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## ALLIES VICTORIOUS ON ALL FRONTS

### Enemy Raids in Belgium Repulsed. Turks Routed in Egypt by South African Troops. Italians make Signal Gains Capturing Number of Austrian Prisoners.

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, Feb. 27.—An official statement from British headquarters in France issued to-day reads: "Last night we sprang two mines in the neighborhood of Loos with satisfactory results. This morning an enemy raid on our trenches Southeast of Marcourt was repulsed. There has been artillery activity about Ypres during the day."

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, Feb. 27.—Turkish troops were attacked and routed by South African troops yesterday at Agagana, Egypt, according to a British official statement issued to-night which adds that the fleeing Turks are being pursued.

ROME, Feb. 27.—The following of ficial communication was issued to-day: "There was great artillery activity along our whole front. Our men provoked alarms at several points on the enemy's lines causing a hurried despatch of reinforcements which were then shelled by our artillery. Actions were in our favour North of Mori, in Lagarina Valley, in Rombon Zone, in Pizzo Basin and on the Puzos Slopes West of Gorizia. In the last named locality troops who penetrated one of our trenches were immediately driven out with heavy losses. Along the Northern slopes of Mount San Michele one of our detachments by a bold rush occupied an enemy trench taking forty-seven prisoners and held the position against a severe artillery fire."

## GLORIOUS VICTORY FOR FRENCH TROOPS

### Germans Driven from Position north of Verdun in Battle of Ghastly and Terrific Slaughter. Whole German Battalions Annihilated and 340 Prisoners taken. German Losses Approximately 155,000. French Forces now have upper hand of the Germans all Along the Line.

(Special to The Guardian) PARIS, Feb. 27.—An official statement issued by the War Office Saturday night of the sanguinary struggle which has been going on around Fort Douaumont, one of the most important positions in the old scheme of Verdun defences, declares that the position captured in the morning by the Germans was retaken during the day by the French and that the French troops have now gone beyond that point and have withstood all attempts of the Germans to drive them back. Losses to the Germans are said to be very heavy.

In Artois mine fighting has been in progress, the French exploding two mines under a tunnel occupied by the Germans.

In Champagne the Germans attacked a position taken by the French to the south of St. Marie-a-Pay. The attack was beaten back with heavy losses and the French took 340 prisoners. All attacks of the Germans in the vicinity of Champagne were repulsed with heavy losses.

(Special to The Guardian) NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—A cable received here by the News Agency says the German losses in the fighting north of Verdun are approximately 155,000 men. French troops scored a virtual triumph and succeeded in capturing points taken by the Germans on Saturday morning after the heaviest sort of fighting, in which whole German battalions were annihilated or captured.

Berlin reports deny the capture by the French of Fort Douaumont, and on the contrary claim to have taken 900 French prisoners.

(Special to The Guardian) PARIS, Feb. 27.—A War Office statement Sunday night says there was no change on the battle front north of Verdun during Saturday night. We are continuing to reinforce the positions captured yesterday. East of the Meuse where snow fell in abundance the Germans made no new attack. A strong German attack in the region of Harcourt Farm broke down under our artillery and machine gun fire and our counterattacks. In the Vosges, after extensive preparations, the enemy attempted to attack, but it was beaten back by our fire. West of the Meuse no infantry action took place.

(Special to The Guardian) PARIS, Feb. 27.—Except around Fort Douaumont the French War Office reports some abatement in German attacks North of Verdun. East and West of the Douaumont position the French troops are closely pressing the Germans who were able to gain a footing in those sections and which the War Office further reports are maintaining themselves with difficulty. The French deny German reports that the Germans occupied Cote de Talou.

## PAARDEBERG DAY DULY CELEBRATED

### Impressive Service in St. James' Church with Appropriate Sermon by Rev. Dr. Fullerton. Military Parade and Memorial Service at Soldiers' Monument.

The annual celebration of Paardeburg was held in St. James' Church yesterday morning, when the attendance was probably the largest ever seen in that place of worship. The service was exceedingly impressive, the presence of such a large body of military men and the cause for which they have left their homes, adding to the solemnity of the occasion. A special musical programme was carried out, a solo by Mr. Arthur Britton, and a quartette by Messrs. Bruce and Barlow and Misses McDonald and Hughes being well rendered. The Band of the 82nd Regiment accompanied the soldiers to the Church, and after the service the men marched to the monument in Queen's Square, where they were joined by the detachment from St. Dunstan's. After the arrival of the latter the trumpeters played the last post and the Band rendered several excellent selections. Rev. Dr. Fullerton gave a brief address, referring to the heroes of the Empire and whose names were inscribed on the monument, which, he said, now stands as a mute appeal to the citizens of Charlottetown and of the province to consecrate their lives to the service of King and Country.

Dr. Fullerton delivered a most masterly sermon in commemoration of the Island's heroes of Paardeburg and in tribute to the noble efforts which the sons of the province are making to-day to uphold the honour of the Empire. He took his text from Revelation, 2: 10: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." In the words of the text, he said, they had a motto that should be borne aloft by every true soldier of the King, words that had in them the clarion call of God and man. "It will be well, he proceeded, in these days of stress and strain, in these days of sacrifice and bloodshed, that we should take such important words in their original sense. The Church of Christ was being persecuted by Nero, when he named the name of Christ, who went out wearing the insignia of the Cross, had to count the cost. They were not asked to do anything blindly or impulsively. They were asked to give up everything, to be ready to surrender all at a moment's notice if necessary; to leave their homes, their friends, their wealth, the world's honour, as the world counted honour, for what? They were to take Christ, instead, and even death. You will see that it was a great demand that was made on these men; and yet, to their eternal honour, they paid the glorious penalty, and to-day, two thousand years later, we are reaping the results of their splendid sacrifice. He who looks back on the early Church and regrets the loss of life is surely dishonouring the memory of the saints; and he who looks back on the sacrifice of the hour, in the cause of freedom for the sake of God and humanity, with anything like regret or chagrin, is surely dishonouring the memory of some of the finest heroes humanity has ever known. In the

words we have chosen for our consideration to-day we have the challenge of God to those who enjoy the splendid heritage that we enjoy. Will we stand by the right until victory rests on our pennant even if it means death? Or will we be faithless now and receive the crown of death hereafter? The words we have chosen have a wider sanction than anything that applies to the Church, than anything that we have even in the New Testament. They are not restricted to the area of spiritual phenomena. It is this fidelity that we expect of those who are nearest and dearest to us. It is this fidelity we look for in our friends in times of trial. It is this faithfulness, even unto death, that lends the enduringness of God and the beauty of eternity to our human affections. This law of self-sacrifice is as surely as plainly written upon the tablets of our daily life, as it is upon the pages of the word of God. Only he who is prepared to lose his life can hold it, until something greater he aspires to reach, not smoothly but through suffering, he attains. Not lightly does any individual wear the crown of life. You ask the statesman who has guided his nation through difficulties, and he will tell you he has been persecuted by his foes and deserted by his friends. You ask the soldier returned from the campaign how he won the honours that are bestowed upon him and he will show you his wounds and scars. At the battle of the Alamo some of our troops were mowed down by the hail of the machine gun in the hands of the foe and one lad, brought up on the streets of the old land, selling newspapers, determined that he would bring that gun in, that he would save his fellows by destroying it. One of the foe to shoot them down and one of the most brilliant stories of this great campaign is how he went out single-handed, turned that gun upon those to whom it belonged, who fought hour after hour until he contacted the enemy's gun, of 60 pounds weight as it was, and laid it at the feet of his officers. And when he did so, he simply said, "Thank God; I have done something to save the life of my comrades." But he carried with him scars that will remain the day of death. And yet we would say that these scars are more honourable than the Victoria Cross that he now wears on his breast. We cannot rise to any eminence worthy of the name unless we are prepared to make the greatest possible sacrifice. Wealth is not in the abundance of things, but in our capacity to give and take, to do and suffer. It is no mere myth which comes with the imprimatur of the sovereign and divine hand, that only by hard labour, only by Gethsemane, only by Calvary can the world be redeemed. What does the Cross mean? Is it not that sacrifice is essential to the getting and keeping of all that is best in individual and in manly has ever known. In the

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## VIENNA CLAIMS AUSTRIAN SUCCESS

(Special to The Guardian) VIENNA, Feb. 27.—Austro-Hungarian troops occupied the Albanian port of Durazzo this morning, according to official announcement issued to-day at the Austrian War Office.

## BELGIAN TOWN SHELLED BY ALLIES

(Special to The Guardian) AMSTERDAM, Feb. 27.—Allied airmen have attacked and damaged the railway station and tunnel at Bleyberg, on the German Belgium frontier, according to the Echo Belge.

## COMFORTS FOR OUR SOLDIER BOYS

### 151 Provided, 949 Unprovided

Saturday and Yesterday were Days to Test Soldiers' Boots, and the Unanimous Opinion was that Rubber Boots are necessary. The Boys at the Paardeberg Parade would have been all the smarter and certainly more comiortably equipped had they been wearing Rubber Boots.

Disagreeable days are on us, days that will test the boot leather of the boys of the 105th on their route marches, and on sentry duty. How much more comfortable would the boys be to-day had they the much-needed rubber boots at their disposal. It should not be long before they are in that happy position, but it behooves every well-wisher of the boys to hurry up with their subscriptions. About fourteen per cent has been subscribed, a special effort could easily make this 50 per cent by the end of the week.

Please do not delay in sending your subscription to the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. W. Hyndman, Royal Bank, Charlottetown.

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## OTTAWA ADVISED OF FRENCH VICTORY

(From our Own Correspondent.) OTTAWA, Feb. 27.—Word of the victorious French counter-attack on the German hordes at Verdun was brought to the Minister of Militia in two cablegrams which reached him one last night and the other this afternoon.

The first message, which the Minister communicated to H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught and Sir Robert Borden, was to the effect that fighting around Verdun had now settled into a ghastly and terrific slaughter. The French had recaptured one of the outer forts of Verdun which the Germans had stormed early on Saturday and were driving the Huns steadily back. The second message, which came this afternoon, was to the effect that the French are now steadily driving the enemy past Douaumont despite his spasmodic rallies. Perhaps somewhat significantly, the cable does not say that Fort Douaumont, which was the outer defence captured by the Germans on Saturday, has been either regained or held and from this Sir Sam Hughes inferred that the Germans probably now in ruins. The Minister of Militia interpreted the news as an evidence of the fact that the French forces now have the upper hand of the Germans all along the line.

(From our own correspondent) OTTAWA, Feb. 27.—The French line is now being concentrated at Verdun and the British line is being extended several miles to keep the line intact. The outer fort of Verdun has been recaptured by the French. These facts were cabled late last night and to-day to the Canadian Government by Sir Max Aitken, the official representative of the Government at the battlefront in Flanders.

The first cable which was received by General Hughes and which he communicated to the Duke of Connaught, Sir Robert and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, stated early yesterday that the Germans had captured an outer fort of Verdun but that later in the day the French had recaptured it. The cable said the enemy this morning captured the outer of Verdun and in the afternoon it was recaptured by the French in a battle that has set into a ghastly and bloody slaughter.

General Hughes received another official cable from Sir Max Aitken this afternoon which conveyed the most encouraging news. The cables state that the French are now steadily driving the enemy past Douaumont despite his spasmodic rallies.

This second cable contains nothing regarding the re-occupation of the Fort of Douaumont, but the wording of the cable, said General Hughes tonight, indicates that the outer fort is probably in ruins. "It begins to look," said the Minister of Militia, "as though the French had got the Huns trimmed all along the line." A cable received by Sir Robert Borden from the British headquarters states that the French line is now being concentrated at Verdun and that the British line is being extended to preserve the connection. The cable also conveys the information that at Verdun there are massed twenty German divisions and that opposed to them are fifteen French divisions. The Premier's cable also indicates the success of French forces.

## ANOTHER FIRE AT AMHERST

(Special to The Guardian) AMHERST, Feb. 27.—Fire broke out Saturday morning at 2:30 in the Hickman block, Victoria Street. While the large stock of cloths badly smoked, very slight, the stock of fruit, cigars, chocolates, tobacco and other perishable articles received severe damage from smoke and water. The flames commenced in the rear portion of the lower flat and despite the speed of the firemen and salvage corps in arriving at the scene the fire had worked into the walls and great difficulty was experienced in extinguishing the blaze.

The tailor shop of George W. Cameron on the second floor above, which was not touched by flames or water, had the large stock of cloths badly smoked. Insurance of \$2,000 will about cover Mr. Cameron's losses. (Mr. Cameron above mentioned was formerly a resident of Summerside.)

## THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

(Special to The Guardian) TORONTO, February 28.—Maritime: Strong west to north-west winds; fair and colder with snow flurries.

THE WEATHER.—Yesterday was a little cooler with occasional heavy snow falls.

The highest temperature recorded yesterday was 35 degrees above zero. At nine o'clock yesterday morning it registered 34 above; at nine last night 31 above. The coldest the previous night was 34 above.

The tide will be high this afternoon at 5:03 and tomorrow at 6:30; it will be high tomorrow morning at 7:46 and Wednesday at 8:46.

The sun sets this afternoon at 5:45 it rises tomorrow morning at 6:40 and Wednesday at 6:38.

The moon sets today at noon. The last quarter of the moon was on Saturday, Feb. 26 at 5:24 a. m. There will be a new moon on Friday, March 3rd at 11:50 p. m. The length of today will be eleven hours and four minutes.

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## TRACADIE SHORT COURSE

The Short Course in Tracadie concluded Friday evening, and like those held at other centres was a splendid success. Nine sessions in all were held and the attendance averaged ninety. The night sessions were attended by quite a number of ladies.

Lectures were given on live stock, poultry, grains, plant diseases and kindred subjects, the lecturers being Messrs Tennant, Murray, Thompson, Kerr, Clark, Reid, Morrow and Reek. On Wednesday afternoon and evening Rev. Father Walker of Rollo Bay gave two excellent lectures on Dairy Cattle, which were thoroughly appreciated.

Rev. Father McIntyre, P.P. of Tracadie, attended every session and entered heartily into the discussions. A meeting will be held in Tracadie in the near future to form a Wool and Mutton Growers' Association, under which the co-operative marketing of wool and lambs will be carried on. Underdrainage is a live topic at Tracadie and will also be discussed the same evening.

## COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

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\*\*An entertainment and basket social will be held in Hearts Hall, East Royal on March 2nd, commencing at 8 o'clock sharp. Admission 15c. Ladies with baskets free. Proceeds in aid of Red Cross work. Should the night prove unfavorable social will take place first fine night following. 7542-28-M31pd.

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FOR SALE, A PROTECTOGRAPH check writer. This machine was never used and is something that every person using checks should have, can be seen at any time, by applying at this office. 7289-2-10M1f.

FOR SALE—1/2 SHARES IN THE Central Fox Co., Ltd., will be sold at a bargain. Reason of selling party going on overseas service. Apply Box 103 Charlottetown. 7548-2-28M1f.

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