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GERMAN DIPLOMACY

The entrance of Italy into the great European war on the side of the Allies is certainly a black eye for Prince Von Buelow, the German ambassador at Rome, and a crowning failure for German diplomacy. Every effort was made by German schemers to keep Italy from joining the Allies; bribes and lavish promises were made but all have been rejected and Von Buelow has been handed his passports and must pull up stakes and quit the country.

The New York Herald deals very effectively with Germany's diplomatic record in connection with the war when it says:

"The game ended with Prince Von Buelow at Rome; it began with Baron Von Schoen at Paris. Just before the outbreak of hostilities, in the hope that France could be bribed into peace while Germany engaged Russia, the hint was made that France could have Alsace and Lorraine under certain conditions. At that very minute the German emperor was assuring the Emperor of Russia that there would be no war, the German ambassador to St. Petersburg, Count Von Pourtales, was insisting on the demobilization of the Russian army as a price of peace. When England was deciding in her parliament whether to go to war or not the German ambassador, Prince Lichnowsky, was assuring the Foreign Office that if England would promise to be neutral he would engage that the German navy would be so disposed that the north shore of France, which England was bound to protect while France held her ships in the Mediterranean, would not be assailed.

"Everywhere double dealing and everywhere an indication that Germany felt she was dealing with a collection of international sharpers and skulkers.

"The downfall of Von Buelow appropriately follows that of Dernburg. Both were entrusted with the task of hoodwinking a friendly nation, and when the history of what each has done comes to be unfolded to the light there is little doubt that it will amaze the world."

"Von Buelow has been handed his passport's. Why isn't Dernburg sent packing?"

The Woodstock Press, the pocket organ of ex-Premier Flemming, has made the discovery that there were no irregularities disclosed by the public accounts committee at Ottawa last session in connection with the purchase of war supplies. The scandals in connection with the purchase of binoculars and surgical supplies, declares The Press in effect, only existed in the imagination of the wicked Grite. In connection with the purchase of war horses it admits that somebody put one over on the genial member for Kings, meaning Mr. DeWitt Foster. The Flemming organ has contended from the first that a grave blunder was committed by the New Brunswick government when it appointed a royal commission to investigate the Dugal charges. It certainly was a blunder from the standpoint of the deposed premier, which is the only standpoint The Press can view it from. It lost the ex-premier his job and his reputation as a political leader. A public man who can see nothing wrong in the revelations made before the royal commission in connection with the Valley Railway and the timber land fund or in connection with the purchase of war supplies is scarcely the sort which any self-respecting constituency should send to Ottawa as its representative.

A New York paper, in commenting on the evidence given in the Roosevelt-Barnes libel suit says:

"Hereafter no political leader can succeed who persists in mixing private business with politics. He can be in private business but he must not try to make money out of his influence with the legislature."

There is a pointer here for Dr. J. Kidd Flemming, Mr. B. Franklin Smith, Mr. George B. Jones and a lot of the barbed wire who hold down back benches in the New Brunswick legislature. Dr. Flemming got business and politics somewhat mixed when he negotiated through Treasurer Teed that famous loan of fifteen thousand dollars from the timber land fiddle fund and used the proceeds to help the Flemming-Gilson

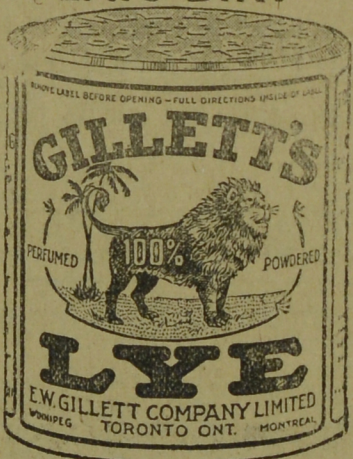
lumber company out of a hole. Mr. B. Franklin Smith made money out of his influence with the legislature when he sold thirty-five thousand dollars' worth of patriotic potatoes to the government. The higher ideals of many well meaning Conservatives in this province have been tarred with evil associations.

Ex-Premier Flemming is quoted as stating on one occasion that the old flag when waved at election times, proved very effective as a vote getter. The statement was made at a public meeting here on Tuesday evening that certain districts of York county had not achieved any particular distinction in their response to the call for recruits for active service. If the old flag can arouse the patriotic fire of men at election times it ought to be doubly effective in time of war. A good old-fashioned flag waving campaign in the interests of the British empire is needed at the present time, and the gentleman who have kindly consented to address recruiting meetings might with profit to the cause which they are to espouse, adopt the campaign methods of the politician.

Dr. Dernburg, who has been in the United States trying to arouse some sympathy for the German cause, is said to be very anxious to get back home. If he does not know that his mission has been a failure he can soon find it out by consulting the American newspapers which, during the past few weeks, have been roasting him unmercifully. As he is afraid to cross the Atlantic it looks as if he would either have to go to Mexico or remain in the United States. All other avenues of escape appear to be closed to him.

A vigorous campaign for obtaining recruits for overseas service is to be inaugurated in this section at once. A lot of people who do not appear to realize what this war means to Canada and the empire are to be enlightened by able and well informed speakers. It is to be hoped that there will be a hearty response to the call for recruits.

GILLETT'S LYE EATS DIRT



ALLIES MAKE GAINS

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ing thirty-five prisoners, and this morning it captured one officer, twenty-one men and a machine gun. "Since May 1 the first army has pierced the enemy's line on a total front of over three miles, and the first and second line trenches are in our possession. The total number of prisoners taken is eight officers and 777 other ranks. Ten machine guns, in all, have fallen into our hands, as well as a considerable quantity of material and equipment, particulars of which are not yet available."

GERMAN MACHINE DOWN

Paris, May 26.—A German aeroplane was brought down today at Braine. The pilot of the French machine which defeated the German aircraft was awarded the Military Medal for his achievement, and the officer observer was promoted.

VON BUELOW IN BERLIN

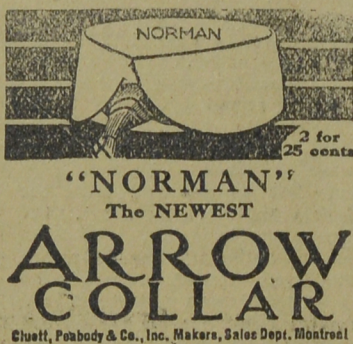
Berlin, via London, May 26.—Prince Von Buelow, the German ambassador to Italy, and the Princess Von Buelow arrived in Berlin this morning. It is stated that their departure from Rome was without special incident. Signor Bollati, the Italian ambassador, departed from Berlin at five o'clock this morning aboard a special train.

BRITISH ADVANCE RECORDED

Paris, May 26.—The following official communication was issued by the war office tonight:

"The British troops have made a new advance in the direction of La Bassée, taking sixty prisoners, of whom several were officers, and captured some machine guns.

"To the north of Arras the Germans have continued their desperate efforts to retake, in the region of Angres, the positions which they



lost yesterday. The engagement throughout the day was one of extreme violence.

"At the Cornailles fortified work a counter attack by the enemy at first compelled us to withdraw but in less than an hour we had recaptured the whole position and we have maintained it since then."

"At a neighboring work, further to the south, the enemy, after sanguinary attacks, has retaken a part of the north salient, but we have held the west salient and carried part of the south salient."

"Between these two works and the road from Aix-Noulette to Souchez, our attacks have made progress and we have gained a foothold at divers points in the lines of the enemy, who has not succeeded in reoccupying any of the trenches captured yesterday by us."

STILL HOLDING POSITIONS.

"At the northern outskirts of the wood north of the road from Aix-Noulette to Souchez a spirited engagement has taken place, but the respective positions have not been modified. Between the road and the Massif De Lorette, in the Fond De Buval, the violent fire of the enemy's artillery has not been able to dislodge us from the positions taken yesterday, and we have gained new ground on the slopes to the northeast of the Chapel of Lorette. We have advanced about two hundred yards, notwithstanding an intense bombardment in the outskirts of Ablain-St. Nazaire, and captured a quick-firer."

"At Neuville-St. Vaast, after a very hot struggle, we occupied a group of houses which formed a dangerous salient. The enemy in these various actions suffered very heavy losses."

"A German aeroplane which was flying over Paris this morning came into contact with a squadron of the entrenched camp. It dropped bombs, without result, on Villenoy, near Meaux. Our aeroplane squadron, having been forewarned, waited for the return of the German machines. The Aviatik, which was loaded with four bombs, was brought to the ground by one of our own aeroplanes near Braine, in the region of the Soissons. The two German aviators were killed. "Our aeroplanes have successfully dropped fifty shells of ninety kilos on the aeroplane at La Drayelle, near Douai. The hangars and machines which were on the ground were struck."

GERMANS LACK AMMUNITION.

Petrograd, May 25.—Although German activity continues in Central Galicia, on both sides of the San River between Jaroslau and Przemyśl, the Russians assert they now have the situation well in hand. They state that the German drive from Cracow to Galicia and also the movements on the left side of the Vistula, which reached the Kielce and Radom districts, have lost their impetus and that the Russians are now ready to take the initiative.

Less optimistic observers believe that the checking of the German move is due to the necessity of bringing up fresh supplies of ammunition, after which their aggressive will resume its former intensity.

SCHEME FOR UNGRADED

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Hughes, is gradually coming into shape, according to the report of the committee. The chairman reported respecting the celebration of Empire Day and its great success was most gratifying to the members as well as to the general public.

UNGRADED DEPARTMENT.

Mrs. Clark has long been an advocate for the establishment of an ungraded department in connection with the present city schools and the scheme is now rapidly taking shape. It is claimed that many lads drop out of school after reaching grade five or six, sometimes because they fall behind in their classes, perhaps from irregular attendance or want of application, and then find themselves associated with little tots of more active brain. These boys can be kept at school much easier it is believed, by providing them with some industrial work which can be provided by introducing the manual training in the lower grades.

Mr. Lemont brought up the proposed plans for enlarging the scope of vocational training in connection with all the schools and after close consideration the question was deferred until the next meeting.

During the meeting gratification was expressed by the members over the recognition by the U.N.B. of the long and successful public service rendered by Miss Ella L. Thorne, for many years a teacher in the city schools, and for some time past the English teacher in the High School.

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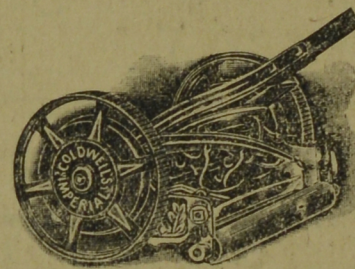
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