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GERMANY'S ANSWER TO THE AMERICAN NOTE

Foreshadowed by Leading German Paper. Says Government will Probably Reply That it will not be Disturbed from any Side. "Will Make it Clear to Mr. Wilson That We Must Conduct the War as We are Conducting it and can Conduct it."

(Special to The Guardian) BERLIN, May 17.—The American note to Germany has not yet been officially given out. This afternoon's papers, however, print a version of the document as telegraphed here by the Havas Agency. With the single exception of the local Anzeiger all refrain from comment. The local Anzeiger says: The German Government certainly will not delay long with the answer requested and probably will reply that in occupying itself with its sacred duties it is not to be disturbed

from any side. That the American Government should consider the Lusitania as a harmless packet boat without taking notice of the fact that it was really an auxiliary cruiser and an ammunition steamer of the British navy appears to us scarcely believable. But the German answer to Washington will make it comprehensible to Mr. Wilson in language as polite as it will be clear that we must conduct the war as we are conducting it and can conduct it with a clear conscience.

BRITISH SUCCESS CONTINUES IN NORTHERN FRANCE

Have Advanced a Mile into German Lines Recapturing Bridge over Yser Canal Depriving Germans of Last Connection with West Side of Waterway. Fierce Fighting Continues but German Assaults Have Apparently Spent Themselves.

(Special to The Guardian) PARIS, May 17.—Violent attacks launched by Germans in an effort to win back the ground lost on the French Heights of Loreto, Northern France, have been repulsed. This is announced in an official communication issued by the French War Office today. Four counter-assaults by the Germans at Notre Dame de Morette, North of Arras, were all checked by hot fire. The French captured 146 prisoners and four mitrailleuses at Hetsas in Western Flanders. The communication shows that hard fighting is still in progress upon the battle

field north of Arras and in the section of Ypres.

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, May 17.—Sir John French has broken his silence in regard to the movements of the British army Northwest of Labassee with the announcement of an advance of nearly a mile into the German line. This, together with the continuance of French thrusts both North of Ypres and south-west of Labassee constitutes the outstanding feature of the military situation to-day.

The military here regard the British advance as a genuine break of the German line which if maintained must mean retreat for a considerable section of the invaders' forces. The capture of the bridge over the Yser Canal at Stenstraet by the French deprives the Germans of their last connection with the west side of the waterway. German assaults on the British position at Ypres seem to have spent themselves at least for the moment. Field Marshal French reports there has been quiet there for the last 48 hours.

CANADIAN SOLDIERS WERE CRUCIFIED

Proof Submitted by R. P. Houston, M.P., That Wounded Canadians Were Bayoneted and a Sergeant, a Major and a Private were Crucified. Matter to be Taken up in House of Commons. Evidence of Eyewitness to the Outrages has been Submitted on Oath.

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, May 17.—Several letters from Canadian officers and men have been received by R. P. Houston, M.P., corroborating charges that the Germans crucified Canadians. As a result Mr. Houston intends putting forward questions in the House of Commons. He will ask the under-secretary for war if he has information that during the recent fight in which Canadians were temporarily driven back they were compelled to leave forty wounded in a barn and that on recapturing the position they found that the Germans had bayoneted all the wounded except a sergeant and that the Germans had removed the figure of Christ from a village church, crucified and fastened the sergeant there while alive, and also if the crucifixion is becoming a favorite practice of the enemy Mr. Houston pro-

duced a letter from a lieutenant of the Fifteenth Battalion which he showed to the Montreal Gazette correspondent confirming these charges, and also another letter which asserted that a Canadian Highlander was crucified on a barn door, with bayonets through his hands, feet and throat. The writer avows that the Chaplain took the statement on oath of a man who took down the body of the sergeant. Mr. Houston is an active member of the Administrative Committee of the Second King Edward Horse in which capacity he has come in contact with many Canadians. He is a prominent steamship owner. The Globe reports to-day that a letter from an officer in the Leicester Regiment charges that not only a Canadian Major but a man from the Fifth Leicester Territorials had been crucified.

RAILWAY MEN VISIT CAR FERRY WORKS AT CARLETON

No mere statement or description can convey anything like an adequate conception of the stupendous nature of the work which is being carried on at Cape Tormentine and Carleton Point—but particularly the latter—in connection with the construction of the Car Ferry. One must visit the place and see the operations, in order fully to realize what a tremendous undertaking has been grappled with and is in rapid progress, and to get an idea of the enormous amount of labor that has been, and has yet to be, expended on the project. Yesterday morning a number of the railway staff, among whom were the Superintendent, Mr. H. McEwen, Mr. W. T. Huggan, District Passenger Agent, Mr. G. A. Hughes, Chief Train Despatcher, Mr. A. McDonald, District Freight Agent, and Mr. J. J. Bethune, Track Master, went out to the Point on the freight special and while there had an opportunity of inspecting the works. Prof. H. H. Shaw, Provincial Civil Engineer, accompanied the party. Since the commencement of operations at Carleton Point last year, an

almost incredible amount of work has been done, and for what has been accomplished, considerable credit is due the engineers, Mr. F. R. Frippe, who is in charge of the Car Ferry terminals, and Mr. H. M. Downing, his assistant. These gentlemen are indefatigable workers who are minutely conversant with their business and go about it in a manner that compels admiration. Mr. Barrett, Foreman of the Roger Mill Company, the contractors, is another extremely busy man at the Point, and under his capable supervision the work is being pushed forward with all expedition. In spite of the great demand on his time, Mr. Barrett yesterday spared an hour to show a representative of the "Guardian" around, and an attempt is here made to give a description of what was seen. In the first place there had to be constructed two giant towers between the shore and the point in the bay at which the pier will begin, in order to place the stone. These towers are built on rafts so that they may be shifted according as the progress of the work demands. That on one shore is 105 feet high from the rails, and about 120 or 125 feet above the water. The other tower is 90 feet high from the rails. Now, before this latter tower could be built a "crib" had first to be erected for its foundation. This "crib" represents thousands of tons of stone, all placed solidly and built into an impregnable island 200 feet by 150 feet. On this little rock island, therefore,—if it may be described as an island—the second tower rises to a height of 90 feet above its rails, and between the two towers, suspended from the topmost of them, is a mammoth cable capable of bearing a weight of ten tons. Along this cable runs a carriage, itself weighing something like 3,600 lbs., although suspended in the air it has a trifling appearance, and attached to the carriage is a huge iron box (minus the fourth side) in which the stone is conveyed. By an intricate mechanical arrangement the box is so held that, notwithstanding it may travel down an incline, its contents remain in place. At intervals along the cable there are notches which vary in size about the eighth of an inch and these correspond with impressions in the mechanism of the carriage, whereby the stone is automatically dumped into the sea along the entire length between the towers. This arrangement for distributing the stone is rather complicated, but it is a remarkably ingenious device and intensely interesting. The distance between the tower on the shore and that on the "crib" is five hundred yards, and when it is stated

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MRS. M. A. HUGHES WHO HAS been conducting a boarding house on Grafton St., has removed back to her old premises at 107 Richmond St., where she will be pleased to meet all her old customers as well as new ones. 9997-5-17M31.

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Minard's Liniment Cures Neuralgia

GERMAN DIRIGIBLE DAMAGED IN ENGLAND

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, May 17.—Announcement was made by the Admiralty today that a German dirigible which raided Ramsgate early this morning dropping 40 bombs and injuring three persons has been pursued and apparently damaged seriously.

6000 ARMENIANS MASSACRED BY URKTS

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, May 17.—6,000 Armenians have been massacred in Van Armenia, Asiatic Turkey, according to a despatch received in official quarters in London to-day from the Russian Consul at Urumiah, Persia. The message was dated May 15.

KING CANCELS HIS DERBY RACES

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, May 17.—King George "scratched" his two candidates for the Derby, Friar and Marcus on account of the war. Other owners are following his example, and have eliminated their entries for the big event which today seems likely to be deprived of much of its popular character.

KING OF GREECE SERIOUSLY ILL

(Special to The Guardian) PARIS, May 17.—The condition of the King of Greece has become more serious, says a despatch from Athens to the Havas News Agency. Since noon today the fever of His Majesty has become higher, and has been accompanied by restlessness.

SUMMARY

(Special to The Guardian) LONDON, May 17.—Field Marshall Sir John French in a message to-night informed the British people that their troops again had assumed the offensive after a fortnight spent in hurling back German attacks and had swept across and captured all German trenches to the South of Richebourg Launoy over two miles front. This movement, which resulted in the capture of numerous prisoners, many of whom surrendered in bodies is still under way and gives indication of being as important in the matter of territory won as was the recent French advance. Elsewhere along the Western battle front a lull prevails.

In the East Vienna reports that Sunday passed without much activity. This is considered in military circles here as possibly indicating that the Russians have reached a point where they are able to reestablish their line. The Austrians, however, assert that their army is still advancing.

A homeward bound Zeppelin returning from a raid on England was attacked to-day as it reached the Belgian coast. The big gas bag is reported to have been damaged but the fate of the aircraft has not been learned as it drifted away in a fog out of sight of the attackers.

The strain of waiting for definite news of Italy's intentions with regard to the war has been somewhat relieved by the statement that nothing further is to be done until Parliament meets next Thursday. Maritime special trains are reported to be in readiness to take the German and Austrian Ambassadors out of the country. The German press is plainly gloomy over the situation.

TRANSYLVANIA ARRIVES IN ENGLAND

NEW YORK, May 17.—The Anchor Line steamer Transylvania passed safely through the war zone and arrived at Greenock, Eng., at 3 o'clock this morning, London time, it was announced by Cunard Line officials here.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diptheria

LABOR CONDITIONS STILL UNSATISFACTORY (Special to The Guardian) LONDON, May 17.—The Times Glasgow correspondent has made careful inquiry and declares that conditions in North England and Scotland districts which are producing war munitions are still exceedingly unsatisfactory and that they will likely continue so unless a great change takes place. Manipulation by trade unionists, drink and lost time are serious questions.

Island Roll of Honour WOUNDED Lieutenant Morrison, Georgetown Private Peter Hughes, Mill Cove Private Geo. W. Sharp, Summerside Private J. E. Lockerbie, Cascumpe Private J. A. Beaton, Brookfield Private McQueen, Mount Hope Private Bruce McLellan, Indian River William McIntyre, Charlottetown K. F. Ellis, Summerside Private Arch. McKinnon, Canoe Cove Private Norman McKenzie, Nine Mile Creek Corp. Ambrose Cosgrove, Wellington Driver W. L. Ferguson, Alexandria Gunner J. Bowden, Charlottetown John Stewart, Wood Island Stephen McKinnon, Charlottetown Emanuel Doiron, Charlottetown DIED FROM WOUNDS Charles L. Pitts, Charlottetown KILLED IN ACTION Sergt. William B. Brady, Charlottetown Private John Curley, Charlottetown

ALLIED AVIATORS DO \$2,000,000 DAMAGE TO GERMAN WORKS

(Special to The Guardian) GENOVA, May 17.—Information has been received here that aviators of the Allies have inflicted damage amounting to more than \$2,000,000 on the tanneries of Strassburg which are working material for the German army.

ENGLISH MINERS GO ON STRIKE

LONDON, May 17.—Some thousands of miners of the Black Country went on strike today in consequence of a dispute over the question of war bonuses. The Black Country is the name applied to the mining and manufacturing districts on the borders of Staffordshire and Warwickshire, Eng., between Birmingham and Wolverton.

EMPIRE DAY IN THE SCHOOLS

Friday, May 21st, will be Empire Day in the schools of this Province. It will be celebrated with greater spirit and deeper emotion than ever in the past. Since last Empire Day great events have transpired, bringing closely home to all many things formerly regarded as remote and improbable, and making clear to everyone the need of patriotism and the value of valor and self sacrifice. The Empire is at war; its life is in danger; men in thousands are freely giving their lives to maintain the principles of honor and good faith on which this Empire is built and all energies are consecrated to the great struggle in which this nation is engaged.

So, while the soldiers man the trenches and the sailors keep their ceaseless vigil on the seas, it is right and fitting that the boys and girls of P. E. Island should learn the causes of this war, understand what they are fighting for and realize the tremendous issues at stake in the conflict. Teachers ought by lessons suited to the occasion, by songs and readings and addresses to impress the minds of the children with the need of self-ridge, of diligence and faithfulness so that the war may be brought to a successful issue and an enduring foundation be laid for the peace that is to be.

COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

**Mrs. Gordon McKay will be at home Thursday afternoon and evening at her home "Lawndale", East Royal. 1029-mil.

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**Mrs. Robert N. McNeill will be "at home" this afternoon and evening at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew McNair, Hillsboro Square. 1032

**Mrs. Rogers, Government House, will be "at home" on Wednesday, May 18th, instead of May 25th, as she expects to be in Halifax on the latter date attending the annual meeting of the National Chapter I. O. E. 1025

Minard's Liniment Cures garget in cows

CONVOCATION AT MCGILL

The Convocation exercises of McGill University were held yesterday. Eighty-five graduates in Arts received the B. Sc. degree; forty-six graduates in Medicine received the M.D. degree; fifteen graduates in Agriculture received the B. S. A. degree, while 12 graduates in Law received the B. C. L. degree; nine graduates in Dentistry received the D. D. D. degree, while in the Post Graduate School, six students received the Master of Arts degree; eight the Master of Science, and two the Doctor of Science. The honorary degree of L. L. D. was conferred on Dr. F. J. Shepherd, former dean of the Medical Faculty, and on Charles Sarolea, the famous Belgian Consul for Edinburgh, Scotland, who has done so much with his eminent pen to make known to the world the sufferings of the Belgians in the past, eight months. Dr. Sarolea was present to receive the degree, and addressed the students.

Altogether over two hundred and seventy degrees were conferred. Many of those receiving degrees were in uniform, having enlisted for active service. One hundred and seventy-four students in the Faculty of Science—a third of the total number—have already gone or are on their way to the front; one hundred and ten students from the medical school have gone, and over a hundred from the other faculties; in all nearly five hundred students have gone since the opening of the college last autumn, a large percentage out of a total number of two thousand men students.

Hammond Johnson, Charlottetown, P. E. I., received the degree of B. Sc., in Civil Engineering, Faculty of Applied Science. Mr. Johnson has already gone to the front with artillery and received his degree in absentia. Albert Sharpe, Summerside, P. E. I., received the degree of M. D. Mr. Sharpe has gone to the front with the McGill Hospital.

Cyril Creaghan, Newcastle, N. B., formerly a student at Prince of Wales College, received the degree of B. A. Mr. Creaghan has gone to the front recently with a New Brunswick regiment.

In the third year, Faculty of Arts, Clarence Tildmarsh, Charlottetown, obtained First Rank Honors in the English and History Course, taking first place in that division. He obtained first class in Shakespeare, leading the first year in this subject, first class in "The English Drama, from 1590 to 1642," first class in English Composition (a study of the short story in English, being equal with two other students for first place in the year in this subject, second class in English Prose fiction, first class in Modern History, and first class in Constitutional History.

In the second year, Arts, Miss Wanda Wyatt, Summerside gets high standing in all subjects of the year, first class in English Composition, first class in English Literature, taking a very high standing in these subjects, second class in Latin, in History, in Economics.

In the second year, Arts, Cuyler McKenzie, Charlottetown, gets high standing in all subjects of the year, first class in English Composition, leading the class in this subject, second class in English Literature, in Psychology and Logic, in History and Economics, and third class in Greek.

CARS RUNNING AGAIN

DETROIT, Mich., May 16.—By unanimous vote the striking motormen and conductors of the Detroit United Railway today agreed to a plan for settlement of the labor trouble, which began yesterday morning, and it was said street car service would be resumed at noon.