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LANDING OF GERMANS AT OESEL ISLAND A HARD BLOW TO RUSSIA

Could Only Have Been Averted by Risking a Naval Battle Under Unfavorable Conditions---German Operations Likely to be Localized.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

PETROGRAD, Oct. 15.—The landing of German troops on Oesel island could have been averted only by risking battle under unfavorable circumstances, which might have resulted in the opening of the Gulf of Finland to the enemy, Admiral Verdervski, Minister of Marine, said today. The blow is a hard one to Russia, but the Russian fleet apparently was in no position to hinder the Germans.

"Since March," said the Admiral, "I have several times drawn attention to the possibility of such a move, and I also discussed the situation with Premier Kerensky, but no one paid attention to the government's warning."

"Although we are at war, our political differences have been given first place in the minds of the people. The Germans take this into account and events show that they have been able to take full advantage."

THE MINISTER OF MARINE SEES NO IMMEDIATE DANGER OF GERMANS ENTERING GULF OF FINLAND

"German naval power is four times greater than that of Russia," the Admiral continued. "The naval force, in the cause of the country, did everything possible to prevent the landing of the Germans, and will continue to carry out all orders of the Minister of Marine."

The Minister of Marine sees no immediate danger of a German attempt to enter the Gulf of Finland. He expressed the belief that owing to the lateness of the season the German operations will be localized.

The Petrograd Council of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates has issued an appeal to the army and the fleet to obey their commanders and to fight to save the capital and repel the Germans from the Gulf of Riga.

THE OPENING OF THE RUSSIAN PRELIMINARY PARLIAMENT HAS BEEN POSTPONED FOR A WEEK

PETROGRAD, Oct. 15.—The provisional government has postponed the opening of the preliminary parliament from October 16th to 20th. Premier Kerensky, who has recovered sufficiently from his recent indisposition to travel, will return to Petrograd tomorrow, and will open the parliament.

Eight days before the opening of the constituent assembly, parliament will suspend its labors. Members of the parliament will enjoy parliamentary immunity and be exempted from military service. Any measure adopted by this body must bear the signatures of at least thirty members in order to become effective. The war ministry has sent separate commissions to each army at the front to make plans for revictualing the troops in preparation for the coming winter campaign.

NO FIXED PRICE ON POTATOES

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, Oct. 16.—In the course of an interview here, Hon. W. J. Hanna, Dominion food controller, said that while it is not proposed to fix the price of potatoes, the "spread" between the price paid the producer and that paid by the consumer will be fixed.

By means of fixing the "spread" and licensing dealers throughout the country, the food controller will be in a position to control the potato market to as great an extent as is possible.

When asked concerning oleomargarine, the food controller said that the statements made by him in Montreal last week had apparently been misunderstood. He pointed out that he was expressing his personal views when he said that this article of food should be admitted free. Whether they would meet the approval of the cabinet remained to be seen.

The suggestion by the food controller that the duty on oleomargarine should be removed will be considered by the cabinet this week.

Yesterday's Classification.
One hundred and twenty-two appeared before the medical board at Fredericton yesterday, falling into categories as follows: Class A, 23; Class B, 21; Class C, 21; Class D, 31; Class E, 26. Registrations at the post office continue but the proportion of applications for exemption is very high.

GARNSEY-BEEK NUPTIALS

(Bangor News.)

The marriage of Capt. Frank A. Garnsey of Bangor and Miss Kate Beek, daughter of the late James S. Beek, I.S.O., auditor general of New Brunswick, took place in St. John's Episcopal church on Wednesday, the rector, Rev. J. Edward Hand officiating. The couple were attended by Miss Nelson and Col. Victor Brett, intimate friends of the bride and groom respectively.

Capt. Garnsey is one of Bangor's most highly respected citizens, a veteran of the Civil War, with a most creditable record, and a valued city official who has a large circle of warm friends here and elsewhere. The bride has resided in this city a number of years and is held in high regard here.

TRAGIC DEATH AT AMHERST

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Amherst, N. S., Oct. 16.—F. B. Rees, of St. John, employed at the International Engineering Works here, was instantly killed this morning, being caught in a belt which he was greasing, and hurled through the air, falling on his head and fracturing the skull. He is survived by his wife and one child, residing in St. John.

Signs of Improvement.

Mr. A. Mazzuca, who suffered painful injuries by falling after a mis-step on the stairs at his home some weeks ago, is showing signs of improvement.

PROV. CHAPTER, I. O. D. E., MEETING HERE TODAY

Food Conservation One Subject of Discussion—Interesting Report on Educational Work.

The Provincial Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, met here today for the October quarterly meeting. Mrs. R. FitzRandolph, regent, presided. The sessions are being held in one of the committee rooms at the House of Assembly. Eight delegates from St. John chapters are in attendance.

Reports were presented this morning by the various secretaries. Among those who presented reports were Mrs. Arthur Adams and Mrs. T. W. Fraser of St. John. An interesting report upon the educational work of the order was presented by Mrs. B. C. Foster.

An invitation was extended to inspect the series of historical pictures presented by the chapter to the Provincial Normal School. The visit to the school was paid this afternoon.

There was an interesting discussion on Food Conservation which was continued at the afternoon session.

Mrs. John A. Morrison of Fredericton has been proposed for life membership, the latter being the gift of her husband and son.

WOMEN FOR SUBWAY GUARDS.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

New York, Oct. 16.—On account of the shortage of man power due to war conditions, women will soon be installed as subway guards during the rush hours, by the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, it was announced today.

THE BULGARIAN PEOPLE WEARYING OF THE WAR

Begining to Realize Now That Germany Cannot Win---The Government Said to be Extremely Unpopular at Present Time

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Oct. 16.—The Times, in an article headed "Bulgaria's War Weariness," says:

"The Radoslavoff government is extremely unpopular. The Premier and his friends could not hold thirty of the 345 seats in the Sobranje if the elections took place now. Bulgaria is beginning to see that Germany cannot win, and therefore Bulgaria cannot keep Macedonia and Dobrudja. To promote dissension and dissatisfaction with the Radoslavoff policy, there is added the exasperation of notorious corruption. Many persons in Bulgaria believe that Radoslavoff and Toulcheff, the finance minister, made large fortunes out of the war. They have, it is suspected, taken their price from Germany."

The Bulgarian people as a whole, says the writer, never altogether favored German connection, and are desperately tired of having their manhood in the trenches. The Sobranje meets on Monday, and it seems likely that Radoslavoff will be defeated and will resign. What the policy of the opposition will be it would be rash to prophesy, but the change may be of real importance, with consequences as unwelcome to Germany as it will be welcome to an overwhelming majority of the Bulgarian people and the army.

QUIET ON THE ROUMANIAN FRONT.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—The following Roumanian official communication was received here last evening: "There is quiet along the whole front. Our artillery has directed a weak fire against the enemy to prevent him from constructing fortifications. The enemy has strongly bombarded two heights ten kilometres southwest of Savasa and also the Varnitz, Sibronsti and Marasetti regions."

CLAIM HUNS HAVE RIGHT TO USE DUTCH WATERWAY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16.—Members of the Dutch commission state that Holland is obligated under the Rhine Navigation Convention, to which all nations interested in the navigation of the Rhine participated, to permit the use by Germany of the Netherlands waterways connected with the Rhine. For this reason, it was asserted, Holland could not prevent the non-war use of these waterways by Germany without violating a treaty. It was stated that earlier in the war the Dutch government had prohibited the use of the waterways by Germany for the transportation of loot from Belgium to Germany. Holland, it was declared, was unaware of any military use Germany has made of her waterways, and stood ready, upon proof by Great Britain that Germany was so using them, to put an end to that traffic. It was added, however, that Holland had sent her own military officers to Belgium to discover the uses to which concrete-making materials were put by Germany, and in every instance had found them to be non-military.

French Warships Destroy Two of Enemy Submarines

THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT IS AGAIN AT WORK

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Oct. 16.—Parliament reassembled today after a recess of two months, and began grappling with a big grist of legislative and administrative work. Its most important duty will be the passing of a new vote of credit. This probably will bring up for discussion the general war situation, but it will be a few days before that business is reached.

For today there is nothing more exciting on the schedule than the second reading of the bill giving the government control over all petroleum, and the consideration of the titles deprivation bill, which is aimed at those who took up arms against Great Britain and her allies.

The chief interest centres in the proposal that the government will take advantage of the opportunity to announce the general policy of its air service, a subject which has been brought into the foreground by the recent raids over London.

Mr. H. S. McKean of St. John is at the Barker House.

Fight Took Place in the Mediterranean Late in September---German Attack on the Verdun Front Last Night was Repulsed---Air Raids Over Belgium.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

PARIS, Oct. 15.—French warships destroyed two Teuton submarines in the western Mediterranean in the last week of September, according to information received today by the French ministry of marine.

A German attack on the Verdun front last night was repulsed by the French, it is announced officially. The statement follows: "On the Aisne front the artillery fighting was less intensive. We made two successful attacks on the German lines, one east of Rheims, the other in the Argonne, in the region of Boureuilles. Our detachments destroyed numerous shelters and brought back prisoners. On the left bank of the Meuse we repulsed a German attack north of Hill 304. On the right bank of the river the artillery fighting was especially severe in the sector north of Caurieres wood. Elsewhere the night was calm. German aviators dropped bombs last night in the region of Dunkirk. There were no victims, and no material damage was caused."

GERMAN ARTILLERY AND BOMB THROWERS BEFORE DIXMUDE SILENCED BY ENEMY GUNS

PARIS, Oct. 16.—The official statement from Belgian headquarters last night reads: "Yesterday one of our patrols carried out a reconnoitering expedition against enemy organizations north of Dixmude. There were bombardments at various points along our front. Our artillery shelled the enemy installations and the neighborhood of Hanzaeme canal. Last night German aviators dropped several bombs on our cantonments. Today there was great artillery activity and violent bomb fighting before Dixmude during the whole morning. The Germans launched several thousand projectiles of all calibres and numerous aerial torpedoes against our lines. Our artillery replied very energetically in co-operation with our trench guns, which only ceased action after having silenced the enemy artillery and bomb throwers early in the afternoon."

TWO GERMAN MACHINES WERE BROUGHT DOWN BY BRITISH AIR RAIDERS IN BELGIUM

LONDON, Oct. 16.—The aerial raids over Belgium were continued yesterday. In patrol encounters two German machines were driven down. The following official statement was issued today:

"A considerable number of patrols were carried out yesterday by naval craft, in the course of which several enemy airplane formations were encountered. Two enemy machines were driven down. One of our machines is missing. During the past twenty-four hours bombing raids were carried out on the following objectives: The Bruges docks, Varsenaere airdrome and Houttaye airdrome. Large quantities of explosives were dropped with good effect, all our machines returning."

A TORY PRAISES MR. CARVELL

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Kingston, Ont., Oct. 16.—In an interview today with the Kingston Daily Standard, Dr. J. W. Edwards, M. P., of Frontenac, not only strongly endorsed the union government, but declared that he will give loyal support to the new Minister of Public Works, the Hon. Mr. F. B. Carvell, with whom the Frontenac member has often crossed swords. His statement follows:

"No matter what I may think of Mr. Carvell's personality, or our love-feasts in the Commons, I recognize he possesses some strong characteristics which in my judgment he has weakened by his tactics in debate. However, he has been chosen for an important portfolio in the union government, and as far as I am concerned he will receive as loyal support from me as from any other member of the House. He has in this crisis risen above partisanship, and I place that above everything else and am willing to recognize the lofty motives that have actuated him. Personal considerations should have no weight in matters of such vital importance, and so far as I am concerned they will not happen. I will loyally support him in everything that makes for the nation's welfare and for the winning of the war."

Mr. S. T. Coates of Amherst, is a guest at the Queen.

Mr. G. S. MacBeth of St. John, is registered at the Queen.

Mrs. J. F. Fraser, Mrs. Duval and Mrs. J. B. Travers of St. John, are at the Queen.

Mr. L. A. Soucy of Edmundston and Mr. L. A. St. Cyr of St. Basil, are registered at the Queen.

N. S. LIBERALS HOLDING CAUCUS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 16.—Representative Liberals from all over the province have arrived in the city for a party caucus which will be held today. The whole political situation will be discussed and the question of Nova Scotia's representation in the new union government will also be considered.

Those who have been called to Halifax by Premier Murray are the Liberal members and the Liberal candidates who have been nominated for the House of Commons. As a result of the non-arrival of several of the members the meeting will not take place until late tonight.

Premier Murray is to attend the dinner at Government House, at which the Governor General will be present, and in consequence of this the caucus will be very late. It is probable the meeting will not open until after eleven o'clock tonight.

DRYS WIN A BIG VICTORY.

Des Moines, Iowa, Oct. 16.—Returns today from more than two-thirds of the precincts of the state on the election of constitutional prohibition, held in Iowa yesterday, indicate that the amendment forbidding the manufacture and sale of liquor was adopted by a majority of about ten thousand. Prohibition by statute prevails in Iowa at present.