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GERMANS ARE PLAYING LAST TRUMP IN THE GREAT WORLD BATTLE

Feeling of Confidence That the Allies Will Rout Them is Steadily Growing--- Counter Attacks Will Come at the Right Moment.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

French Front in France, March 26.—Entire confidence that the German's last trump in the world battle will be over-trumped when the proper moment comes, prevails here. The Allied military authorities were fully confident that the enemy's supreme effort would cause a retreat until measures could be taken to check the irruption into the Allied positions, as always the attackers possess the advantage of knowing exactly where they will launch their onslaught, while the defenders are compelled to await development of the battle before meeting the onrush with counter movements.

There is every sign in today's situation that the attack, in which apparently somewhere in the neighborhood of one million Germans of all armies were engaged, is being slackened.

GERMAN DIVISIONS WHICH BEGAN THE FORWARD MOVEMENT WERE ALMOST ANNIHILATED

The resistance of the Allies seems firmer, and the arrival on the scene of French reserves, sent up to the southern flank, brought welcome support to the British, who sustained the first powerful rush. The German divisions which began what evidently was intended to be an irresistible forward movement, were so cut up, that they were replaced by fresh formations.

It is these divisions which have been checked at the positions on which it was chosen by the Allied generals that a stand would be made. The ground over which the fighting has taken place possesses small tactical value, but it permitted the Allies retire in perfect order. It had been devastated by the Germans before they retreated last year, and the inhabitants had not had the time or means to build it up again.

FIRST RUSH IS OVER AND ALLIES AWAIT DEVELOPMENTS WITHOUT ANY ANXIETY

While retiring across what was almost desert land, the British inflicted enormous losses on the enemy, who threw away thousands of lives in an effort to overcome the resistance he encountered. When the retreating British reached the Somme and the canal, they turned about and gave battle, meeting repeated and long sustained endeavors of both infantry and cavalry. The initial rush of the enemy seems to have been stopped. Military opinion generally is that this first phase of the great battle, in which even more troops were employed than in the battle of the Marne, gives no indication what the results will be. Nevertheless, developments are awaited by the Allies without anxiety.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT HAS ONCE MORE PLACED THE RECRUITING MACHINERY IN MOTION

LONDON, March 26.—To fill the gaps caused by the German advance in France, the authorities have decided to place the recruiting machinery in motion again throughout the country. In order to assist the government, the miners have placed the organization of their unions at the disposal of the recruiting offices.

"To provide for all contingencies," says the Daily Mail, "it has been decided to speed up the recruiting machinery, and the men already scheduled for calling up will be summoned to the colors more quickly than was intended. The government will take firm measures where needed."

The Mail says the events in France have proved to be a great stimulus for voluntary recruiting for home service among discharged soldiers and men up to the age of fifty.

SHIPS SEIZED AT HALIFAX

Halifax, N. S. March 26.—Three steamers, two Dutch and one Russian were seized by the Naval authorities here yesterday and will be before long engaged in the British merchant marine service. The Dutch steamers which are about 2,000 tons net each, have been in Bedford Basin for some time, while the Russian steamer was towed into port on Sunday minus a propeller blade. When the officers boarded the Dutch ships there was no protest. The Dutch ensign was not flying and the British flag will not be raised until the Dutch crews leave for Holland. On the Russian ship the Russian flag was lowered but the British flag was not raised.

TO ABOLISH JITNEYS.

Winnipeg, March 26.—Abolition of jitneys was decided upon by the City Council tonight by a vote of 15 to 5, after a long discussion.

REJOICING IN BERLIN MONDAY

London, March 26.—Berlin was decorated Monday and church bells were ringing in celebration of the success on the western front, according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen. The Catholic churches in Berlin have arranged for a special day of prayer.

BIG ROUND-UP OF DEFAULTERS

Toronto, March 26.—Toronto headquarters of the Dominion Police reports that during the week ended a total of 4,447 alleged M. S. A. defaulters were apprehended in Toronto and the Central Ontario district. One hundred of these were found to be defaulters and were placed in the army.

HUN AGENTS ARE ACTIVE IN BATTLE ZONE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
London, March 26.—German agents are spreading alarmist reports among the civilian population around the battle zone in northern France, according to a despatch from the Reuter correspondent at British headquarters, dated Monday. These persons are being dealt with summarily when detected.

Concerning the fighting the correspondent says: "The spirit and determination of the British troops is excellent. The enemy losses have been enormous. The situation in many districts remains very confused, which is natural in fighting that has assumed more of the character of a war movement than at any time since the days of the Marne."

A CANADIAN WAR HERO

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Port Arthur, Ont., Mar. 26.—Flight Lieutenant Stanley Rosevear of Port Arthur, has brought down his tenth German airplane, thus becoming a double ace. His latest victim fell within the British lines and was saved from death in the burning of his machine by Australian troops.

MADE WHOLE WORLD LAUGH

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Amsterdam, Mar. 26.—William Voight, a shoemaker, who caused the whole world to laugh at the expense of German militarism by his escapade at Copenick in 1906, is dead, according to an announcement made in Berlin. Voight came to the United States but was deported last April.

CHICAGO HUNS ARRESTED

Chicago, March 26.—More than fifty persons were arrested last night for celebrating the German offensive. Early in the evening police were attracted to one house by strains of "Die Wacht Am Rhein," and as a result of arrests made there federal and civic authorities combined in a drive throughout German settlements where it was found that a general celebration was being held.

MUCH INTEREST TAKEN IN HUN LONG RANGE GUNS

Paris Experts Believe the Projectile is Provided With a Second Charge Which Gives It a Fresh Impetus

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)
GENEVA, March 26.—The long range guns bombarding Paris, according to a Vienna despatch received here, are of Austrian manufacture, having been built at the Skoda factory. The gun itself is not new, but its power comes from a new type of shell and the gasses used in the gun. There are said to be only two or three of the guns.

From Paris has come the suggestion that the extraordinary range of the gun is due to the projectile being provided with a second charge, which explodes when the first stage of the flight is completed, giving it a fresh impetus. This theory is scouted by General O'Callaghan, as is also the variant on it that the projectile is fitted with a propeller enabling it to continue its journey when it is no longer driven by the projecting force from the gun.

"It would seem," says General O'Callaghan, "that a new departure in ballistics can alone explain the enormous range which is three times the range of any gun hitherto made."

All the experts agree that at such a tremendous range, even approximate accuracy is out of the question, and therefore the gun is only of use where a target is on a vast scale, like the city of Paris.

DISCUSSED BY AMERICAN EXPERTS.

NEW YORK, March 26.—Many ordnance experts issue statements here today dealing with the long range gun reported as being used by the Germans in shelling Paris from a distance of 76 miles. Lewis Nixon, Annapolis graduate and ordnance expert at the U. S. Steel Corporation, advanced the opinion that liquid air might be used both to propel and cool a shell during its long flight. "If such a thing as this long ranged shelling is really happening," he said, "there must be some other propellant than powder. Liquid air would give an enormous power when confined and be perfectly safe."

PROMINENT PRISONERS CAN EXERCISE.

PARIS, March 26.—The prison authorities have decided not to permit prisoners to take exercise during bombardments. Prominent persons now in the chief prison, however, will be allowed to promenade as usual at their own risk. Former Premier Caillaux and Senator Charles Humbert have availed themselves of this private grant.

Reports From Battlefront Have More Favorable Look

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Ottawa, Mar. 26.—Last night's list of 59 casualties reports 16 Canadian soldiers killed in action, two died of wounds, one died, two missing and believed to have been killed, three missing, twenty-three wounded, seven gassed, one prisoner of war, and four ill. Maritime names follow:

Infantry.
Killed in action — J. MacDonald, Middle River, N. S.; A. D. Harlow, Sable River, N. S.
Wounded — G. W. Winchester, St. John.
Cavalry.
Killed — Lieut. M. Sworder, address not stated.

COMMITTED OVERT ACTS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Philadelphia, March 26.—Newspaper articles, headlines and alleged distorted despatches, charged by the government as representing twenty-six overt acts, were admitted in evidence today in the treason trial of Louis Werner and Martin Darrow, editors of the Philadelphia Tageblatt.

SOCIETY NEWS.

Miss Amelia Baxter of Boston was here yesterday to attend the funeral of her niece, Miss Miriam Baxter. Mrs. Lawrence, wife of the Rev. Capt. Lawrence, of Kingston, was an over Sunday guest with Dr. and Mrs. Carter.
Miss Taylor was the entertainer at the afternoon bridge club yesterday. Mrs. Mont. Greeley was the prize winner.
Mr. J. H. Sproul of Ottawa is returning home today after two months spent with her mother and sister, Mrs. Hilyard and Mrs. John C. Allen.

His Honor Judge McKeown is a guest at the Barker House.
Mr. Matthew Lodge of Moncton, is a guest at the Queen.
Mr. W. F. Humphrey, ex-M.P.P. of Moncton, is registered at the Barker House.

British Have Established Themselves in Positions at Roye and Albert--Fight- ing Died Down During the Night--- Enemy Losses Very Severe.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, March 26.—The fighting died down during the night, says the War Office report, which is as follows:

"The fighting died down during the night. Our troops established themselves in new positions east of Roye and Albert. North of the Somme continuance of the fighting is expected, but it has not yet developed. Attacks are reported to be developing this morning south of the Somme against our troops and those of the French, in the neighborhood of Roye and Chaumes. The enemy's losses continue to be severe. He has been obliged to reinforce his battle front from all parts of the western theatre. Over seventy hostile divisions are known to have been engaged in the battle."

FRENCH OFFICIAL STATEMENT REPORTS FIGHTING CONTINUES WITH THE GREATEST VIOLENCE

PARIS, March 26.—The battle continues with the greatest violence, says the official War Office statement, which reads as follows: "The battle continues with violence. During last evening and in the night the enemy multiplied his attacks on the whole front between Noyon and Chaumes. The French artillery, well established in the region of Noyon, and supported effectively by our infantry, is retarding the German thrust. Frequent counter attacks have been made and heavy losses inflicted on the enemy. Noyon was evacuated during the night in perfect order. The French are holding the left bank of the Oise firmly."

CONFIDENT THAT UNDAUNTED SPIRIT OF THE BRITISH TROOPS WILL BAFFLE THE ENEMY

LONDON, March 26.—As the evidence develops that the Germans are unlikely to gain a decision in the face of the maintenance of such splendid British resistance, public opinion, which, though anxious, has never been under depression, is now bracing itself into a strong determination to acquiesce to whatever measures are necessary to meet an admittedly critical situation. There was a feeling of labor restlessness in Manchester recently, when unofficial representatives of the engineers threatened to strike against the man-power proposals, but this was promptly extinguished by an outburst of popular indignation wherein even the pacifists joined, and the meetings of the district branches of Amalgamated Engineers yesterday repudiated the Manchester decision, wherein the executive had no part. Everywhere unshaken confidence is expressed that the undaunted spirit presented by the British troops will baffle the enemy, who with troops four or five times the British strength, only scored very moderate success and endured colossal losses, and have already shown signs of flagging.

American Positions Bombarded.

With the American Army in France, March 26.—The American positions on a certain part of the Toul front were bombarded with mustard gas shells at the rate of six a minute last night, but ineffectively. The American artillery replied with a heavy fire and demolished segments of the German front lines and other points.

GOVERNOR OF QUEBEC DIED IN NEW YORK

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Montreal, March 26.—Sir Evariste Leblanc, Lieutenant Governor of Quebec, died in New York this morning. He had been ailing for some time, and lately underwent a surgical operation in Philadelphia. The deceased was a lawyer by profession, and had been a prominent figure in the public life for some years. He was at one time speaker of the Legislature and afterwards led the Conservative opposition.

TURKS WANT THE CRIMEA

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
London, March 26.—Turkish newspapers, a central despatch from Amsterdam says, point out that on the basis of the right of self-determination the Crimea must be joined to Turkey, as the Baltic provinces of Russia have been joined to Germany. For three hundred years prior to 1774 the Crimea was under Turkish rule. The great majority of the population of the Crimea is Russian and there are very few Turks resident there.

SAYS THAT HUNS SPRUNG BIG SURPRISE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
London, Mar. 26.—In the "mystery gun" the name generally given to the weapon with which the Germans are bombarding Paris from a distance estimated at 75 miles, it is frankly conceded by the experts, the enemy has sprung one of the greatest surprises of the war.
General Sir Desmond O'Callaghan, president of the army ordnance committee, says of the German gun: "The projectiles must have been fired from longer and heavier guns and with a more powerful propellant than we have any knowledge of."

GERMAN TANKS PLAYED A PART

(Canadian Press direct wire.)
Berlin, Monday, March 25 (via London).—German tanks, reinforced by captured British tanks, says a semi-official statement today, in Sunday's fighting on the western front took a leading part in breaking the brave enemy resistance.