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## THIRTY AIRPLANES TOOK PART IN RAID OVER ENGLAND LAST NIGHT

### Three of Them Penetrated to the Heart Of London---Casualties Were Light ---British Aviators Also Getting in Their Skillful Work.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Nov. 1.—About thirty airplanes, in seven groups, took part in last night's air raid. Three of them penetrated to the heart of London, says an official report today. The casualties and damage were slight.

The official announcement says: "Determined and repeated attacks were made upon London last night by groups of hostile aircraft. The first group of raiders crossed the Kentish coast at about 10.40 p. m., and proceeded towards London over Kent. They did not penetrate far inland, however, but turned in an easterly direction and dropped bombs at various places in and near the coast.

### THE RAIDERS CAME IN GROUPS, WHICH WERE BROKEN UP BY BARRAGE FIRE FROM ARTILLERY

"Meanwhile two more groups of raiders were steering toward London along the south bank of the Thames. The sky was half to three quarters covered with thin, low clouds, which rendered it extremely difficult to observe the enemy machines. None the less, their altitude was correctly calculated and they were broken up by barrage fire on the southeastern outskirts of the Metropolitan area at about 11.50 p. m., where some bombs were dropped.

"The fourth group of machines, which came along the Thames estuary, was turned back about half way to London. Meanwhile the fifth group crossed the Essex coast at about 12.12 and steered toward London by way of the north bank, and one or more penetrated into southeast London.

"The sixth group followed along the same course about a quarter of an hour later. Some of these also penetrated into southeast London, where bombs were dropped."

### GALES AND RAIN DID NOT PREVENT BRITISH AIRPLANES CO-OPERATING WITH THE TROOPS

LONDON, Nov. 1.—The following communication dealing with aviation was issued last evening: "Yesterday a strong gale and a driving rain prevented much flying, though our airplanes co-operated with the attacking troops on the battle front throughout the day and accomplished much successful artillery work. After midnight, when the weather suddenly cleared, our bombing squadrons dropped over two tons of explosives on the Roulers and Ingelmunster stations, as well as on moving trains and hostile billets. One German machine was downed in a combat and one of our machines is missing.

### BRITISH AIRMEN DROP BOMBS ON THE ENEMY STEEL WORKS AT VALKINGEN, IN PRUSSIA

"Following on those of Monday night and yesterday morning, an air raid in Germany was carried out by our machines last night. On this occasion the steel works and stations at Valkingen, province of Prussia, on the Rhine, were attacked with excellent results. Direct hits were observed on a furnace and power house and on a train. The weather, which was bright and fine during the early part of the raid, turned later into rain and snow. In spite of this all our raiding machines returned except one."

### OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE CAPTURE OF THE CITY OF BEERSHEBA, IN PALESTINE

LONDON, Nov. 1.—The city of Beersheba, in Palestine, has been captured by the British, it is announced officially.

An official statement of the operations in Egypt says that with reference to a Turkish communication on Sunday claiming to have inflicted a severe check on the British troops, the advances are reported by General Allenby as follows:

"On Saturday our lines of cavalry posts thrown out in advance of our main position was attacked by a force of three thousand Turks with twelve guns. Though outnumbered and enveloped on both flanks, detachments of the London Yeomanry fought with great gallantry, holding their positions for six hours until assistance arrived, and thereby rendering great service to their infantry comrades. Repeated charges by Turkish cavalry resulted in only a slight gain of ground at the expense of heavy losses. Our casualties were under one hundred."

### TO LICENSE FOOD DEALERS. FRED BOYD NOW IN ENGLAND.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Washington, Nov. 1.—One hundred thousand manufacturers, wholesalers and other distributors of staple food will be placed under license today by the food administration for the duration of the war. Small retailers will not be licensed, but they are subject to the provisions of the food law itself, which forbids speculation, hoarding and excessive profits.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Nov. 1.—Seven Canadians who recently escaped from Germany have reached England. They include F. Boyd, of the Mounted Rifles, belonging to Fredericton, N.B. All the men adopted pretty well the same methods of escape, travelling by night and sleeping by day, and all look fit, despite their hardships. They expect to return to Canada almost immediately.

## RELIEF FROM COAL SHORTAGE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Washington, Nov. 1.—Immediate relief from the coal shortage in the east was promised last night by the fuel administration, which will issue an order today modifying the arrangement under which shipments to the northwest have been given preference over all other movements.

Priority orders will be suspended in a number of mining districts, particularly in Pennsylvania, to release both bituminous and anthracite coal for munitions plants and domestic consumers in the larger cities along the Atlantic seaboard.

### New Garage Company.

George T. Knight, Robert Brayley, James D. LeBlanc, all of Moncton, have been incorporated under the name of the Victoria Garage and Motor Company, Ltd., with capital stock of \$45,000 and head office at Moncton.

### River Full of Driftwood.

The rise of several feet which took place in the river here as the result of the heavy rains of the past few days has caused a heavy run of driftwood and logs. Many of the latter which were stranded on the banks have been floated off by the rise of water.

### Home on Leave.

Pte. Harry Ralston, late of the 26th Battalion, is visiting his home at Devon. He is on leave from Kentville, N. S., where he has been undergoing treatment for tuberculosis at the military hospital.

### Hallowe'en Party.

About forty guests were entertained last night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Minue, Aberdeen street, where a Hallowe'en party was held. Fancy costumes and masks were worn by all and an enjoyable evening was spent in the usual games. A supper was served at midnight and the party broke up at four o'clock this morning.

### Returned from Western States.

Mr. Dow D. Grass, son of the late Alby D. Grass of Rusagornis, is spending a few weeks at his former home, having returned recently from the western states. He has been located in Phoenix, Ariz., lately. Mr. Grass has been in Fredericton several times.

### Hallowe'en Celebration.

Hallowe'en passed off last night without too much damage being done. Some fences were torn down and door steps removed but otherwise the night was quiet. Hallowe'en parties were numerous. One of the stunts practiced by many girls and young women was dressing in male attire and going about the streets. In one of the picture shows a party of them so dressed tried to take seats under cover of darkness but before they reached the seats the lights came on, to their embarrassment.

## TOO MANY ARTILLERYMEN WERE SECURED FOR OVERSEAS SERVICE

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

OTTAWA, Nov. 1.—A statement issued by the Department of Militia shows that General Sir Arthur Currie's total force in France is made up as follows: Four divisions and cavalry brigade, 78,000; fighting corps troops, 11,000; total fighting troops, 89,000. Army service corps and medical services 8,000; railway forestry labor, etc., 28,000. Total line of communication, 36,000. Grand total, 125,000.

The troops in England may be divided into the following categories: The 5th Division: Reserve units of the other four divisions; administrative troops, men in hospital. At present the Fifth Division numbers only some 12,000 or 13,000 men, of whom some 10,000 are infantry. Here is a clear example of the uneven flow of recruiting—more gunners than were needed, fewer foot soldiers, frustrating a project of increasing our forces at the front.

In hospital there were on a certain day recently some 15,000. These vary, of course, from the helplessly ill to convalescents. The administrative services absorb some 15,000 to 16,000 men. Coming to Canada, it may be stated that in round figures there are some 20,000 officers and men of the Canadian expeditionary force, of whom only 6,000 to 8,000 are infantry. Here we see the weakness to remedy which the Military Service Act was needed.

## BELGIAN AND BRITISH FORCES ARE DRIVING GERMANS FROM EAST AFRICA

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Nov. 1.—The following official communication was issued last night dealing with the operations in East Africa: "In the western area the German forces have been driven from the MMahenge district by combined operations of Belgian and British columns, and have retired to the vicinity of Mangira, on the Luweng river, east of Mahenge. A German covering detachment was dislodged from Kingoll, southwest of Mahenge, by a British column advancing from the south. The retreating Germans abandoned two guns.

"Liwale, a German administrative centre of some importance southwest of Kilwa, was occupied Monday by a detachment of General Northier's troops. Twenty-four German-Europeans were captured. To the south our patrols are active in the vicinity of Mahiwa, while Portuguese troops are in positions of readiness on the Rovuma river. It is confirmed that the enemy's losses in the recent fighting about Nyanza were severe. The minimum estimate, exclusive of wounded, is 53 German Europeans and 268 Askaris killed, and 241 Europeans and 677 Askaris captured."

## Situation on Western Front Is Much More Encouraging

### HUN SPY SYSTEM IS POWERFUL

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Nov. 1.—Sir Richard Cooper, in urging the alteration of Great Britain's naturalization laws in the House of Commons yesterday, declared that the German spy system was more powerful in some cases in Europe than an army of a million men.

Sir Richard added that German submarines had obtained information from enemy aliens in this country concerning ships leaving British ports, many of which had been sunk without trace.

Sir George Cave, the home secretary, in reply, said that the most dangerous spys in England, because they were the most difficult to detect, had not been German subjects.

## CASUALTIES FROM AIR RAID

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Nov. 1.—Eight persons were killed and twenty-one were injured in the German air raid last night according to an official statement issued today by the War Department.

### LEAVE IT TO HAIG.

(Glasgow Herald.)

It is sometimes suggested that more could be done than we are doing if we extend the range of our military objectives—made the Germans more closely acquainted with the efficiency of our aerial weapons by striking, say, at Essen or some other great industrial centre. We may be certain, however, that Sir Douglas Haig is not restrained from adventures in the direction of Essen by any reluctance to wipe Krupp and all its works off the face of the earth; and, possessed of that conviction, we may safely leave him to win the war in his own way.

### Runaway This Morning.

A runaway made things lively on Queen street and the highway bridge this morning. Fortunately no one was hurt.

### Licensed Clergymen.

Rev. Arthur H. Whitman of Dorchester and Rev. Kay Murray Vallis of Honeydale, Charlotte county, have been registered in New Brunswick to solemnize marriages.

Mrs. Clifford Cred and child are returning today from a visit to Maugeville.

## Another Wall of Steel Will Soon Face the Teutons---Disaster on Isonzo Has Welded Together All Sections of Italy ---Enemy Held in Check.

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Oct. 31.—Premier Lloyd George has said that the horrors of a Zeppelin raid received much attention, whereas, in their relative importance to vast sections of London remaining untouched, they are insignificant. Exactly the same conditions exist here, for while the horrors of the recent experience stand out boldly to those who went through, yet this is offset by the magnitude of the beneficial military and strategic results accomplished.

Exactly what these are cannot even be hinted at for the present, but the main fact is that another wall—another line of steel—will face the enemy and all Europe and America are now doing their part to second Italy's tremendous task.

### ALL NECESSARY STEPS ARE BEING TAKEN TO MEET THE SITUATION ON THE ISONZO FRONT

LONDON, Nov. 1.—The disaster on the Isonzo has welded together all sections of Italy and has suppressed political antagonism, says the Milan correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, who adds that everything is being done to meet the invasion.

Troops are being hurried from depots, and all available resources are being utilized for military purposes.

Hundreds of convalescent officers in all hospitals are demanding that they be sent to the front. Eight hundred such applications were made in Rome alone.

The whole third army of the Carso, with its guns and material, got away safely, the correspondent adds, and will give battle "when the time comes." The Austro-Germans are being held in check and the concentration on the Venetian plains is proceeding without hindrance.

### TIMES' MILITARY EXPERT THINKS ITALY'S AUSTRIAN FRONTIER IS TEMPORARILY LOST

LONDON, Nov. 1.—The military correspondent of the London Times says of the Italian operations:

"The fact that General Von Buelow, with an inconsiderable force of German troops, has burst through the Julian front, and that Austrian columns have found other badly defended points in the Carnic Alps, is certainly very unfortunate, and we have no need to minimize the gravity of the situation. Italy's Austrian frontier temporarily is lost."

The correspondent finds a silver lining to the cloud in that although the season approaches for the operations in France and Flanders to die down, there is nothing to prevent fighting on the Italian plains throughout the winter. He adds: "The Germans reckon us to the Italian front, and with a hearty good will we shall meet them."

### RETREATING ITALIAN TROOPS WERE CHEERFUL AND GOOD-NATURED; BRITISH GUNS WERE SAVED

LONDON, Nov. 1.—All the British guns with the Italian army were saved, according to a British correspondent at Italian headquarters, who says that the spirits of the British gunners are good. Lack of transports, which could not be allotted to them, was their whole trouble. One gun was so near having to be abandoned that the breech mechanism was destroyed. The gun was eventually saved.

The correspondent, who accompanied the retreat of the third Italian army from the Carso, in a despatch dated Tuesday, says that the troops were cheerful and good tempered, and it was evident that firmness of command could soon reorganize them into a fighting force. The correspondent says the situation undoubtedly is grave, but the silence which the interests of the army now impose must not be construed as an indication that things are worse than they actually are.

## ASKED TO FORM NEW CABINET IS SETTLED

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Madrid, Nov. 1.—King Alfonso has asked Antonio Mauras, the former premier, to form a cabinet. Senor Mauras is leader of the conservative party.

## MAY CONTROL LIQUOR TRADE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Nov. 1.—The British government, according to the Daily Express, is considering making its first experiment in state control of the liquor trade by assuming control of the manufacture and supply in Scotland.

On the success of the test would depend the extension of control to England, Ireland and Wales.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Portland, Maine, Nov. 1.—The strike of the Grand Trunk Pacific freight handlers was settled last night, after a hearing before the local adjustment commission. The scale agreed to was 33 to 35 cents an hour for ordinary freight, 38 cents an hour for ore, and 40 cents for overtime, Sundays and holidays. This is an average increase of about 5 cents an hour and is a compromise between the demands of the men and what was originally offered by the company.

### NO FURLONGHS FOR ANZACS.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, Nov. 1.—The Times' Sydney correspondent says the Australian minister of defence has abandoned the proposal to permit Australian divisions earliest in the field to enjoy a furlough home, as the imperial government is unable to agree to a similar request by the other dominions.