

## EVERY DAY OF QUIET ADDS TO STRENGTH OF BRITISH IN THE WEST

**Hope of the Enemy That British and French Armies Would be Separated Has Not Been Realized---Enemy Man Power is Thinning Out.**

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, April 20.—Telegraphing last night from British headquarters in France, Reuter's correspondent says:

"This morning we successfully repulsed several minor attacks against our positions on the Flanders battlefield. An attempt near Mount Kemmel only developed on a small front, and seems to have been completely repulsed. The Germans brought up special shock troops in an endeavor to capture a chain of hills running eastward to Cassel. Among them are the Alpine Corps. An officer of this corps in a letter which has fallen into our hands says: 'We have made up our minds to plunder again ruthlessly. In the Alpine Corps we understand the business.'"

"The enemy are exhibiting surprise at the appearance of French troops in Flanders. They understood that the purpose of the present offensive was to separate the two armies, crush the British and force the French to make terms. They are now realizing that the effort has so far been to consolidate the joint action of the two armies to a degree not witnessed since the days of Mons."

## EVERY DAY OF QUIET ON FLANDERS FRONT ADDS TO STRENGTH OF THE BRITISH FORCES

"The latest news from our whole front is that all is quiet. No news is the best news at present, when every day of quiet adds to our strength. The Germans are energetically repairing roads and bringing up materials. As soon as they are nicely set our gunners tear great craters in the smooth surface."

A captured letter describing the appearance of the Bapaume road pays tribute to the work of our airmen and artillery. Our airmen report that Bapaume has practically ceased to exist."

"The rate at which the enemy is thinning out his man power is illustrated by the way he is drawing on the 1919 class, which shows what the failure of this supreme effort means to Germany."

## AUSTRALIAN TROOPS INFLICT HEAVY LOSSES ON THE TURKS IN JORDAN AREA IN PALESTINE

LONDON, April 20.—Telegraphing from British headquarters in Palestine under date of April 14, Reuter's correspondent says: "Australian troops inflicted most severe losses on the enemy in the Jordan area in a recent raid into Gilead. They destroyed five miles of the Hedjaz railway line and took over a thousand prisoners. We withdrew to the right bank of the Jordan, bringing several thousand refugees desiring British protection. We maintained, however, a brigade on the other side of the Ghoraniyeh ford."

"On April 11 the enemy assaulted the brigade at Ghoraniyeh and advanced posts ten miles up the west bank of the Jordan. The attack was preceded by violent shelling, as many as forty shells a minute from field and mountain guns spraying our positions, but all attempts to advance were completely held."

## ROBBER OF ROYAL BANK CONFESSES

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
 Montreal, April 20.—Edw. J. Lerue, who along with Albert Laurin is under arrest on a charge of having assaulted Joseph Bertrand, teller of the Cote des Neiges branch of the Royal Bank of Canada on April 5, and robbed the bank of over \$4,000, admitted the charge in a deposition made before Judge Leet a few days ago, and in open court today still made admissions, except as to the name of his companion in crime. He admitted today that he had laid out the teller with the butt end of a revolver, while another man "covered" the ledger keeper, Gaspard Miron, with a revolver, and that the two had split the amount stolen, about \$3,800 or \$3,900, of which his share was about \$2,000.

Monsieur Babineau, manager of the branch in question, testified that \$4,109.75 had been taken by the robbers. Both prisoners will come up again next Thursday.

Dominion Police Busy.

The Dominion Police were busy at the market again this morning. Many were asked to show their papers and all but one who had left his at home, did so. The one, who is a married man, fairly well along in years, was permitted to get his papers. Upon his return with his marriage certificate everything was made right.

## NO MORE FURLONGS TO BE GRANTED

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
 Ottawa, April 20.—Major General S. C. Mewburn has received a cable from the Minister of Overseas Military Forces of Canada announcing that no more leave or furlough can be granted to officers and men of the Canadian Expeditionary Forces serving overseas.

This is in view of the very serious situation at the front, and the absolute need of men remaining at their posts until the crisis is over.

No extensions of leave or furlough will therefore be granted except for medical reasons, to officers and men of the overseas forces now in Canada.

Sir Sam has no animus

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
 Toronto, April 20.—No animosity is entertained by Sir Sam Hughes towards the Dominion constable who placed him in a somewhat unnecessary predicament at the Union Station recently in holding him up for his military papers. As a result of the practical joke, the constable, W. J. Cook, was dismissed, but now, by the intervention of the former Minister of Militia, Cook is to have his job back.

## JUDGMENTS IN APPEAL DIVISION SUPREME COURT

### A NEW TRIAL IN CASE OF O'LEARY VS. SMITH

**Decision Against Rev. Father Conway Sustained by Court  
 —New Trial in the Nugent Case.**

Judgments were given yesterday afternoon by the Appeal Division of the Supreme Court, Justices White and Grimmer sitting. Judgments were as follows:

Scott vs. McCain Produce Co. Chief Justice Hazen gave judgment of the court. New trial on counter claim with costs of the appeal.

Cheeseman vs. Candaian Pacific Railway. Judge Grimmer gave judgment of the court. Appeal dismissed with costs. Judge White took no part.

O'Leary vs. Smith. Chief Justice Hazen and Judge Grimmer gave judgments. Appeal allowed. New trial granted with costs of motion to defend.

Richardson vs. Nugent. Chief Justice Hazen and Judge Grimmer gave judgment. Appeal allowed. New trial granted with costs of motion to defend it.

Woodstock Electric Light and Power Co. vs. Domation Tanneries. Judge Grimmer gave judgment of court. Appeal dismissed with costs.

Wilson vs. Bell. Chief Justice Hazen gave judgment of court. Appeal dismissed with costs.

Rush vs. Clark. Chief Justice Hazen gave judgment of court. Verdict for plaintiff on his claim, with costs. Verdict for defendant on counter claim with costs. Smaller verdict to be deducted from the larger and judgment accordingly. Costs of appeal to plaintiff. In this case the verdict of the plaintiff is the larger.

Farnell vs. Conway. Chief Justice Hazen gave judgment of court. Appeal dismissed with costs.

### Details of Cases.

The suit of O'Leary vs. Smith concerned a shipment of potatoes. Mr. Richard O'Leary of Richibucto from Mr. B. F. Smith, M.P.P. of East Florenceville. The defendant alleged the potatoes were frozen, but the jury decided against him in the original

## British Eject the Germans From Advanced Positions

### MAN POWER RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED

Ottawa, Apr. 19. — In both houses of parliament to night the resolutions were passed authorizing the government to make further call on the man power of the country for service in the army. The senate adopted it without division. In the house it was passed after a debate lasting through the afternoon and until well into the evening and after the defeat of two opposition amendments. They were the first divisions of the session. The house was crowded. The public galleries were packed.

The first division came on an amendment by Dr. Malloy of Provencher seconded by Captain Read of Prince, P.E.I. The amendment proposed to substitute the words "this house regrets that the proposed order-in-council departs entirely from the principle of the order-in-council of December 3, 1917, allowing the exemption of those whose services are essential for promoting agricultural production and the house therefore declares that the proposed order-in-council shall be so

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action. The Appeal Court found that the jury found against the weight of evidence, which points to the potatoes being frozen before they were taken by the Canadian Government Railways.

The suit of Richardson vs. Nugent concerned alleged malpractice. The original case went against the defending physician, but the Appeal Court has ordered a new trial on account of the improper admission of evidence.

The suit of Farnell vs. Conway concerns a will made in Queens county by a woman whose relatives brought action against Rev. Fr. Conway of Chipman on account of alleged undue influence at the time the will was made. The original case went against Rev. Fr. Conway and the Appeal Court has sustained that decision.

## MORE MEN SOON TO BE CALLED TO THE COLORS

### Exemptions Granted to Unmarried Men and Widowers Between Ages of 20 and 22 to be Cancelled.

OTTAWA, April 20.—The passing of the Military Man Power resolution by both Houses of Parliament yesterday will be followed by the calling to the colors of unmarried men and widowers from 20 to 22 years of age, both inclusive, and who have been granted exemption. All exemptions in the cases indicated will be cancelled, although the Minister of Militia may grant leave of absence without pay to any man "by reason of the death, disablement, or service of other members of the same family while on active service in any theatre of actual war."

As the men to be called up were included in class one, required to report for service or claim exemption by the proclamation issued last October, it is stated that no further proclamation will be necessary in their case. The course followed will probably be that adopted when Category B men were called up a short time ago. Each man will be notified by the district registrar when and where he is to report for duty.

Should men of 19 be subsequently called out, however, a further proclamation will be necessary, as they were not covered by the October proclamation. It is expected, however, that the procedure to be adopted will be officially announced tomorrow.

## THE U. S. MAY SEND TEN MILLION MEN TO HELP THE ALLIED ARMIES

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

BOSTON, April 19.—Speaking at a liberty loan rally tonight, Secretary of the Navy Daniels said the Allies would hold the line until the United States could send ten million men to France, and that this country would build ships until we had the greatest navy in the world. There are now 40,000 naval men in foreign service, and thousands more waiting at home for ships upon which to get into action. "The only embarrassment we are having with the navy," he said, "is that 90 per cent. of the men are clamoring to go on duty so they can see quick action, and lots of it."

So long as the British, French and American fleets controlled the seas the Germans could not win, he declared. Referred to the western front, he said: "Now, thank God, the Allied armies are under one command. The fact for us at home is whether we shall subscribe or oversubscribe the liberty loan."

## Stubborn Fighting in Region of Givenchy and Festubert Resulted in the Re- establishment of British Positions--- Some Prisoners Taken.

(By Canadian Press direct wire.)

LONDON, April 20.—Nine machine guns, a trench mortar and prisoners were taken by the British in a local operation south of the Scarpe river, the War Office announces. A German counter attack was repulsed.

On the Flanders battle front the British ejected the Germans from advanced positions gained by them in Thursday's attack in the region of Givenchy and Festubert. The British gained all their objectives in their counter attacks in Flanders, advancing their defences at Givenchy and Festubert, re-establishing their positions. In sharp fighting southeast of Robecq the British drove back German attacking parties.

### MANY GERMAN SOLDIERS THREW AWAY THEIR RIFLES AND SURRENDERED TO THE BRITISH

With the British Army in France, April 20.—In the neighborhood of Robecq many Germans threw away their rifles and swam the canal to the British side to surrender when they could no longer bear up under the stream of machine gun bullets which was sweeping around them.

The British trench mortars also did great execution, throwing their high explosives into enemy ranks at close range. The German artillery bombardment at Givenchy and from Labasse northward yesterday morning perhaps set a new high-water mark for intensity. Veterans declare they have never seen anything like it, although many records have been broken since the offensive began on March 21.

### HUNS HAD LITTLE TO SHOW FOR THEIR GREAT SACRIFICE OF LIFE IN FIGHT AT GIVENCHY

It was the German intention to wipe Givenchy off the map. Their bombardment did much damage, but all the Germans had to show for their expenditure of ammunition and their sacrifice of lives was one bit of a forward trench at Givenchy and one little outpost at Festubert, where a small company of British fought to the last man before the enemy was able to get in. A body of Germans then pushed along till they got to a battalion headquarters. There orderlies and clerks armed themselves and fought side by side until the Germans were beaten back.

### FRENCH ATTACK ON THE AVRE NOTEWORTHY FOR ITS QUICK AND COMPLETE SUCCESS

LONDON, April 20.—Telegraphing from French headquarters, Reuter's correspondent says:

"The French attack yesterday on the west bank of the Avre was noteworthy for its complete and speedy success, showing the superiority of the French infantry over the German has been maintained. It also deprived the enemy of several useful points of vantage for their next push past Hangard toward Amiens. Starting about four o'clock, all the objectives of the French were obtained within two hours. Over 800 prisoners were taken and therefore the German casualties are equivalent to the entire attacking strength of the French. The territory gained is about a mile in depth on a front of three miles. The enemy has on a seven mile front in this sector massed divisions waiting the opportunity to push on towards Amiens."

## NINE-YEAR-OLD BOY CHARGED WITH MURDER

Jersey City, N.J., April 20.—A charge of murder against a nine-year-old boy, Frank Muchelowski, was made in the court here today. Questioned as to why he killed Edward Choroski, four years old, with a rifle while they were at play yesterday, the young defendant replied: "I shot him because he stole two marbles from me."

It is alleged that after an argument over a game of marbles the Muchelowski boy ran to his home, returned with a rifle and ordered the smaller child to hold up his hands, and then shot him down.

A Y. P. A. Social.

A social evening was Thursday given for the students of the city by the Y. P. A. of Christchurch Cathedral at the Church Hall. A most enjoyable evening was spent. Dancing and the usual games and amusements were indulged in. Dr. R. S. Dakin and Mr. Donald Rankine gave pleasing solos. His Lordship Bishop Richardson and Mrs. Richardson and Very Rev. Dean Neales and Mrs. Neales were present. No refreshments were served on account of the food conservation regulations which ask that as much economy as possible be practiced in this direction. After the singing of the National Anthem the party broke up about midnight.

## HE REFUSES TO BECOME A SOLDIER

(Canadian Press direct wire.)  
 Toronto, April 20.—Refusal to don the khaki or undergo inoculation were the charges which Private George Goding, a West Indian of the first regiment, faced before a court martial at Exhibition Camp yesterday. Goding declared that he would never submit to being a soldier.

He was married in New York in September 1917, and his wife was heard at the court martial. She had, she said, given her only brother, and if her husband was taken she would be desolate, as she was not acquainted with any other person in Canada.

Goding claimed that he had not been notified that his application had been refused.

Captain R. S. Morton gave evidence that he had told him that he had disobeyed their commander and would do the same to him.

### Was Badly Scalded.

Mrs. Frank Wheeler was badly scalded while engaged in assisting in the kitchen of Hanson's Hotel, Marysville, yesterday. A considerable quantity of hot grease was spilled from a vessel which was broken, resulting in painful injuries to her feet.