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The Weather.  
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Thursday fair and a little cooler.  
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## FURTHER DETAILS OF THE NAVAL RAID ON HUN NAVAL BASES

### Guns on the Mole Were Demolished, and Munition Sheds Blown up---British Cruiser Worked Her Way to the Inside of the Harbor.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, April 24.—Not only was the mouth of the canal at Zeebrugge blocked, but British sailors and marines who participated in the raid on the German submarine bases believe that they destroyed every gun on the Mole, demolished the sheds throughout its entire length and blew up large stores of munitions contained in the sheds, according to stories given by the survivors to the correspondent of the Daily Chronicle at a Kentish port.

Until they were within half a mile of the harbor of Zeebrugge, no ships of the attacking force had picked up the light on the Mole. The attacking ships started for the Mole, followed by muttered calls of "Good luck" from ships' companies of the escorting ships outside the harbor, and the leader had scarcely got within sight of the light when it was discovered by the Germans.

Star shells instantly pierced the thick haze, showing up the cruiser as clearly as though it had been daylight.

### CRUISER DODGED A HAIL OF HELLS AND LANDED A PARTY OF MARINES AND BLUEJACKETS

In one section it seemed as if every battery in the neighborhood had concentrated its fire on the cruiser. How she was able to get ahead, none of those watching her understood. Great 17-inch shells and others of smaller calibre flew around her like hail. She was apparently hit by some of the smaller ones, but plugged ahead and was seen to turn the corner of the Mole and gain the inside of the harbor.

The cruiser went up to the Mole and landed a large party of bluejackets and marines.

### GERMANS DRIVEN FROM THEIR BATTERIES AND THEIR GUNS DESTROYED BY THE BRITISH

Some of the Germans bolted en masse from the nearest batteries, leaving their guns to the British. The guns were destroyed one by one, while others in the landing party dealt with the sheds and munition stores with flame throwers.

Apparently under cover of this operation, continues the account, the concrete laden cruisers, with which it was intended to block the channels, made their way through the harbor, accompanied as far as can be ascertained by only one submarine. As they approached the entrance, they anchored, swung around on the cables, and according to the testimony of one observer, were sunk within twenty-three minutes.

### CRUISER AFTER HER DARING RAID MADE HER WAY OUT OF HARBOR AND JOINED THE LINE

One of the destroyers or submarines exploded a charge at the gates of the lock to the Bruges canal and they are believed to have been destroyed. Meanwhile four destroyers entered the harbor and cruised around, making observations, but were unable to take part in the battle.

When the attacking ship and its landing party had completed their work, the sailors and marines were taken aboard again, and the cruiser, despite her damaged condition made her way out and took her place in the line.

One man who watched the operation from an escorting ship said: "When we saw the damage she had suffered, it seemed scarcely possible that she was able to keep afloat. The men below must have worked like Trojans, for she was throwing flames ten feet high from her funnels and she made the fastest time she probably ever accomplished."

## AVENGED HER BROTHER

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
Charleston, Va., April 24.—Acquitted in a court here a few days ago of the murder of John Weaver, whom he was charged to have shot to death last November, Michael Waldron, minor league baseball player, was last night shot and killed by the former's sister, Miss Cahoma Weaver, aged 22, at Halford, a mining town 26 miles south of Charleston.

### RAILWAY BUILDERS.

London, Apr. 24.—In the House of Commons Hon. A. Bonar Law mentioned that in 1917 alone, nine hundred miles of broad gauge and a thousand miles of light railways had been constructed behind our lines.

## THE RAILWAYS WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Montreal, April 24.—A sufficiency of coal for next winter would be assured if the unloading of coal cars were proceeded with without delay, according to R. W. M. Neal, secretary of the Canadian Railway War Board, but as it is, the coal is not rapidly unloaded, the cars are idle, the sidings are occupied and the delivery at the mines is restricted.

If this practice of delaying the unloading of coal cars is continued, the railway companies will not be responsible for a shortage of coal next season, Mr. Neal says.

### SOCIETY NEWS.

Mrs. F. A. McDonald and children of St. John, are visiting Mrs. McDonald's sister, Mrs. J. H. McMurray.

Miss Nellie Babbitt has returned from New York, where she went to spend Easter with her sister, Mrs. Archie McIntosh.

Miss Lynch entertained at a bridge of four tables and a tea yesterday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Pugsley. Mrs. William Robertson was the prize winner.

Mrs. Ketchum entertained at a luncheon yesterday when covers were laid for fifteen.

Mrs. George N. Babbitt has returned from Halifax where she was visiting her daughter, Mrs. Oxley. She was accompanied by her grandson, Master Frederick Oxley.

Mrs. F. B. Edgecombe this evening is entertaining at a bridge.

### Two Deserters Caught.

Two deserters were taken to St. John this morning by Sergt. Parkinson, assistant provost marshal. One deserted from the 236th MacLean Highlanders, while the other absented himself from a Forestry Unit.

### Joins His Unit.

Mr. J. Wilfrid Dever of this city, who enlisted with the 65th Battery at Woodstock, left on the Valley train yesterday to join his unit.

### Condition Somewhat Improved.

Mr. Charles Pickard, lumber scaler, who has been laid up for the past few weeks with blood poisoning, is showing signs of improvement and is able to be about again.

## Germans are Prepared To Strike Another Blow

### DOCK GATE AT ZEEBRUGGE WAS DESTROYED

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

London, April 24.—Two destroyers got inside the Mole at Zeebrugge and blew up the dockgate, the correspondent at Dover of the Daily Mail reports. The feat, he says, seems incredible, but there appears to be no doubt about it. Some of the men who took part in the enterprise say they saw waters of the Bruges canal running out of the gate after it was destroyed, and the vessels in the dock straining at their hawsers.

### SUGAR BY CERTIFICATE

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Washington, April 24.—Sugar for domestic canning and preserving this summer will be distributed under a modified certificate system by which each consumer will be asked to sign an application for the amount needed.

### Public Accounts Committee.

With the permission of the House the Committee on Public Accounts met yesterday afternoon and passed a number of pages of the report. Among the items passed were Provincial Hospital, Legislative Buildings, Liquor License Fund, Public Health, New Brunswick Historical Society, Natural History Society, Mining, Moving Picture Censors, Provincial Prohibition Act and part of the Public Works. The items concerning Permanent Bridges are to be considered further.

Mr. John E. Algar of St. Stephen, is in the city.

Mr. J. C. Berrie of St. John, is a guest at the Queen.

## HINDUS AND HUNS FOUND GUILTY OF CONSPIRACY

### Were Charged With Trying to Overthrow British Rule in India---Long Trial Brought to a Close.

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—Twenty-nine persons, Hindus, former German consular officials, business men and others, were found guilty early today by a jury in the Federal Court of conspiracy to violate the neutrality of the United States through plots to foment revolution against British rule in India. Thirty were on trial and the only verdict of not guilty was returned in the case of John F. Craig, head of the Craig ship-building yards, Long Beach, Cal.

The German defendants were not entitled to bail, Judge Van Fleet ruled, and the following were ordered interned pending sentence, which will be passed next Tuesday:

Franz Bopp, former German consul general at San Francisco; E. H. Von Schack, vice consul; Charles Tattendorf, body guard to Wilhelm Von Brincken, military attache at the German consulate; Walter Sauerback, navigating officer of the German gunboat Geier; Captain Edwin Deinal, commander of the steamer Holsatia, German merchantman interned at Honolulu; Captain Heinrich Elba, commander of the steamer Ahlers, German merchantman, interned at Hilo, and Henry Kaufmann, chancellor of the German consulate. The bail of each Hindu defendant was fixed at \$25,000.

### Fatal Shooting Affray in Court.

The fatal shooting in the court room yesterday was the result of a feud among rival factions of the Hindu defendants, federal authorities said, and the dislike that existed between Ram Chandra and Ram Singh had been heightened by a controversy over a parcel of land in Canada owned by Singh.

## THE DOMINION STEEL CO. HAS BIG ORDERS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Montreal, April 24.—With the plate mill contract and other orders closed, it is understood that the Dominion Steel Corporation has recently put some \$30,000,000 new business on its books, probably a record for the company in a short space of time.

## OBJECTORS MAY BE DRAFTED IN SERVICE UNITS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Montreal, April 24.—Major General E. W. Wilson, G. O. C., received an order from Ottawa today setting forth that conscientious objectors are to be put into khaki and attached to non-combatant units, such as the engineers, army service corps, ordnance corps or clerical duties.

## Have Big Force of Men and Guns in Readiness But Hesitate to Take the Plunge---French Troops Repulse Strong Enemy Attacks---Official Statements.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

British Headquarters in France, April 24.—Notwithstanding their concentration of men and guns at various points, the Germans still refrain from striking. Prisoners report there is much sickness and an epidemic of trench feet among the Germans, adding that the rations are inadequate to the needs of the fighting soldiers. This morning we carried out successful operations east of the Clarence river with the object of straightening our line. Strong German attacks developed last evening in the neighborhood of Dranoutre, on the Flanders front, but were repulsed by French troops, the War Office announces.

Heavy infantry attacks are reported to be in progress this morning in the Albert sector, north of the Somme, and also between the Somme and the Avre rivers.

### BRITISH AND FRENCH INFANTRY POUND THE GERMANS SEVERELY IN THE FLANDERS ATTACK

The French and British artillery inflicted severe losses on the Germans in the Flanders attack. On the front northwest of Albert a German attack early yesterday evening was repulsed. The statement reads:

"The hostile artillery activity increased yesterday afternoon and evening on the greater part of the British front, particularly in the Somme and Ancre sectors, in the valley of the Scarpe and in sectors north of Bethune and northeast of Bailleul. At dusk hostile infantry left their trenches to attack northwest of Albert, but met with heavy rifle and machine gun fire and were driven back."

### ENEMY ARTILLERY CONDUCTING A HEAVY BOMBARDMENT BETWEEN SOMME AND AVRE

PARIS, April 24.—The German artillery has been conducting an extremely heavy bombardment of the Franco-British front between the Somme and the Avre, in the region of Hangard-en-Santerre and Villers-Bretonneux, the War Office reports today. The statement follows:

"Between the Somme and the Avre the enemy's bombardment during the night took on a character of extreme violence along the Franco-British front, especially in the region of Hangard-en-Santerre and Villers-Bretonneux. French artillery carried on an energetic counter bombardment of the German batteries. In the region of the Ailette and Avocourt wood, French patrols took prisoners. Elsewhere on the front there was intermittent cannonading."

### Air Raid on Paris Failed.

PARIS, April 24.—Aeroplanes were heard coming toward Paris, and an air raid alarm was given shortly before midnight last night, but no airplanes reached Paris, according to an official statement today, as follows: "Suspicious sounds of airplane engines having been reported by watching posts as coming in the direction of Paris, warning was given at 11.36 p. m. No airplanes crossed the fire curtain or flew over the city."

## WILL PUNISH OFFENDERS OF FOOD LAW

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Ottawa, April 24.—The Canada Food Board today issued a request that all farmers or others having definite information that any dealers in feeds has been insisting on the purchase of flour as a condition for the shipment of bran and shorts, should notify the Food Board at once, giving as much detail as possible. The request adds that such cases will be thoroughly investigated, and if the information is found to be authentic the guilty dealers' license will be cancelled.

## FARMERS KICK AT NEW DRAFT REGULATIONS

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Brantford, Ont., April 24.—The Brant County Board of Agriculture has passed a resolution unanimously protesting against the action of the Dominion government in cancelling exemptions under the Military Service Act, previously granted on occupational grounds to farm help. They point out that the loss in production will be greater than the advantage secured by calling up the men exempted.

## U. S. STEAMER BLOWN UP

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Paris, Apr. 23.—The blowing up of the American steamer Florence H., off the coast of Brittany is believed to have been due, says the Radio agency to a bomb placed on board before she left the United States, so timed as to explode when the vessel reached port. Owing to a fire on board, the news agency adds, the bomb exploded prematurely.

## B. C. HOUSE PROROGUED

(Canadian Press direct wire.)

Victoria, B. C., April 24.—The second session of the 14th Parliament of British Columbia was prorogued at 1 o'clock today by the lieutenant governor. Before proroguing the legislature passed the clause in the city of Vancouver's bill giving the city power to eliminate jitneys.