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## German Baby Killers Make Another Raid on London

**From Six to Eight Enemy Machines Dropped Bombs on the City Late Last Night---Some Property Damage---Fifty-Eight Casualties Reported.**

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

LONDON, Sept. 5.—The first moonlight air raid over the London district occurred about midnight last night and resulted in the dropping of bombs, but the full extent of the damage is as yet unknown and no casualties have been reported.

One bomb fell just outside a hospital, another smashed through a theatre, and still another hit a retail store, in which a number of people were sleeping.

Notwithstanding the moonlight, nothing could be seen of the raiders, although their engines could be heard overhead. That they were invisible was perhaps due to a slight haze which was, however, insufficient to obscure the moon.

The raiders were constantly shelled by anti-aircraft guns and several British machines took the air to attack the invaders. **RAIDERS CROSSED THE NORTH SEA AND WERE SEVERELY SHELLED BY ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS**

The streets were practically deserted at the time of the raid, it being long after theatre hours. The late street cars that were running were either without lights or stripped. A message from a southeastern district says that apparently the invaders crossed the North Sea in three successive groups and that all were severely shelled both coming and returning.

After the raid the streets were filled with curious crowds until the early hours today, inspecting the damage from the raids over the London district. More bombs appear to have fallen in the streets than hit buildings.

**SECOND ATTACK OVER THE LONDON DISTRICT WAS MADE AT AN EARLY HOUR THIS MORNING**

The Chronicle estimates that eight or ten raiders visited London. There were two separate attacks over the London district, the second occurring about one o'clock this morning. Some people claim to have seen a half-dozen airplanes, but they were quickly lost sight of in the haze.

After dropping bombs the raiders flew seaward. One machine was located by searchlights at an estimated height of nine thousand feet. It was severely shelled and onlookers declare it was hit. At the same time British airplanes were seen manoeuvring for attack on the raiders.

**GREAT AIR OFFENSIVE.**

LONDON, Sept. 5.—“Has Germany got her great air offensive ready before ours?” is a question by a morning paper apropos of the invasion of England on three successive nights, and Field Marshal Haig's over-night report of aggressive enemy aircraft. Another paper, which assumes and frequently warns of Germany's intention to invade England with aircraft in very large fleets, says the Germans seem to be getting on rather fast with their invasion plans.

**99 KILLED AND 49 INJURED.**

LONDON, Sept. 5.—Nine persons were killed and 49 injured in last night's air raid. One raider is reported to have been brought down off Sheerness, it is announced officially.

## FIRST CLASS OF RECRUITS SOON TO BE CALLED OUT

**Will Include all Single Men and Widowers Between the Age of 20 and 34---Some Interesting Information.**

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

OTTAWA, Sept. 5.—A proclamation will shortly be issued, the Canadian Press, Limited, is informed, calling out the first class of recruits under the Military Service Act. This comprises all single men and widowers between the ages of twenty and thirty-four. The Military Service Council is in daily session, the work in hand being the preparation of causes of exemption and forms of military report. The latter are for men to sign who do not apply for exemption. When the proclamation is issued, all men in the class called out will be required, within a specified date, either to report for service or to apply for exemption. The forms will be available at all post offices throughout the Dominion. A man in the class affected who does not wish to claim exemption, may report either at military headquarters in person or by means of one of the military forms. By this means, the military authorities will be kept in touch with his whereabouts. When he has reported, the man stands in the same position as an enlisted soldier on leave of absence. Up to the point of joining up, the law will, generally speaking, be enforced by the civil authorities. If a man fails to report for service without making claim for exemption, civil proceedings will be taken, and, it is pointed out, the Military Service Act provides severe penalties for such cases.

A large number of applications for exemption are expected. Fears of interference with agriculture, it is shown, are groundless.

**The Jaguar's Claws.**

Sessue Hayakawa, the famous Japanese star, is the feature attraction at the popular Gaiety today in a Laskey-Paramount feature, “The Jaguar's Claws.” Pathe News the famous new weekly, showing the Kiltie Pipe Band in New York city, is one of the many interesting features shown today.

**Anxious to Fight.**

Two boys, aged about fourteen years, sons of well known citizens, left for St. John by the early train this morning with the object of enlisting for overseas service. As they left home without advising their parents the chances are that they will be rounded up and sent back.

## JOHN T. CLARK DIED TODAY

**One of Fredericton's Foremost Business Men—Native of Washademoak—Burial on Thursday.**

John Thurston Clark died this morning at his residence, 458 Charlotte street, at the age of eighty years, death resulting from the infirmities of old age. The deceased is survived by a widow, one son, ex-Ald. W. G. Clark of Fredericton, and one daughter, Mrs. Wells, at present at home, whose husband is overseas. The funeral will take place Thursday at 3 p. m., with service at the Brunswick Street Baptist church.

By the death of Mr. Clark Fredericton loses one of its foremost business men. He was the founder of the firm of J. Clark & Son, dealers in farm machinery and similar goods, which with head office in Fredericton, has branches in various other parts of New Brunswick. This firm has achieved a success which was largely due to the business ability and integrity of the deceased. He was for years a member of the Brunswick Street Baptist church in which he held various offices of importance.

The deceased was a native of Washademoak but in early life removed to Queensbury, York county, where he followed the occupation of a farmer until his removal to Fredericton about thirty-seven years ago, since which time he has been in business here, although not actively within the past few years.

**FLOUR DROPS AT WINNIPEG.**

Winnipeg, Sept. 5.—Flour took a drop of fifty cents a barrel yesterday. It has for months sold at \$12.

See Edgcombe's new fall suits and coats.

## AIR RAID ON CHATHAM MADE WITHOUT WARNING

**Bombs Dropped on the Royal Naval Barracks Killing Many Bluejackets--Great Damage Caused by Flying Glass--Detailed Account of Raid.**

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

LONDON, Sept. 5.—The Chatham district for the first time experienced an air attack on Monday night, when one or more bombs fell on a section of the Royal Naval Barracks, killing 107 bluejackets outright, and wounding 86 others. Four bombs in all fell about the barracks, but two were harmless and apart from those which took such a heavy toll of life, the damage in the whole area was insignificant. The barracks was fitted with sleeping hammocks and a majority of the men were asleep at the time of the attack.

Immediately following the explosions in the barracks rescue parties were organized and the wounded removed to hospitals, one of which came very near being a target for a bomb.

**EXCELLENT DISCIPLINE.**

Discipline prevailed completely over any natural tendency at alarm in the barracks. All survivors were instantly at their quarters and the greatest coolness was shown.

A naval man who was in the barracks at the time gave the following account of the raid: “Most of us were asleep in our hammocks in the dormitory, which was in the large drill hall. We had no warning of any kind. Two clocks, which were blown into the adjoining parade ground, stopped at 11.11 o'clock, showing the hour of the explosions.

**THE ATTACK WAS SUDDEN.**

“I have been in some scraps, but I did not believe that anything so sudden could happen. Before we knew what was happening the roof was lifted off the shop, blown into the air and fell in a thousand pieces among the men. It was glass flying thick and heavy which did the damage. We were dashed out of our hammocks to the floor and all mixed up with broken glass. The men on either side of me were both killed. Officers were on the scene in a moment and worked with us the whole night, getting the wounded to hospitals and the bodies to the gymnasium, which was used as a morgue.

**BLOWN ACROSS PARADE GROUND.**

“Another man sleeping in a different section of the dormitory said that he did not wait to put on shoes, and did not know that he was walking on broken glass until some time afterwards, when he found his feet were bleeding.”

A man who was blown across the parade ground declares he did not feel any the worse for his experience.

Some of the survivors complained bitterly about their companions being killed without an opportunity to strike back.

“If we have to die, we want to die fighting,” one bluejacket said. “Most of us have seen fighting, and we want another go at the Huns.”

A remarkable occurrence of the raid was that a comparatively few people in the bombed area were aware that there had been an attack until they arose the following morning.

## PTE. HAZEN BARR KILLED IN ACTION

**Son of Fred Barr of Queensbury—Pte. Earle Peoples, of This City, Has Been Killed.**

Mr. Fred Barr of Queensbury, has received the sad tidings that his son, Private Hazen Barr, was killed in action in France, August 22nd. The deceased soldier enlisted in Fredericton with the 104th Battalion in the winter of 1916 and crossed to England with that unit. He was serving in France with a well known battalion of infantry. Mr. Robert Barr of this city is an uncle of the deceased.

**Private Earle Peoples.**

Private Earle Peoples, only son of Mr. Charles Peoples of this city, died August 30th in France of wounds received in action on August 27th. The young soldier was only nineteen years old. He enlisted here with the 104th Battalion and later was with the 140th. He had been in France since November last.

**Private H. James Murray.**

Private Hugh James Murray, son of the late Dr. A. J. Murray of Fredericton Junction was killed in action August 15th. The deceased was aged twenty-eight years. For some time he was principal of the school at Hartland and at the time of enlistment was in the Department of Marine and Fisheries at Ottawa. Another brother, John, is serving in France.

**Meeting of Creditors.**

The creditors of Mr. Samuel T. McNutt of Tay Creek, who recently made an assignment were to meet today at the sheriff's office in this city, but no person appeared and the sheriff adjourned the meeting until the 14th. The assignor has liabilities to the amount of about \$10,000 with assets nil. Mr. D. J. Griffiths of Stanley, has a bill of sale of the stock in trade and premises occupied by Mr. McNutt. The latter met with a heavy loss some time ago when his sawmill was burned.

**Provincial Government Meeting.**

The Provincial Government will meet tonight in regular monthly session. Hon. J. P. Byrne arrived last night and Hon. P. J. Veniot this morning and Hon. P. J. Veniot this morning the city for some time. The other members will arrive tonight.

## DISASTER AT RIGA WAS NOT UNEXPECTED BY THE RUSSIAN TROOPS

**Preparations for Evacuation Had Been Going on for Some Time---Troops Fought Bravely and Hurlled Back the Enemy.**

(By Canadian Press Direct Wire.)

LONDON, Sept. 5.—The Press Bureau issued a semi-official Russian communication dated Sept. 4, which says in part:

“The catastrophe at Riga was not wholly unexpected, and measures for the evacuation of the littoral of the Gulf were taken before the passage of the Germans across the Dvina near Uxkull. Artillery of heavy calibre on permanent emplacements was thrown out of position during the past week. After the Dvina was forced the order was given to expedite the evacuation of Riga. A train with wounded was for a long distance under the German artillery fire.

The Russians withdrawing from Riga are holding up the enemy's progress. Several units have shown exceptional valor in repulsing German attacks with the bayonet. The first “Battalion of Death,” composed of women, distinguished itself, throwing itself into the melee at the most critical time and driving back the pursuing enemy nearly three kilometers, in spite of the losses it had sustained. The example set by this battalion inspired the other units. General Novitsky personally led the attacks.”

**AS A RESULT OF THE EVACUATION OF RIGA THE RUSSIANS WILL BE ABLE TO SHORTEN LINES**

“At the present moment,” continues the telegram, “all efforts are directed towards getting the Russian troops out of a cul-de-sac formed in the region of Riga, in a northwesterly direction, in order to offer resistance to the Germans on the line of the Riga-Venden road.

After the evacuation of the Riga sector, the Russian lines will be considerably shortened and the front will probably occupy a line between Riga and Venden, being partially backed on the lower course of the Livenian Au.”

**REFUGEES FROM RIGA TELL OF THE PANIC WHICH FOLLOWED THE EXPLOSION OF SHELLS**

PETROGRAD, Sept. 5.—The first refugees from Riga arrived here today and gave a graphic description of their last hours in the city before the German occupation. The first shell was fired from the direction of Uxkull, and the artillery yesterday morning caused numerous injurious fires and spread clouds of suffocating gases. The people rushed into the streets, many only partly dressed, and there was a general panic to reach the railway station, which seemed to be the enemy's chief target. This panic is said to have resulted in heavy losses, several thousand lives being lost.

## WESTERN MEN DECLINE TO JOIN BORDEN GOV'T

(Associated Press Direct Wire.)

Winnipeg, Sept. 5.—The Manitoba Free Press today says: “It is understood that the negotiations which have been proceeding for the entrance into a union government at Ottawa of a member of the Manitoba government and a member of the Saskatchewan government are definitely off, these men having declined for reasons apparently satisfactory to them.

The Free Press adds that “patriotism demands that the country should be saved from the events of a party election, and that it is the duty of Liberals to participate in the union government and be of all possible assistance in its formation.”

## WAR LOAN BILL WAS PASSED

Washington, Sept. 5.—Passage of the \$11,538,945,460 war bond and certificate bill by the House of Representatives in the form it was reported from committee, seemed assured last night, after four hours of general debate on the measure.

All parties are united in supporting the general features of the bill.

**Swallowed Umbrella Rite.**

A cow owned by Mrs. C. H. Shaw of Lansdowne street, recently swallowed the rib of an umbrella. For some time afterward the animal displayed signs of illness, the cause of which could not be determined. Finally a sore appeared near one of the hoofs and the end of the umbrella rib came in sight. It is believed that the piece of steel worked its way completely through the cow's body. The animal has recovered. The rib was about eighteen inches long with another joined to it.

## AMERICANS ARE NEXT DOOR TO CANADIANS

London, Sept. 5.—The American troops are near neighbors to the Canadians in the training camps, and units which have just arrived, when visited by the Gazette representative, expressed disappointment at not being allowed to land at a Canadian port where the ship had halted.

The question of wet or dry canteens is already a live one in the American camps, and the general attitude of the commanding officers is in favor of the dry canteens. They declared that the dry regime at home had a salutary effect.

**PERSONAL**

Moncton Transcript: Hon. C. W. Robinson and Mrs. Robinson, and Mr. F. W. Sumner and Mrs. Sumner, left on Monday afternoon for Toronto, where they will spend the week, and will also attend the exhibition.

Mrs. Archie McInnes of New York arrived here yesterday to visit her mother Mrs. G. N. Babbitt.

Mrs. Walter McLaughlin of Minneapolis arrived here on Saturday and is the guest of her brother Mr. H. R. Babbitt.

Mr. A. B. Brewer, of Burr's Corner who had the misfortune to break his arm at Edmundston a short time ago is spending a few days in the city.

Mr. James L. Neville, who is now located in St. John, spent Labor Day in the city.

**First Party After Big Game.**

The first of the visiting big game hunters arrived here on Friday night last and registered at the Barker House. It was composed of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Strong of New York. They left Monday morning for the headquarters of the Tobique with Mr. Charles Cremin of this city as guide.