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British Army is Better Than Ever, Says Foch

Allied Commander in Chief Gives Inter-view---Also Praises American Troops --- Enemy Shaken But Immediate Result Not to be Expected

LONDON, Sept. 25.—Marshal Foch, commander in chief of the Allied armies on the western front, who dislikes interviews, and rarely grants one, received a few newspaper men Tuesday. Among them was the correspondent of the Telegraph, who thus records the Marshal's brief utterances:

"The British army is better than ever. It fights better than ever. All of its losses have been made good and it is a more splendid army than it ever was before.

"The Americans are splendid and are wonderfully gallant in the field. Ten thousand fresh Americans arrive in France every day. The French army is the same good old army that it was in 1914. No more is to be said."

In discussing the general situation, the Marshal said: "The enemy is shaken up and shaken down, but is still holding out. You must not expect that we shall get to the Rhine immediately. We have passed over the crest and are now going down hill. If we gather impetus as we go, like a rolling ball, so much the better."

BRITISH GALLANTLY REPULSE HUN COUNTER ATTACKS AT THE POINT OF THE BAYONET

LONDON, Sept. 25.—German troops last night counter-attacked the British lines above Griscourt, northwest of St. Quentin, where advances have recently been made by Field Marshal Haig's troops. The British commander, in his official report today, announces that these attacks were repulsed. The process of closing in on St. Quentin was continued by the British, who captured 1,000 prisoners yesterday in St. Quentin region.

In one of the counter attacks two companies of the second battalion of the Royal Sussex Regiment met the enemy and forced them back at the point of the bayonet.

Fail Also in Chemin des Dames.

Paris, Sept. 25.—German troops last night made an effort to regain some of the valuable ground recently won from them by the French near the western end of the Chemin des Dames. They attacked in the region of the Moissy farm, in this area, but according to today's war office statement the effort was an entire failure.

A German Who is Getting Things Right.

Amsterdam, Sept. 24.—In his book entitled "The League of Nations, the Way to Peace," Mathies Erzberger, clerical member of the German Reichstag, completely exonerates the French from the idea of invading Belgium, according to the Weser Zeitung. "Not a single valid documentary proof of the intention of France to cross the frontier can be produced," says Herr Erzberger. "It is even established from the German side that the French plans of mobilization did not provide for entering the territory of Belgium."

VON HERTLING INDULGES IN NOISY TALK

London, Sept. 25.—Expressing confidence in Field Marshal von Hindenburg and General Ludendorff, Chancellor von Hertling, in the German Reichstag yesterday said they would be equal to the situation and that the allies "premature cries of victory" will soon die away. He continued: "Certainly the pure enthusiasm which characterized August (1914) could not last, but the firm resolve to hold out till the end will, despite all vicissitudes, and vicissitudes, continue. The people at home will not leave the army in the lurch just when everything is at stake. From the first day we waged the war as a war of defence. Only to defend ourselves did we invade Belgium."

NOT DELAYED

Rome, Sept. 24.—It was announced by the Vatican today that the Austrian peace note was received Monday night, with a special letter from the Nuncio at Vienna. The delay in the arrival of the note was due to the closing of the frontier.

TO PRAY FOR VICTORY

Chicago, Sept. 24.—The directors of the Board of Trade today adopted a resolution that each day all activities in the pits should cease for a minute when the noon bell rang for a minute of silent prayer for an allied victory and the early termination of the war.

SAYS HUNS ARE READY FOR PEACE

Amsterdam, Sept. 25.—Germany maintains her readiness for peace, despite repeated rejections of peace offers from the central powers, declared Admiral von Hintze, the German foreign secretary, in addressing the Reichstag main committee. Speaking on the recent Austrian peace proposal, the foreign secretary said that the German government's attitude toward it had been manifested to the whole world in repeated appeals. "We maintain this appeal for peace, our readiness for peace," he continued, "despite the party jeering, partly sneering, rejections which we have experienced from our enemies. In this we are in full accord with our allies."

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND HAS PASSED AWAY

St. Paul Minn., Sept. 25.—Archbishop John Ireland, of the St. Paul Diocese of the Catholic Church, died at 3.55 o'clock this morning after a long illness of heart disease and stomach trouble. He was 80 years old.

Correction

Through error the Mail yesterday used the name of Harold Lindsay in connection with the perjury case before Judge Wilson. The name should have been Clarence Lindsay.

DUFFERIN HOTEL, ST. JOHN, GUTTED TODAY

Guests Escaped in Night Clothing in Early Hours of the Morning—No Estimate of the Loss.

St. John, Sept. 25.—The historic Dufferin Hotel here, owned by C. M. Bostwick and operated by the estate of J. H. Doody and F. H. Foster, was gutted by fire early today. There were 175 people in the house, which was filled to capacity. All got out safely, most of them in night clothing. No money estimate of loss is available.

MARITIME MEN IN CASUALTIES

Ottawa, Sept. 25.—Casualties among Maritime men include the following: Gassed—E. Lezat, Green River, N. B. Wounded—W. C. Bishop, Fernedale, N. B.; C. A. Swan, Harvey, N. B.; R. M. McGrath, Chatham, N. B. Killed in action—J. E. Parks, St. Stephen. Ill—Lieut. J. D. McLean, Campbellton, N. B. Gassed—G. I. Jagie, Clifton, N. B.

SUGAR CROP IS SHORT

San Juan, Sept. 24.—The government today announced that the sugar crop 1918 is 455,796 short tons, as compared with 503,081 tons in 1917, a decrease of slightly over ten per cent. The prospect for the 1919 crop indicate that there will be a further reduction in the amount of sugar raised next year.

Mid-Week Market

There was a good sized market assembled at Phoenix Square this morning. Apples were plentiful going for \$1.50 to \$2.50 a barrel. Lamb sold for \$1.50 to \$1.75 a quarter. Corn sold for 20 cents a dozen. Eggs brought 60 cents a dozen. Butter sold at 45 cents and 50 cents a pound. Potatoes sold for \$3 a barrel, green tomatoes sold at 35 and 40 cents a peck. Turnips sold for \$1.50 a barrel. Fowl sold for \$2.25 and \$2.50 per pair.

Harvest Supper

A harvest supper was held at Kingsclear last evening by Rev. Father Howland's congregation. The proceeds were given to the Church at French Village. After the supper dancing was indulged in and the affair proved a very successful one.

PLANS ARE ABOUT COMPLETED FOR VICTORY LOAN CAMPAIGN

Services of Bond and Stock Brokers Have Been Commandeered by the Minister of Finance—Official Canvassers to be Appointed by the Various Provincial Executives—Will Get Same Remuneration as in Last Campaign.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

OTTAWA, Sept. 24.—The Minister of Finance states that the plan adopted for the campaign for the coming Victory Loan has been discussed by representatives of the Victory Loan organization from all parts of Canada, and settled upon as being the most efficient and economical method of handling the loan. Following the course adopted last year, the Minister of Finance has practically commandeered, for the purposes of the loan, the services of the bond and stock exchange houses of Canada.

Such recognized bond dealers and stockbrokers as may be employed on the loan under authority of the Dominion Executive Committee will be reimbursed on the basis of their operating expenses for the time, and to the extent that they are actually engaged in the work. The amounts of such payments will be wholly in the discretion of the Minister of Finance, whose discretion in each case will be final and conclusive.

CANVASSERS TO BE PAID.

In regard to official canvassers duly appointed on the authority of the several provincial Victory Loan executive committees, they are to be paid commission at the rate as in the last Victory Loan. This commission does not apply to subscriptions exempted by the special subscriptions committee, comprising amounts of \$25,000 and over, in respect of which no commission is to be paid. Where it is found necessary to engage other paid workers to assist in organization, their remuneration will be on the basis of the remuneration which they would be receiving in their regular occupations. Those who, however, continue to receive their salaries, or whose ordinary business continues as usual, will not be paid.

The minister recognizes that there was a great deal of fine, voluntary effort on the part of leading citizens throughout the country connected with the last loan, and he hopes that such effort will be available also for the coming loan.

ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETED FOR STOCK SHOW

Committee Conferred with the Officials of the Agricultural Dept.—Regulations Announced.

Yesterday Messrs Harding, Anderson, McIntyre and Stockton met the Minister of Agriculture and the Deputy to make final arrangements for the sale of stock which is to be held in this city, November 7th.

Regulations were discussed and agreed upon. Those under which all large sales of pure bred stock are held will be observed. Advertising will be arranged in order that every would be purchaser may know what is offering; a catalogue will be prepared and distributed before the sale and upon the day of the sale.

Freights will be paid by the Provincial Department of Agriculture. Part of the feed for the animals while at the sale will be supplied free. Every arrangement for the comfort of the animals while here will be made and a suitable sale room will be provided.

Information to hand indicates that the entry of stock will be large—horses, cattle, sheep and pigs will be on hand. Entries with registration papers if forwarded by October 5th, will allow for compilation of the catalogue.

The Department of Agriculture will arrange all details for the sale and all entries should be made to the office immediately or any information may be had at the office. Advertisements will appear in the Provincial newspapers in October.

MARYSVILLE HAPPENINGS

Marysville, Sept. 25.—The wedding of Miss Helen Robinson daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Robinson of Fredericton and formerly of this place and Dr. Coffin of Plaster Rock will take place this afternoon at the Methodist Church. Rev. Dr. Harrison will perform the ceremony.

Mrs. Joseph Robinson is quite ill at her home as a result of a stroke which she suffered a few days ago. Her son Mr. Joseph Robinson, Jr. of Milltown and daughter Mrs. Percy Smith of Fredericton have been called here by the illness of their mother.

A number of cases of typhoid fever have developed within the town.

Mr. E. G. Merritt of Fredericton is in town today on business.

BRITISH VICTORY IN PALESTINE THE MOST COMPLETE IN HISTORY

Seventh and Eighth Turkish Armies Destroyed With Astonishing Thoroughness --- Enemy Big Guns Were All Captured---Airplanes Wrought Great Havoc

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, Sept. 25.—Detailed reports of operations in Palestine lag considerably behind events there. The latest reports from the accredited British correspondent, sent from Nabulus on Monday, emphasize the astonishing thoroughness of the destruction of the seventh and eighth Turkish armies. Remnants of these forces which succeeded in crossing the Jordan river are isolated and are almost entirely without war material. "There has been no more complete victory in history," the correspondent says. "Groups of men have been found sitting under white flags, awaiting the acceptance of their surrender."

Aside from more than 260 guns captured, vast quantities of ammunition are lying everywhere, some munition depots covering acres of ground. It is reported that if the Turks try to raise new armies to replace those destroyed, they must call on Germany to supply every gun and every instrument of war, as the Turks manufacture only small arm ammunition.

AN IMMENSE AMOUNT OF WAR MATERIAL FELL INTO THE HANDS OF THE BRITISH TROOPS

The correspondent describes a remarkable state around Balata. This area was strewn with wreckage of the retreat. Here alone the British captured 87 cannon, thousands of horse drawn vehicles, hundreds of motor lorries and field kitchens, water carts and masses of other implements. This material, mingled with thousands of bodies of Turks, Germans and horses, blocks the roads.

Much of the destruction was wrought by airplanes, which swooped down upon the retreating columns and dropped bombs from a low altitude, until whole columns became vast, broken masses of men. Those who escaped wound or death fled to the hills, abandoning everything. Many of these were captured by cavalry, while others sought refuge in the British lines.

RETREATING BULGARIANS ARE BEING HOTLY PURSUED BY BRITISH TOWARD STRUMNITZA

LONDON, Sept. 25.—British forces are now operating along the northern shores of Lake Doiran, and their cavalry is pursuing the retreating Bulgarians along the road toward Strumnitza. This is the only available line of communication remaining to the enemy, according to advices received here.

Further west and north the situation of the enemy is becoming daily more difficult. The Bulgarians are retiring along the road from Veles to Ishtib. There is a railroad running as far as Ishtib, but beyond that point they will depend on wagon roads, against which the Serbians are advancing.

On the western side of the battle zone, some of the retreating Bulgarians may escape to Albania, where they will join Austrian detachments, but they must first cross a difficult country and the Albanians are not friendly to the Bulgarians. Although there are still German officers with the Bulgars, it is believed there are no definite German units with them.

U. S. NURSE GETS MILITARY CROSS

London, Sept. 24.—Among the list of Canadian nurses gazetted the military cross tonight for bravery during enemy air raids, appears the name of Lottie Urquhart of New Glasgow, Nova Scotia. Four bombs fell in her wards, but she attended the wounded, her heroism and devotion being an inspiring example.

INFLUENZA IN ARMY CAMPS

Washington, Sept. 24.—Nearly three thousand new cases of Spanish influenza in army camps had been reported to the office of the surgeon general increasing the total number of cases to nearly 23,000. Deaths reported were 112, due chiefly to pneumonia which followed influenza. The total of pneumonia was 390 for all camps.

To Close October 15

It is officially announced that Sussex Camp will close October 15. The Depot Battalion will winter at St. John.

MANY RAIDS ON HUN TOWNS

Amsterdam, Sept. 25.—Forty-seven air raids were made on German towns during the month of August, according to a German Admiralty statement issued at Berlin. This statement says that 79 persons were killed and 113 injured during the raids.

NEWSPAPER CHANGES HANDS

Winnipeg, Sept. 25.—The Winnipeg Telegram announces today a change in proprietorship. The purchasers are Messrs Davidson and Smith and their associates. Davidson and Smith are known throughout Canada as a large firm of grain dealers who of late acquired important newspaper publishing interests, their enterprise extending from the head of the lakes to the Pacific Coast.

In Paymaster's Office

Lieut. A. O. Crookshank of the Depot Battalion, has been transferred to the district paymaster's office. Lieut. Crookshank belongs to Fredericton.