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Many Casualties From Air Raid on the Kentish Coast

Official Statement Says That 107 Persons Were Killed and 86 Injured---Six Airplanes Took Part---Many Bombs Dropped on Town of Chatham.

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

LONDON, Sept. 4.—In last night's air raid 107 persons were killed and 86 wounded at Chatham, it is announced officially today. The victims were naval ratings. Six airplanes took part in the raid. Chatham is on the east bank of the Medway, thirty miles southeast of London. It is the seat of immense military and naval establishments, including a vast dockyard, an arsenal and barracks. The announcement follows:

LORD FRENCH GIVES OUT SOME DETAILS IN AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT ISSUED TODAY

"Lord French reports that last night's air raid was carried out by about six enemy airplanes, which proceeded up the south bank of the Thames estuary to Chatham. Bombs were dropped in the Isle of Thanet and in the Sheerness-Chatham area, between 10.40 and 11.30 p.m. There were no army casualties. Civilian casualties reported at present are: Killed, one; injured, six. The material damage was slight. Our machines went up and anti-aircraft guns came into action, but without result.

"The account of the Admiralty reports that in the course of the air raid last night the following casualties were caused to naval ratings: Killed, 107; wounded, 86."

RAIDS WERE PROBABLY MADE WITH A VIEW TO TESTING THE POSSIBILITY OF MOONLIGHT ATTACKS

LONDON, Sept. 4.—The raids over the southeast coast of England on Sunday and Monday nights seem to have been more for the purpose of testing the possibility of attack by moonlight than in the hope of gaining any probable damage. Like the aviator who dropped bombs on Dover Sunday night, those who came last night kept at a very high altitude, and while their machines could be heard, they could not be seen. Nevertheless British airplanes went up in pursuit.

After dropping bombs over a wide area, many of them falling into field or sea, the raiders departed as quickly as they came. Dispatches thus far received say very little damage was done. No casualties have been reported.

BRITISH AVIATORS MAKE RAIDS OVER BELGIUM

Submarine Shelters and Railway Sidings at Bruges Attacked---British Airman Fought Six German Machines Single Handed.

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

LONDON, Sept. 4.—Continuing their raids over Belgium, British aviators on Sunday night made attacks in the vicinity of Bruges. A British airplane fought six Germans and shot down one of them. The following is the official account:

"Naval aircraft made a bombing raid at midnight Sunday on the docks of submarine shelters and railway sidings at Bruges. Bombs were observed to explode over the objectives, and fire was caused adjacent to the lock gates of the Extuse canal. A raid also was made early Monday morning on the airdrome at Varsenaere, five miles southwest of Bruges. Bombs were seen to explode among the sheds. One of our machines was attacked by six hostile aircraft and succeeded in shooting down one, completely out of control. In an engagement between one of our aircraft patrols and enemy machines there were three decisive combats. One of our machines failed to return."

CANADIAN OFFICERS IN ENGLAND NOT PLEASED WITH REGULATION

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

LONDON, Sept. 4.—Canadian officers here are manifesting some irritation over the reiteration of a regulation which prohibits soldiers in uniform from participation in political or other public meetings. They assert that this leaves it open to pacifist cranks and others who are not engaged in the war to talk and demonstrate against the people that the soldiers are fighting for. "If," it added, "no opposition is to be forthcoming to such petty demonstrations, then a false impression will go abroad that the country acquiesces in the attitude of the anti-war element." It is further maintained that if the regulation complained of is strictly enforced in Canada during the election campaign, the soldiers' interests will be seriously prejudiced.

NORMAL SCHOOL REOPENED TODAY

About 250 in Attendance—Twenty-six Young Men—Faculty Meeting This Afternoon.

The Provincial Normal school opened this morning after the summer vacation with an enrolment of about 250 students. Of that number twenty-six are young men, less than the average. This morning temporary arrangements were made and this afternoon a meeting of the faculty is being held for the purpose of classification for the term. About 110 are entered for Second Class, fifty-six for Third Class and seventy for First Class.

Thirty-nine fine pictures of subjects connected with British History have been presented to the Normal School by the Daughters of the Empire and will be placed in the corridors and class rooms of the building.

The Normal students arrived yesterday and last evening and the usual scenes of activity in the search for boarding houses took place.

Backward Haying Season.

Many farmers throughout the country have not finished cutting their hay, and have given up hope of getting it harvested in good condition. Grain has been ripening quite fast and they found it necessary to suspend haying operations and go after the more valuable product. Scarcity of help has been a serious hardship to the farmers this season.

PATRIOTIC FETE A GREAT SUCCESS

Gross Receipts About \$2,000—Red Cross Society and Labor Council Worked Together.

The Patriotic Fete held on the Barrack Square and in the armory on Labor Day was an unqualified success. The gross receipts were about \$2,000. A large number of people attended the fete. The numerous visitors to the city patronized the entertainment extensively.

The various games were well patronized and with the drawings took in large sums of money.

In the grand drawing the prizes were won by the following numbers: 1st, No. 2,988; 2nd, No. 2,698; 3rd, No. 2,595. The gate prize was won by No. 914. The first prize in the grand drawing was won by Mr. Arthur Baxter.

Miss Rae Parlee of St. John, who has been spending a few days in the city, returned home last night.

MORE ARRESTS ARE MADE IN DYNAMITING CASE

Montreal Police Now Have Eleven Men In Custody---Have Been Under Surveillance for Several Days.

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

MONTREAL, Sept. 4.—During last night the police rounded up five members in connection with the recent attempts to murder Lord Athelstan, and other anti-conscription leaders.

The police now have eleven men in custody, including participants in street parades accused of carrying concealed weapons. The men placed under detention for examination are Nere Arsenaull, laborer, Masson street; Joseph Tremblay, laborer, Chateaubriand street; Joseph Paquette, steam fitter, Henry Julien street; Louis Boldue, Bourbonnaise street, and Arthur Blackwell, tool maker, Bourbonnaise street.

The police during yesterday and today, as a result of confessions of men under detention have now located all of the dynamite stolen by the terrorists in connection with their anti-conscription campaign except fifty pounds. The officers have been watching most of the men taken last night for several days and the suspects, except in one case, offered no opposition. In one instance a suspect drew a revolver, but the officers disarmed him before he could use it.

Anti-Conscription Plots.

With most of the men suspected of complicity in the dynamiting outrages here under lock and key, the police today gave out details of the anti-conscription plots that have been uncovered here and frustrated.

The anti-conscription dynamiters here had mapped out the following programme: First, the murder of Lord Athelstan as he drove from his country house to Montreal; next to dynamite his lordship's home and office in the Montreal Star; then, Solicitor General Arthur Meighen was to be assassinated in Ottawa; the Prime Minister, Sir Robert Borden, to be murdered, and the Parliament buildings at Ottawa dynamited.

Police are now tracing clues that lead to a French-Canadian with strong German sympathies as responsible for the plot.

CANADIANS ARE WELL TREATED IN SWITZERLAND

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

London, Sept. 4.—Canadian prisoners who have been held in Switzerland are now filtering through in small groups in order to make room in the Swiss camps for further exchanges from Switzerland.

All the men testify to the uniform kindness they received at the hands of the Swiss, and state that the conditions provided for the prisoners in Switzerland are as satisfactory as could be expected under the circumstances.

MACROBBIE WAS MURDERED, SAYS CORONER'S JURY

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

Hamilton, Ont., Sept. 4.—After over an hour's deliberation the jury empanelled under Coroner McNichol to enquire into the mysterious death of Dr. MacRobbie on the night of August 19, on Monday night returned a verdict that the fracture of the skull was caused by blows by some weapon delivered by one of the four persons, Smith, McAuliffe, Scott and Asselline.

Warrants were immediately issued for the men, three of whom are being held on a nominal charge of vagrancy. The men are charged with causing the death of Dr. MacRobbie.

INTERNAL SITUATION IN RUSSIA IS NOT VERY ENCOURAGING

Government is Still Dominated by Irresponsible Forces--The Army Reform Scheme Still in Abeyance---Kaiser Congratulates Prince Leopold.

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

LONDON, Sept. 4.—The Petrograd correspondent of the Times, in a despatch dated Sunday, views the internal situation pessimistically. "The government," he says, "is still dominated by irresponsible forces. General Korniloff has been obliged to take personal control of food to victual the army, and has ordered the forcible distribution of cereals among the peasants within the war zones, and is negotiating with railway men with a view to satisfying their just grievances. His programme of army reform is still in suspense.

KAISER SENDS CHARACTERISTIC MESSAGE TO PRINCE LEOPOLD ON THE CAPTURE OF RIGA

BERLIN, via London, Sept. 4.—Emperor William has sent the following telegram to the Empress:

"Field Marshal Prince Leopold of Bavaria reports the capture of Riga by our troops, which is a new milestone of German strength and unerring will to victory. May God help us further."

The Emperor has telegraphed Prince Leopold as follows: "On the occasion of the capture of Riga, I express to you and the eighth army my own and the Fatherland's congratulations and thanks. Far-seeing leadership and a steady head have guaranteed this fine success. Onward with God."

AUSTRIANS CLAIM TO HAVE REPULSED RUSSO-ROUMANIAN ATTACKS ON THE EASTERN FRONT

VIENNA, via London, Sept. 4.—The Austrian official communication issued yesterday says:

"On the Roumanian front, northwest of Fokshani and south of Ocna, the Russians and Roumanians again have attacked in vain. In the Italian theatre operations by our troops before daybreak Sunday on Mont San Gabriele led to lively encounters, in which the results were favorable to us. During the afternoon and evening strong attacks on the northern slopes of Mont San Gabriele, east of Gorizia and near Jamiabo also were unsuccessful for the enemy. Italian aviators have dropped bombs on several towns on the west coast of Istria. An enemy aviation squadron, making for Trieste, was driven back by our naval planes before it reached its objective."

BAVARIANS TO HELP AUSTRIANS.

GENEVA, Sept. 4.—A despatch from Innsbruck says that after several appeals Field Marshal Von Hindenburg has consented to send two divisions of Bavarian troops from the Russian to the Isonzo front to straighten the Austrian defences.

HEAVY AUSTRIAN LOSSES.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—German reinforcements rushed to the aid of the Austrians on the Italian front are being pushed back, according to official despatches received here from Rome. Unofficial estimates place the Austrian losses during the present Italian offensive at 128,500.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE TO BE HELD BY ENTENTE ALLIES IN PARIS

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 4.—Word reached Washington from Paris through official channels yesterday, that the Entente Allies will soon hold an important military conference in the French capital for the purpose of re-canvassing the situation along all the principal fighting fronts. The Russian situation will be considered in the conference on account of the disasters that have befallen the Russian armies on the Riga and Galician fronts, and in the drive of the Germans against the Roumanian front. These reverses and the subsequent success of the Italian offensive are reported to bring about a complete revision of the Entente military plans for the fall and winter months.

FRANCHISE BILL ON WEDNESDAY

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

Montreal, Sept. 4.—An Ottawa despatch to the Gazette says the new franchise bill, designated "a war time election act," will be introduced on Wednesday. It will receive the support of a number of the Liberal conscriptionists, but will be opposed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier's following, and closure will probably have to be used to pass it through the Commons.

JAIL TERMS FOR I.W.W. AGITATORS

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

Sydney, N. S., Sept. 4.—The authorities are continuing vigorously their attempts to put an end to the activities of Industrial Workers of the World. Three more members of the society here, and thirty-four at Broken Hill have been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for belonging to an unlawful association.