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BRITISH TRANSPORT CAMERONIA SUNK WITH LOSS OF LIFE

Waves of German Troops Attacked the French Lines

**Official Report Says The Enemy Assault Was a Failure---
Burning Liquid Used by the Huns North of Rheims---
Naval Brush in the North Sea**

PARIS, May 19.—The Germans once more returned to the attack on the Aisne front last night, hurling troops in waves against the French positions northwest of Braye-en-Laonnois. The French War Office announces that the Germans were unable to reach the lines of the French except on the extreme western part of the front, where some German detachments won a footing in some advanced trenches. Some prisoners remained in the hands of the French. The Germans used burning liquid in an unsuccessful attack near Rheims.

LONDON, May 19.—Naval commentators in the London morning papers regard the fight in the Adriatic as a raiding dash of the kind the Germans have made familiar in the North Sea. Similar raids have been previously made in the Straits of Otranto with some success, notably last July and December. The drifters, it is said, are used as watch vessels, but their tonnage and class is not stated. They are described as helpless against attack by gunboats.

PARIS, May 19.—A resolution calling for the independence of Luxemburg, in close union with France, England, Russia and the United States, has been adopted at a meeting of one thousand natives of the principality under the presidency of Funck Brentano.

LONDON, May 19.—A Madrid despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company says that the note sent by the Spanish government to Berlin in regard to the sinking of the Spanish steamer Patricio, demands immediate satisfaction and guarantees for the future.

The Patricio note was presented to the German foreign office yesterday. The Spanish Premier, Marquis Prieto, announced in Madrid that the note was "couched in such terms as the importance of safeguarding the lives and property of Spaniards demanded."

AUSTRIAN OFFICIAL STATEMENT ADMITS THAT

MONTE KUK HAS BEEN TAKEN BY THE ITALIANS

LONDON, May 19.—The loss of Monte Kuk is admitted by the Austrians in the official statement issued by the Austrian War Office on Friday. The statement says:

"In the eastern and southeastern theatres there is nothing to report. The Isonzo battle continues. Monte Kuk, south-east of Plava, was abandoned yesterday morning after two days of varied fighting of the greatest fierceness. Our troops took up positions several hundred metres east of the hill. In the Gorizia region a remarkable calm prevailed during the day. After night fell, refraining from any artillery preparation, the enemy suddenly dashed forward in dense masses, but all his efforts to gain a foothold in our lines failed before the cool defence of our brave troops.

"Early today the enemy strongly attacked Monte Hanto, but was repulsed after hand-to-hand fighting. Since the beginning of infantry battle we have brought in more than three thousand prisoners of war."

THE RUSSIAN MINISTER OF WAR WARNS THE

ARMY OF PERIL THREATENING THE COUNTRY

PETROGRAD, May 19 (via London).—Minister of War Kernsky has issued the following order of the day to the army: "The country is in danger. Each one must do what he can to avert the peril. No request to be allowed to rest made by officers in high command with a desire to escape responsibility at a time so grave, will be accepted by me. Deserters are enjoined to return to the army and fleet by May 28. All infractions of this order will be severely punished."

After a conference with the government, the Duma committee and the council of deputies, the commanding generals have returned to the front. M. Milukoff, former foreign minister, has refused to accept the ministry of education because his presence in the cabinet would involve a responsibility for the projected foreign policy of the administration. He considers this policy dangerous and likely to compromise Russia's relations with the Allies.

FOOD SCARCE IN ATHENS.

LONDON, May 19.—In addition to the bread famine that prevails in Athens there is a great scarcity of all other food-stuffs, Reuter's correspondent at Athens telegraphs under yesterday's date. Since Thursday scarcely any meats or vegetables have been on the market and the small existing stocks are selling at exorbitant prices, making the condition of the poor ing proportions are constantly taking place. classes pitiable. Disturbances that threaten to assume alarm-

LA PATRIE ON CONSCRIPTION

Montreal, May 19.—La Patrie, conservative, in the course of an editorial on the conscription announcement says:

"The grave and inevitable determination which the government has reached will doubtless be received in our province in the same spirit as in the other provinces. In the hours of anguish through which we are passing the Canadian people can have but a single heart and a single desire—the triumph of the cause of right and justice over German barbarism."

CANADIANS IN PATROL ENGAGEMENTS

(By Stewart Lyon.)

Canadian Army Headquarters, May 19.—Following up yesterday's bombardment of the electric station at Avion, patrols from the division holding our line at this point explored the enemy's position. His trenches were found to be heavily manned in evident anticipation of the attack.

he patrols bombed them and in view of their crowded condition must have inflicted considerable casualties.

Throughout the night the enemy was restless on the sector to the left of the cannonades. His guns put up a heavy barrage on the front held by the British as well as the Canadians west of Lens. Berlin will doubtless report that another desperate attack on the defences of Lens has been repulsed, whereas the whole affair consisted of one small raid by the British and patrol engagements by two Canadians.

The morale of the enemy on this front is suffering under the fire of our heavy artillery.

PERSONAL.

Miss Muriel Jones, of Apohaqui, spent a few days here at Windsor Hall. Sergeant Weldon Carter is being warmly welcomed by old friends while on a short visit to his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Carter.

PRESS COMMENT ON PROPOSAL FOR SELECTIVE CONSCRIPTION

Canadians no Longer Satisfied to Fight The Battle of Human Freedom by Proxy---National Service Principles Have Been Rendered Obsolete.

TORONTO, May 19.—Commenting on Sir Robert Borden's announcement of conscription, the Globe says:

"The big problem before Canada today is the problem of war. The first step necessary to insure the active co-operation of the Dominion in the final phases of the campaign is the compulsory organization of all the military resources of the country. Canadians are no longer satisfied to fight the battle of human freedom by proxy. Voluntary recruiting in Canada is as dead as Julius Caesar; it is too late to amend the past. The ravages of war have rendered obsolete principles of national service that passed muster a year ago. There is but one course now to pursue if the honor of Canada is to be preserved. Until the war is ended, Canada must be a nation in arms. Those who will not volunteer must be made to serve. The fighting divisions of Canada must be reinforced by Canadians."

The Mail and Empire.

The Mail and Empire says: "There will be rejoicing in the Canadian lines in the war arena when the two words of Sir Robert Borden's speech of yesterday are flashed to the front—the words 'compulsory service.'"

"Sir Robert says the time has come for resorting to selective drafts to maintain our four divisions throughout the war. Voluntarism has done well in Canada, but not well enough—for every Canadian who holds a place in the front lines there must be at least four well trained men in reserve. It is said that at one time Germany had nine men behind every one she had at the front. Britain and France will continue to make good the wastage of war as long as they have man power to draw on.

Premier Hearst Pleased.

TORONTO, May 19.—Satisfaction at the new conscription scheme announced by Sir Robert Borden was expressed last night by several representative men. Sir Wm. Hearst, Premier of Ontario, said: "I am very pleased to know that conscription has been introduced." Sir William has two sons in the army.

"Everything in this district," said General Logie, "is in splendid shape for such a measure. It is what the military men have been wanting for several months past."

With regard to equipment, General Logie stated that this district has large supplies on hand which have been brought in within the past few months. President R. A. Falconer, of the University of Toronto, said: "I am glad indeed to know that Sir Robert Borden has introduced the bill. I have felt for a long time that it was the only fair and right thing to do."

London, Ont., Advertiser.

London, Ont., Advertiser: "The public in general, including many eligible young men, will breathe more freely because of the announcement. The voice of the recruiting speaker will be silenced. Men who claim they have been badgered and kept out of the army will no longer have an excuse. From all walks of life men will be drawn into a democratic army, and it is to be hoped that democratic promotion will be the rule as with the French."

London, Ont., Free Press.

London Free Press: "Many young men will be glad to have the decision made for them. It is grossly unfair to suppose that those who will be summoned under conscription are all slackers. Canada pledged the last man and the last dollar, and we are going to live up to the promise. The government that plans to summon the needed men will not hesitate also to conscript wealth in any degree that may be necessary."

OPPOSED TO SEPARATE PEACE

Petrograd via London, May 19.—The provisional government declared today that it was united in the rejection of a separate peace and that it adopts as its aim the re-establishment of a general peace which will

not tend either to domination over other nations or to the seizure of their national possessions, a peace without annexations or indemnities.

The government expresses its conviction that the Russian army will not suffer the Germans to destroy Russia's western allies.

Messrs. John Henderson, Minto, and J. A. Humble, Moncton, are registered at the Barker House.

MANY LIVES LOST WHEN THE S. S. CAMERONIA WAS SUNK

Anchor Line Steamer Torpedoed by the Huns Was Being Used as a Transport---Many Acts of Heroism Were Noted---Submarine Was Not Seen.

LONDON, May 19.—The British transport Cameronia, of the Anchor Line, has been sunk. The survivors of the vessel say she was torpedoed in fine, calm weather in the afternoon. The submarine was not seen. A large number of the casualties were due to the explosion of the torpedo, which struck where there happened to be many soldiers. There was some excitement and confusion at the outset after the torpedo had struck, but discipline soon prevailed. The boats were smartly launched, but one of them was smashed and many lives were lost.

The Cameronia was afloat for forty minutes after she was torpedoed, which enabled torpedo destroyers to run alongside the wounded vessel. Soldiers from the Cameronia jumped on these boats in disciplined succession. Destroyers ceased taking on board men as soon as they had obtained their full complement. Many men from the Cameronia who jumped into the water were picked up by the boats.

Several tales are told of gallant rescues. Chief Officer McBurnie sank while trying to save a drowning soldier. McBurnie was a survivor of the Anchor Line steamer California when she was sunk off the Irish coast by a submarine in February of this year. Capt. David W. Boone, commanding the Cameronia, was the last to leave the steamer, jumping from the bridge into the wireless apparatus of a torpedo boat destroyer.

BRITISH IN SUCCESSFUL RAID.

LONDON, May 19.—"We made a successful raid last night northeast of Gouzeaucourt and brought back prisoners and a machine gun," says today's official account of the Franco-Belgian front operations. Hostile raids were repulsed east of Loos, northeast of Armentieres and east of Ypres.

QUESTION STILL REMAINS OPEN

London, May 19.—The question of summoning an Irish convention remains open pending the submission of the proposal to the Ulster Unionist Council and the Irish Unionist Alliance. It is understood that the Ulster council meets next week but no date

has been announced for a meeting of the Alliance.

In the meantime statements regarding the Irish proposals will be made by the government in parliament on Monday. Premier Lloyd George will speak in the Commons and Lord Curzon in the Upper House.

Sapper J. G. Bruce who was attending U. N. B. left for his home in Campbellton last night.

Messrs. W. A. Ewing, St. John, H. B. Hay, Chipman, and John W. Gilmore, Oromocto, are guests at the Queen.