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TERRIFIC AIR FIGHTS ARE IN PROGRESS

British Air Squadron Successfully Attacked Bavarian City, Causing Extensive Damage and Fires. Many Enemy Machines Brought Down. All British Machines Returned Safely.

(Special to the Guardian)
LONDON, March 18.—A British air squadron bombed Sewelbrucken yesterday says the British official report on aviation, issued last night, the report says "further military objectives in Germany were attacked by our airplanes today. Fourteen heavy projectiles and ten lighter bombs were dropped on barracks, munition factories, and the railway station at Sewelbrucken; explosions were seen all around the railway station. Our airplane formation was attacked by hostile scouts and anti-aircraft guns but all our machines returned safely." A great deal of air fighting took place Friday east of the lines along the whole front. Over twelve tons of bombs were dropped on hostile rest billets, ammunition depots and airdromes. A successful raid was carried out on an important siding at Hirson.

Twelve hostile machines were brought down and seven others were driven down out of control. None of our machines are missing. "After dark aerial activity was continued by our night flying machines until early in the morning. Eight and one half tons of bombs were dropped on the enemy's rest billets." Today's official announcement says: "On Sunday we again raided Germany, attacking the barracks and railway station at Kaiserlautern (Bavaria.) Direct hits were observed on

the station, and a large fire broke out."

"Our formation was attacked by a large number of hostile machines, which were driven off. All of our machines returned."

On Saturday thirteen tons of bombs were dropped on the enemy's billets, which have been bombed continuously for the last twenty-four hours, and two hostile airdromes and three ammunition dumps. At one airdrome a hangar completely burst. A Gotha machine in the act of rising was seen to crash.

Sixteen hostile machines were brought down and seven were disabled. Six of our machines are missing."

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

(Special to the Guardian)
LONDON, Mar. 18.—British air squadrons conducted additional raids on Bavarian cities on Friday and Sunday, bombing munition factories, railway stations and barracks. The official report reads: "Further military objectives in Germany were attacked by our airplanes today. Fourteen heavy projectiles and ten lighter bombs were dropped on barracks, munition factories and the railway station. Airplane formation was attacked by hostile scouts and anti-aircraft guns, but all our machines returned safely."

OPENING SESSION HOUSE OF COMMONS

Decks Cleared for Action. Speaker Elected and Members Take Their Seats Behind Their Leaders, Some on the Borderland Between.

(Special to the Guardian)
OTTAWA, March 18.—Canada's thirteenth parliament has held its first meeting, elected Hon. E. N. Rhodes speaker, and cleared the decks for action.

The opening sitting, which lasted something less than half an hour, developed little that was interesting, so many members of the cabinet were not in their places that the curiosity as to whether a seat had been left for Sir Thomas White was hardly satisfied. Neither A. K. McLean nor Sir George Foster was present, so there was a vacant place on either side of Sir Robert Borden.

However, those ministers in attendance adhered to the seating plan sent out to the papers last night, and the impression deepens that Sir Thomas White will not be back this session, if at all. Disagreement with the premier over the unenactment of the business tax is the latest reason given for the finance minister's continuing absence, though it is generally agreed that he was on the verge of a physical breakdown.

The great majority of Liberal-Unionists flocked to the Union side of the House, but W. S. Fielding found a seat behind; but well to the left of his old leader.

R. L. Richardson of Springfield, and Jas. Douglas, of Strathcona, were also on the Laurier side, though the seats they chose in the aisle may have indicated that they were just hanging on the edge. Archie McCoig, of Kent, was in his old seat close behind Laurier.

On the Union side, few of those besides Cabinet Ministers who were chosen to sit in the inner circle availed themselves of this opportunity. Dr. Michael Clark got as far away as possible. He was right over on the aisle as near the Laurierites as he could get and it is said he reserves the right to speak his mind on all questions.

The proceedings this morning were unimposing. There was a big turnout of members, but a sparsely settled gallery.

After the Commons had filed into the Senate and demanded all their ancient privileges, they were evidently told to go back and elect a Speaker. No one heard the order, but that's what they did, anyway.

Sir Robert Borden moved seconded by Hon. F. B. Carvell that Mr. Rhodes be the chosen one, and he said a lot of nice things about the man from Cumberland. Sir Wilfrid Laurier agreed, but though he looked aged and worn he showed his old power to irritate Sir Robert Borden by expressing the belief that the sitting had been irregularly called. The regular hour of meeting was three o'clock and if a change was made it should have been mentioned in the proclamation, he argued.

Sir Robert retorted, none too smilingly, that eleven o'clock was mentioned in the Order-in-Council if it had been omitted from the proclamation. It was only an incident but served to show that the Liberal leader is not too old to grab for technicalities.

Although the ceremony of electing the Speaker took place in the morning, the real opening of Parliament was at 3 o'clock this afternoon when the gentlemen of the Commons were summoned to the Senate chamber to hear the Speech from the Throne read by the Governor General, His Excellency, the Duke of Devonshire. Despite the novel feature of the new parliament, the opening show was the same as usual, no more, no less. The Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, Col. Chambers, preserved the traditional angle in each of his six bows to the Speaker, three on entering the Commons with the Vice-Regal message, and three on retiring.

When the Commons reassembled immediate consideration of the Speech from the Throne was proposed by Sir Robert Borden. The House ordered that the debate on

COMING EVENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETINGS, ETC.

**Reserve Thursday night, March 21st for the Pownal Red Cross Social at Forester House. Unique entertainment and supper. If stormy following night. 4004-3-19M21

*Regular monthly meeting of McDonald Women's Institute will be addressed by Miss Hazel Steves, on Thursday March 21st, at the Consolidated School. Patriotic lunch will be served. M21

STRATHCONA FARMERS' INSTITUTE will meet in the Consolidated School Thursday, March 21. Competent authors will address the meeting on tuberculosis and cattle, and meat testing. Pope Noy, Sec. M11.

*A free for-all and green race will take place on Cove Head Bay ice Thursday, March 21st at 2 o'clock sharp. Any horse from Mt. Stewart to Rustico may enter with exception of Charlottetown. A purse of \$25 divided into three prizes; also a purse for the green race. Entrance \$2. If Thursday unfavorable race will take place Saturday. By order of committee. 3099-3-18M11.

(Special to the Guardian)
AMSTERDAM, March 18.—A telegram from Berlin to the Koelnische Volkszeitung states that the Germans found 15 Russian warships in the harbor of Odessa when that city was captured.

the address in reply to the speech would be the first order of business, with the exception of introduction of bills, until disposed of.

Mayor H. M. Mowat, of Parkdale, moved the address. He said that any speech by His Excellency at the present time was worthy of consideration, because of the growth of the Duke in the public esteem since his arrival in Canada.

He said this first session of the thirteenth parliament opened under unusual circumstances. In a wartime election party affiliation had suffered more or less cutting off. Both sides in the last election, he said, were alike in having a common love for a common country and would unite in war time at least in the best efforts to bring about victory.

The address was seconded by Dr. J. L. Chabot of Ottawa. Sir Wilfrid Laurier adjourned the debate. Mr. Mowat paused for a moment to refer to the elimination of party feeling during the present election. "In the constituency of Parkdale," he said, "the dominant party had practically nothing to fear. It had been carved from the surroundings in such a way as to make it a Tory hive."

"And yet," he continued, "it elected me, an old opponent, because they believed in the sincerity of my adherence to Union principles, and I civalry surely could go no further than that."

There was a hint of trouble to come in Major Mowat's concluding remarks: "Although we may have our difficulties and our discussions over the tariff and racial questions," he said, "we will take those troubles when they come, and we will not worry about them till they do come, and in the meantime we will give our time to the affairs of our country, which stare us in the face at the present time."

Dr. Chabot of Ottawa, seconded the address in French, after which the House adjourned.

GERMANY WARNS U.S. GOVERNMENT

(Special to the Guardian)
LONDON, Mar. 18.—The Spanish and Swiss Ambassadors at Berlin have been directed by the German Foreign Office to notify the American government that Germany will proceed with measures against American property in Germany in the same proportion that action is taken against German property in the United States, Reuters' Amsterdam Correspondent reports.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT WESTVILLE, N. S.

(Special to the Guardian)
HALIFAX, March 18.—A. E. Craig, manager of the Arlington Hotel Westville was killed at Westville Friday night. He was in a sleigh driving with three other men from Westville to St. John when a car of the Pictou Electric Railway ran into the sleigh. The companions of Mr. Craig escaped with a shaking up. A verdict of accidental death was returned by the Coroner's jury.

Presentation to Captain and Officers Of Car ferry

(Special to the Guardian)
BORDEN, Mar. 18.—A number of the residents of Port Borden waited on the officers of the good ship Prince Edward Island in its spacious dining-room on Monday evening for the purpose of making a presentation to the officers as a mark of appreciation of the excellent service rendered the people of the province on the Borden-Tormentine route this winter.

Rev. A. J. MacIntyre was appointed chairman and Rev. J. J. MacDonald read the address while Mr. C. E. Rogers made the presentation of the gifts. These consisted of a valuable cabinet of table silverware for the Captain and another for the Chief Engineer while the Chief Steward was presented with a handsome pipe.

About fifty well wishers made up the party, including representatives from Pictou, Moncton, Halifax and other quarters.

The genial Captain Beattie vigorously championed the abandoned Pictou route and predicted that five years hence Pictou would be still forgotten. The majority, however, were of the opinion that by that time Pictou would be a splendid pasture lot. The whole affair passed off as such affairs should, with merriment and good cheer and all present paid a well deserved tribute to the splendid qualities of the Captain and officers.

Captain Beattie and the other officers gratefully acknowledged the gifts and the kindness that prompted them. Other speakers also gave excellent and complimentary addresses.

20 PERSONS BURNED TO DEATH IN N.S. LUMBER CAMP

(Special to the Guardian)
TRURO, N. S. March 16.—Twenty persons were burned to death when the lumber camp of A. Sutherland at Arvin siding, N. S. was destroyed by fire last night. Two men were badly burned and were taken to the Aberdeen Hospital at New Glasgow.

HOLLAND ACCEPTS ALLIES' TERMS ON SHIPPING

(Special to the Guardian)
LONDON, March 18.—The Times has a despatch from the Hague this evening which says that Holland has decided to accept the Allies' terms regarding shipping.

(Special to the Guardian)
WASHINGTON, March 8.—It was indicated here yesterday that at the same time Holland consents to turn her ships over to Great Britain and the United States for use in the War Zone she will make certain conciliatory concessions to Germany.

BOLSHEVIKI ORDER GENERAL MASSACRE IN ODESSA

(Special to the Guardian)
JASSY, Roumania, March 18.—After the Germans entered Odessa on Wednesday the Bolsheviki embarked on steamers for Sebastopol. Before leaving Gen. Muraviev, Bolsheviki commander in chief, ordered the massacre of officers, capitalists and Bourgeoisie and demanded the payment of 20,000,000 roubles by the population of the city.

GERMANS MEET RESISTANCE IN RUSSIA

(Special to the Guardian)
LONDON, Mar. 18.—German troops have occupied Bachmach and Kono, in the province of Tchernigov, about 350 miles southeast of Moscow, but were forced to retire from Brianks, in the province of Orel, 200 miles southwest of Moscow, towards the main base, according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Moscow dated Saturday. Austro-German troops are moving on Voroshiba and Kharkov, capital of the province of the same name and about 400 miles south of Moscow.

HUNS INNOCULATE ARGENTINA CATTLE

(Special to the Guardian)
LONDON, March 18.—Reuters Limited learns that there is reason to believe the Germans are following practices of which they have been proved guilty elsewhere and are inoculating animals in Argentina with bacilli.

TWO EXPLOSIONS IN PARIS SUBURBS

(Special to the Guardian)
PARIS March 18.—Two terrible explosions occurred in the Paris suburb St. Denis Friday. Certain quarters of the city suffered considerable damage. No details are known but it was announced that an official statement would be made later.

GERMANS CUT SWEDISH CABLES

(Special to the Guardian)
STOCKHOLM, March 18.—Communication with Helsingfors and other points in southern Finland has been broken. The Germans are believed to have cut the cable between Sweden and the Aland Islands.

THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TODAY IS THE 1323rd DAY OF CANADA'S PARTICIPATION IN THE WAR.

TORONTO, March 19.—Fair and clear with rising temperature. The highest temperature recorded yesterday was 33 above. At 9 a. m. it was 22 above. At 9 p. m. it was 26 above. The lowest the previous night was 14 above.

The tide will be high this afternoon at 5:13 and tomorrow at 4:11; it will be high tomorrow at 5:18 and Thursday at 6:28.

The sun sets this evening at 6:28 and tomorrow at 6:29; it rises tomorrow morning at 6:22 and Thursday at 6:21.

The moon sets tomorrow morning at 2:40. There was a new moon on Tuesday, March 12th at 2:52 p. m. The length of today will be twelve hours and four minutes.

DILLON OUTLINES HIS FIRST ADDRESS TO ENGLAND

Will Tell English Statesmen They Must Cease Talk of League of Nations Till England First Sets Her Own House in Order and Sets Ireland Free.

(Special to the Guardian)
ENNISKILLEN, Ireland 18.—John Dillon who succeeded John Redmond as leader of the Irish nationalists yesterday said his first task would be to tell England before the world that her statesmen must cease to talk of a league of nations or pretend to carry on this war in defense of small nationalities unless she first set her own house in order and set free a nation

that had for seven hundred years groined under her misgovernment.

(Special to the Guardian)
BELFAST, March 18.—Severe rioting occurred last night in the Nationalist quarter of Belfast between a mob of Sinn Feinners and the police. Many casualties were sent to the hospital including a number of policemen.

PETROGRAD HAS BEEN EVACUATED

No Citizens Will Henceforth be Permitted to Leave City. All Passenger Trains Cancelled.

(Special to the Guardian)
LONDON, Feb. 18.—The evacuation of Petrograd has been completed according to a reuter despatch from that city quoting an official communication. None of the population will be permitted to leave the city hereafter and in order to make certain that the order is obeyed all

passenger train service has been suspended.

(Special to the Guardian)
MOSCOW, March 18.—The all Russian congress of Soviets has ratified the peace agreement with Germany by a large majority.

MOST ENJOYABLE COMEDY DRAMA

"An Irish Eden" Given By Local Talent Under B. I. S. Auspices, Drew Big Audience Last Night.

A most successful comedy drama "An Irish Eden" was presented last night in the People's Theatre, under the auspices of the Benevolent Irish Society, and the sign "Standing Room only" was needed long before the curtain rose.

The plot develops in a small town, called for obvious reasons "An Irish Eden." But in this Eden there has to be a serpent, of course, and this serpent proves to be Harrison Woodsworth who is trying to separate for his own purposes two engaged lovers, Nellie Duffy and John Nolan. In this he is aided by May Dempsey, who is in love with John Nolan and hates her rival, Anna. In his efforts, Woodsworth is successful for a while, but under the influence of the good parish priest, Father Duffy, all works out well in the end and Woodsworth is requested to seek newer fields.

As minor strains through the play is the home life of the Patrials; the love vicissitudes of Anna Ryan and Tom Blake, the genial doctor who always was absent minded, and the pursuit of a husband by the housekeeper of the priest.

In passing, the historic art of Mr. McTague who personified Father Duffy is worthy of special mention. He took a star part and a difficult part in a manner equal to his city talk. In fact the entire play was as good and in fact better in many respects than many American and Upper Canada companies which visit this city.

The other priest, Father O'Brien, personified by R. F. Maddigan and Mrs. Courtland Hopkins as Nellie Duffy, niece of Father Duffy and Miss Bertie Stewart as his cousin, Mrs. Patrick played the parts as if they were written for them.

The two lovers, Anna Ryan and Tom Blake, were most cleverly taken by Miss Hilda Nowell and Mr. Allan McCabe and received the smiles and applause of their friends for the excellent way they acted their roles.

The comedy parts were in the capable hands of those two local dramatic stars Miss Annie Egan and Mr. W. C. Whitlock, who played as Mrs. Murphy the housekeeper to the Parish Priest and Gaston the irrepressible butler.

Miss Bertie Coyle, as May Dempsey the untrustworthy friend of Anna, and Mr. C. C. Dennis as Harrison Woodsworth with a designing soldier of fortune played villainous and difficult parts with skill worthy veterans of the boards.

Other characters who rounded out the tale and made much more merry and enjoyable a most delightful play were Doctor Nolan the life long friend of the Parish Priest, Mike Patrick, his cousin-in-law and John Nolan, a promising young lawyer are ably presented by Messrs. J. M. Hynes, Andrew Hennessey and Harry McEwen in order given.

Between acts there were most delightful vocal solos by Miss Amy Byrne and Mr. Charles Earr, who had to answer repeated encores.

Young Master William Weatherbie again highly pleased the audience with an exhibition of step dancing, as he has on several occasions this season. His work is exceptionally good and shows rare promise for a boy of his age.

An innovation and a decidedly pleasing one, too, was the singing act in costume by Miss Della Wales, dressed as a Red Cross Nurse, and Master Laurier McMillan, wearing a soldier's uniform. This feature was imported directly from New York. It is novel and most interesting and evoked round after round of applause.

The St. Dunstan's Orchestra, as usual supplied in its own inimitable style and furnished much of the enjoyment to the crowded house.

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT WAS DEFEATED

(Special to the Guardian)
MELBOURNE, Australia, Mar. 18.—The government of the Commonwealth of Victoria was defeated yesterday by a vote of 23 to 21 on a motion of the opposition protesting against reduction of war bonuses for railway men. The result was accepted as a vote of no confidence and the governor was advised to dissolve parliament.

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