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GERMAN OFFICERS ARE LOSING CONTROL OVER THEIR SOLDIERS

Report That Hun Officer Was Executed by His Own Men Has Been Confirmed ---Morale of the German Army is Becoming Bad.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

With the British Armies in France and Belgium, Oct. 24.—The report that British troops had found a German officer who had been executed by his own soldiers, the body having the hands bound behind the back, has been confirmed. The incident occurred at a redoubt south of Poelcapelle during the recent fighting. The reason for his execution was that the German privates desired to surrender, and the officer refused to give up his stronghold without a struggle.

This affair is another link tending to substantiate statements made by prisoners, that the German officers commanding certain bodies of troops along the Flanders front are losing control over their men.

One non-commissioned officer belonging to the 10th Bavarian Division, who was captured about the middle of October, asserted, as had other prisoners before, that the officers were losing their grip on the men. He said that desertions in the rear are very frequent, and cited the case of thirteen men of his own company who had deserted a fortnight before, declaring that they were going home. Some were arrested on the way, but others actually reached their homes.

GERMAN CIVILIANS ARE RAISING AN OUTCRY AS TO WHY THE GREAT WAR IS BEING PROLONGED

Four of these men were brought back to their company as prisoners, but the officer did not know whether any of them had been punished.

A captured officer of the Guard reserve division, who had joined his regiment in the middle of October, declared that the morale in Germany was very bad and that the civilians were raising an outcry as to why the war being prolonged. Throughout the country, he said, there was talk of an end to the Hohenzollerns and the establishment of a republic.

This officer further said the authorities had already called up the 1920 class in Brunswick. Germany was suffering from a serious shortage of horses and there was a great scarcity of canvas, as a result of which the manufacture of tents had virtually ceased, huts being erected instead.

BRITISH AIRPLANES HAVE BROUGHT DOWN 16 ZEPPELINS UNDER DIFFICULT CONDITIONS

LONDON, Oct. 25.—In the course of his weekly talk with the Associated Press yesterday, Major General F. B. Maurice, chief director of military operations at the War Office, said:

"It is no discredit to the British airmen that while they did not bring down a single Zeppelin, the French airmen brought down five, in the course of the Zeppelin visit a few days ago.

"No French airman would think of comparing the task which they had of attacking the Zeppelins in broad daylight when the airships were, after a long flight and the attacks of British airmen, partly crippled, while the invaders were still fresh. Incidentally, it may be said, the British air service since the beginning of the war has brought down sixteen Zeppelins under conditions far more difficult than those under which the French were so successful the other day."

Discussing the work of the British airplanes on the western front, he said: "During September our bombing machines made 226 raids, dropping on the Germans 7,886 bombs, representing 135 tons of explosives. In the same period the Germans dropped almost exactly 1,000 bombs on the British.

FEW REPORTING FOR SERVICE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Halifax, Oct. 25.—The total registrations in the Halifax district to date are 3,702. Of this number 3,132 have made application for exemption, and 570 have reported for military service. Yesterday 369 claimed exemption and 36 reported for service.

AUTHORITIES ARE RETICENT

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Halifax, Oct. 25.—There are no new developments today in connection with the arrest of Dr. MacCarton, the alleged Sinn Feiner.

The military authorities will not give out any information regarding his detention, or what disposition is to be made of him. It is believed that he is being detained on a British ship and under guard.

WILL STAND BY SIR WILFRID

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Knowlton, Que., Oct. 25.—After selecting William Redver, merchant, as Liberal candidate for the provincial election, rendered necessary by the elevation of Hon. W. F. Vilas to the Legislative Council, the Liberal convention held here yesterday passed a resolution pledging its loyalty to Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

MILK PRODUCERS STAND FIRM.

Declare They Will Go Out of Business
If They Can't Get Better Price.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, Oct. 25.—The milk committee finished the examination of dairy farmers and producers at the session yesterday afternoon. The witnesses examined corroborate the evidence of the morning emphatically, that if a better price was not paid to the producer for his milk, and if better conditions could not be had, the producers would simply go out of business.

TORONTO LIBERALS WILL FIGHT UNION

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Toronto, Oct. 25.—The central executive of the Toronto Liberal Association, in session here last night, decided to contest all ridings in the city in which union government candidates are placed. The committee has also appealed to all Liberal organizations outside the city to place at once Liberal candidates in the various constituencies, as they say, "to fight the battles of the people and not allow the moneyed interests to become entrenched at Ottawa under the guise of a union government."

The organization placed itself on record as being opposed to the action of F. F. Pardee in pledging his support to the new union party at the nomination meeting in Sarnia yesterday.

CHATHAM HOTEL IS DAMAGED

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Chatham, N. B., Oct. 25.—Fire a little after midnight considerably damaged the Touraine Hotel here, driving forty men and women to the street. Some were rescued from upper stories by means of ladders.

MME. MELBA INJURED.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Fort Worth, Texas, Oct. 25.—Mme. Nellie Melba, opera singer, was painfully injured during the presentation of "Faust" here last night, when a row of lights at the back of the stage fell and struck her. She was bruised about the body and for ten minutes was in a semi-conscious condition. Mme. Melba resumed her role after the curtain had been lowered for 20 minutes.

HORSE THIEF PUNISHED.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Montreal, Oct. 25.—Jean Baptiste Michaud, who stole five horses from a farmer and sold them to an abattoir, was this morning sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary.

THE SITUATION IN IRELAND REGARDED AS SERIOUS

Western Section Said to be on the Verge of Armed Rebellion--Conscription would Probably Settle Sinn Feiners.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Oct. 25.—The seriousness of the situation in Ireland is insisted upon by a correspondent of the Daily Mail, who has been following the Sinn Fein doings in Ireland for several weeks. He declares that the whole of west Ireland is on the verge of armed rebellion, and continues:

"The young priests in Professor De Valera's train have suddenly awakened to the danger of the spark they helped to kindle, and are now trying to quench it, but I fear it has gone too far. The Sinn Feiners are sublimely confident and say that Tuesday's debate in Parliament shows plainly that the government is afraid of them. There is not the slightest doubt that the rock around which the troubled waters are now swirling is the question of conscription. If it were definitely announced by the government and leaders of opinion in Great Britain that no endeavor would be made to enforce conscription in Ireland before another general election, it is possible that leaders of the Sinn Fein would refrain from starting trouble."

The police are now arresting several of the leaders in Cork and Limerick, but the Sinn Feiners say that these are small fry and do not matter. They boast that the authorities dare not arrest Prof. De Valera and Countess Markievitz. Editorially, the Daily Mail emphasizes the extreme gravity of the Irish situation as revealed in Tuesday's debate in the House of Commons. It infers that "the point of irresponsible conflict is being approached."

BRITAIN WILL CONTINUE WAR UNTIL PRUSSIAN MILITARISM IS CRUSHED

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Oct. 25.—Great Britain's determination to fight on until German militarism is crushed was emphasized yesterday by Sir Edward Carson, head of the War Aims Committee, at Portsmouth, and by Lieut. General Smuts, Privy Councillor, at Sheffield, where respectively they addressed meetings under the auspices of the War Aims Committee. Sir Edward Carson said the war had entered the phase where the question with Great Britain was "whether we are going to prove superior in striking power to the Germans and our other enemies." He added that Great Britain would not make any peace without concurrence and consent of her dominions and her allies.

General Smuts said that to his mind there was only one great and dominating war aim, "the end of militarism and the end of standing armies."

Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, First Sea Lord, who also spoke at Sheffield, declared: "The war is all but won. We have only to set our teeth and the war will be won."

French Troops Bring Down Twenty-Five Enemy Aircraft

OLEOMARGARINE FREE ONLY AS A WAR MEASURE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, Oct. 25.—An order-in-council has been passed, upon the recommendation of the food controller, allowing, on and after November 14, the manufacture and sale in Canada of oleomargarine and its importation free of duty. Suspension of the prohibition of its manufacture, import or sale is a war measure only, and will apply while the present high prices continue. The conclusion of such condition will be determined by the Governor-General-in-council.

Persons wishing to manufacture or import oleomargarine must first obtain a license from the food controller.

Oleomargarine produced in Canada must be produced under the supervision of the Minister of Agriculture, and no oleomargarine may be imported into the Dominion unless it has been manufactured under government supervision in the country exporting.

THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

New York, Oct. 25.—Wall Street: Steamship shares were the prominent feature at the irregular opening of today's stock market, advancing one to two points. The inquiry for these issues was greater than that shown by any other branch of the stock list.

United States Steel and other active industrials and equipments moved within very narrow limits and rails manifested all of their recent uncertainty. St. Paul common and preferred and Union preferred losing one to two points.

Mr. A. W. Covey of St. John, is a guest at the Barker House.
Mr. A. T. Murchie of St. Stephen, is in the city.

Further Satisfactory Progress Made in The Big Offensive---Another Position Captured---Roumanians Prepared to Fight to the Bitter End.

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

PARIS, Oct. 25.—Further progress was made last night by the French on the Aisne front between Chavignon and Mont des Singes. The French War Office statement issued this afternoon says that the farm of Rohay was captured by the French and that a number of prisoners were taken.

Twenty-five German airplanes were brought down by French pilots last night or compelled to land in a damaged condition. The announcement follows:

"North of the Aisne the situation in the sector between Braye-en-Laonnois and Chavignon, was not changed during the night. On the front between Mont des Singes and Chavignon our troops made further progress and reached Rohay farm. The number of prisoners taken up to last night in this region exceeds five hundred.

"There were vigorous artillery engagements in the region of Cerny en Laonnois, especially in the sector of Vauxmaisons, where we dispersed German patrols which attempted to approach our lines east of Cerny. An attack on the Sapigneul Bridgehead which the enemy made after a violent bombardment, was repulsed.

"On the left bank of the Meuse there was heavy artillery fighting in the sector of Chaume wood. In the region of Eparges we carried out a detailed operation which enabled us to bring back prisoners.

"German aviators threw down two bombs on Nancy. There were no victims. During the night of October 24, twenty-five German airplanes were brought down by our pilots or fell disabled in the enemy lines."

QUEEN MARIE DECLARES THAT ROUMANIANS WILL FIGHT UNTIL CAUSE IS VINDICATED

JASSY, Roumania, via Petrograd, Oct. 23.—Roumania will fight to the bitter end, until the struggle for the freedom of the world and the restoration of the rights of small nations is achieved, Queen Marie of Roumania told the Associated Press.

"Never will we lay down our arms until the cause to which we have consecrated our lives is vindicated," declared the Queen, her voice full of determination and emotion.

Attired in the uniform of a Red Cross nurse, she presented a picture of simplicity and dignity. From under the hood of her uniform her face appeared delicately moulded and deeply expressive of gentleness and compassion. A stranger might have taken the Queen for the mother superior of a convent, except for her youthful appearance.

It required stout hearts, she said, to face the renewed onslaughts of a foe who was profiting by Russia's failure, and she expected that efforts again would be concentrated against the Roumanian front.

RUSSIAN OFFICERS AT OESSEL ISLAND MADE MOST HEROIC EFFORTS TO RALLY THEIR MEN

PETROGRAD, Oct. 25.—How the Germans were aided in the capture of Oesel and Moon Islands, in the Gulf of Riga, by sympathizers there, is told by M. Vishnevsky, a commissioner sent to observe conditions there and who escaped in an open boat after the occupation. He describes the heroic efforts made by the officers to rally their men and asserts that several of them, including General Martineff, commander of the garrison, committed suicide when the troops surrendered.

That the Germans had knowledge of conditions on the islands is indicated by the fact that when aviator Safonov brought down a German hydro-aeroplane the dad occupant was found to have complete plans, not only of existing, but of proposed fortresses. On the plans places were marked for bombing.

Gen. Martineff's scouts frequently observed lanterns flashing from the shore, and upon investigation found a deserted cabin with a ladder leading to the roof. Squares of canvas found lying on the ground were removed, but later were replaced by a mysterious hand.

BORDEN APPEALS TO CANDIDATES OPERATORS TO GET INCREASE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Montreal, Oct. 25.—A despatch to the Gazette from Ottawa says: Sir Robert Borden has issued an appeal to union candidates for the same constituency to come to an understanding and eliminate extra candidates supporting the government. The Prime Minister must designate government candidates for overseas voting. In event of there being two government supporters in the field for a constituency, it will be a difficult task for the minister to make a selection.

The Hon. W. S. Fielding will probably be a candidate in support of the union government. Yarmouth-Clare, Nova Scotia, is mentioned as his likely constituency.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 25.—The Wabash Railway today announced a ten per cent. increase in wages for its telegraph operators.

About six hundred men will be affected.

B. & M. TROUBLE SETTLED.

Boston, Oct. 25.—The wage controversy between the Boston and Maine Railway and 5,000 freight yard and station employees was settled today shortly before the hour set for the strike, through an agreement to arbitrate. The men will remain at work pending an adjustment of their demands.