An order-in-council ottawa, oct. 20.—An order-in-council has been passed by the Dominion government authorizing regulations issued by the fuel administrator for Canada respecting time and sale of coal, which goes into effect on Nov. 1st.

Provision is made for the licensing of all importors and declars in coal

IN THE FUTURE

Provision is made for the licensing of all importers and dealers in coal now doing business in Canada, and that may desire to do so. Applications must be made to the fuel controller before the 21st of November, by registered letter, for dealers' or importers' permits. Heavy penalties are provided for doing business without permit. Provision is also made for the cancellation of permits in case where any dealer has been found guilty of giving short weight or where any other sufficient cause exists.

Under the regulations, every mine operator in Canada must forthwith enter into an agreement with the fuel controller, fixing the maximum prices per ton he may charge for the output of his mine.

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Canadian Press direct wire.)

socialists. The same groups supplied them enter the place as if on parade the hundred members who abstained from voting. from voting.

The vote testified once more to the recognized authority as prisoners.

Dr. D. J. Wier of Doaktown, is in the ty today.

Grace Lillian McNaughton, Aged Eight Years, Shot which stretches from Plezzo to the Carso. By Gordon McNaughton Aged Six Years Early endeavor to stem the enemy advance. British artillery is play-This Morning--Children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert ing a great part in the battle. McNaughton--Boy Pointed Loaded Rifle and Said "Hands Up"

miles from Fredericton, when little up," he said to each. Annie held hers home this morning and learned the and causing instant death. particulars of the shooting. He decidmorally, and the little fellow telling not the case. the coroner that he "thought he would just snap the trigger."

Only Children at Home.

The home is that of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McNaughton and is on the farm of Mr. William Seymour for whom ploye of the Smith Foundry Company Mr. McNaughton works. The mother was at Doak Settlement visiting a married daughter and the father had gone to his work early. Left in the wice four children, a girl aged to see were four children, a girl aged been sent to Doak Settlement for her.

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le Gordon entered the room and seiz- be announced later,

A terrible tragedy was enacted at ed a rifle which stood behind the door. an early hour this morning at McLeod He levelled the weapon at each of the Hill, Parish of Douglas, some five children in the bed in turn. "Hands Grace McNaughton, aged eight years, up and then held up those of the baby.

if he was responsible mentally and the information given him such was

### Rifle Had Been Left There.

According to the information given Dr. Mullin by the children, the rifle belonged to Mr. Frank Cowie, an em-Fredericton, who had left it there af-

Surviving Reltaives. lying to wn with her elething on. The seven months. She is survived by her eldest sister was on the outside of the parents, five brothers, Walter, employbed and the baby in the middle, ed with the Smith Foundry Company ed with the Smith Foundry Company in Fredericton, Peter, James, Gordon and Ralph and two sisters, Msr. Percy Cook of Doak Settlement and Annie, Told Them "Hands Up."

Cook of Doak Settlement and Annie, As the three children lay in bed litted for the funeral will be announced later.

Cook of Doak Settlement and Annie, erations of the German diplomatic corps in the United States, Count Von Bernstorff's name has been stricken avenue, did damage estimated at \$300,-

# Put the Enemy on the Run and Captured Thousands of Prisoners---The Grown Prince's Army Shattered---French Losses Remarkably Low.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Oct. 26.—The French and British troops are attacking today in the Ypres region, the War Office announces. The British are making satisfactory progress in their new attacks. The statement follows:

"At 9.45 this morning attacks were launched by the French and British armies north, northeast and east of Ypres. The Allied troops are reported to be making satisfactory progress. Rain fell heavily during the latter part of the night and is still continuing'

### MANY TONS OF EXPLOSIVES WERE DROPPED BY ALLIED AIRMEN ON THE ENEMY'S WORKS

LONDON, Oct. 26.—An official statement on aerial opera-The most far-reaching provisions of the new regulations are those dealing with dealers' commissions and profits. by our airplane squadrons with excellent results. Over three with dealers' commissions and profits.

Brokers are allowed a maximum of 30 cents per ton for their services; the wholesalers a maximum of 35 cents per ton, and retail dealers a sum not exceeding 50 cents per ton.

by our airplane squadrons with excellent results. Over three and one-half tons of explosives were dropped on the Burbach works just west of Saarbrucken by naval machines. The damexceeding 50 cents per ton.

"Three thousand three hundred and thirty-five pounds of explosives were dropped in and around Saarbrucken by another squadron. Many direct hits were obtained. A train proceedng to Saarbrucken was hit by a big bomb and destroyed.

The enemy's anti-aircraft defences were strong, and a first weather conditions were good, but later became very bad, with rain, low clouds and a strong wind. On Wednesday there was a slight improvement in the weather on the British front. One hundred and fifty four bombs were dropped during the day on enemy billets, twelve heavy bombs on an airdrome near Courtrai, and 71 others on German troops and trenches.

"Four hostile machines were downed by our airplanes, one was shot down by our infantry, and three other machines were brought down out of control. Six of our machines are missing."

### ITALIAN MINISTER OF WAR DECLARES THAT **ENEMY WILL NEVER TREAD ON ITALIAN SOIL**

LONDON, Oct. 27.—The situation on the Italian front is at present obscure. The minister of war yesterday electrified the Italian chamber in a strong speech, reassuring the people that the army was fully prepared and asserting that "the enemy will never tread on Italian soil."

Reuter's correspondent at Italian headquarters, telegraphng Thursday, stated that the weather had broken and there was mud and slush everywhere. Nevertheless, the artillery duel was ever-increasing in extent and volume, and was beginning to reveal the vast nature of the Austro-German movement,

The Italians are using machine guns to their utmost in an

# MUNITIONS PLANT NEAR MONTREAL BURNED WITH LOSS OF \$1,600,000

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

was shot and killed instantly by her Grace refused to hold up hers and at Vaudreuil was destroyed by fire at seven this morning, and the fifteen hundred hands employed had to beat a hasty retreat from the premises. Reports was loaded." Dr. B. M. Mullin of Dev- the baby and struck Grace in the from Vaudreuil this morning indicated that there had been no loss of life. The on, coroner, visited the McNaughton chest, piercing the pericardial sack neighborhood was rocked at intervals for nearly an hour by tremendous explosions, while the sky was lit up with all colors of the rainbow from the flames There were rumors that the chil- of the burning acids. The monetary loss from the fire will be about \$1,600, ed to hold no inquest, the extreme dren had quarelled but Dr. Mullin 000. The fire was started by a spark from an electric motor in the shell-loadyouth of the boy making it doubtful stated to The Mail that according to ing part of the plant. Two men were slightly injured.

# NEW PEACE IDEA BRAZIL TO SEIZE IN GERMANY GERMAN WARSHIP

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

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### SERIOUS FIRE AT CLEVELAND.