

"WE MUST WIN THE WAR, NOTHING ELSE MATTERS" ---Premier Arsenault at Third Anniversary Celebration

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BRITISH TROOPS CAPTURE LANGEMARCK

Taking 1,200 Prisoners, Germans Fiercely Endeavoring to Re-capture Hill 70 but so Far Unsuccessfully and at Terrible Cost, Whole Battalions Having Been Broken Up. Without Hill 70 the Germans Cannot Hold Lens. A Second Great Drive Begun.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

LONDON.—Field Marshal Haig's troops captured Langemarck at noon today, Premier Lloyd-George announced in the House of Commons. Twelve hundred prisoners and five guns were captured.

In addition to capturing Langemarck, the Premier said, the British troops gained ground at many points. Severe fighting is continuing with the result undetermined.

The French, Lloyd-George added, had been co-operating most effectively on the left where the Canadians met with conspicuous success. Stewart Lyon, Canadian Press Correspondent in France, says the Germans are making frantic efforts to retake Hill 70 and ten counter-attacks by strong forces were repulsed. The enemy advanced four abreast and were mowed down by machine gun fire, their losses being terrific.

FRANTIC EFFORTS OF HUNS TO RETAKE HILL 70.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

BY STEWART LYON—CANADIAN HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, Wednesday evening, via London.—The Germans are now fighting with great tenacity to retain their precarious hold on the central portion of Lens. Throughout the day they have been bringing up fresh troops with which to carry on counter-attacks. The original force with which our assault was met was pretty well accounted for by the attacking force. It consisted of two battalions and the 165th Regiment. After the battalions holding the trenches had been put out of action the reserve battalions were moved up hurriedly. At nine o'clock while headed toward Hill 70 these battalions were caught under our artillery fire and dispersed. The enemy leaders next called upon the Fourth Guards Division which has been held on this part of the line for such an emergency as that which confronted the defenders of Lens. These guards proceeded towards Bois Hugo with the evident intention of retaking Hill 70. They too were caught under our artillery and machine gun barrage and so roughly handled that two attempts to advance, one at 11.10 o'clock and the second shortly after noon, had to be abandoned. Hill 70 was not even seriously menaced during the remainder of the day.

A short way to the north between St. Laurent and Lens the enemy recovered a portion of the line of our reserve trench, possession of which lessens for the moment our pressure from the north. Artillery and machine gun experts have just told me that the enemy's position is an impossible one and that if he cannot drive us off Hill 70 he will have to get out of Lens.

Our casualties can now be spoken of as light.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN FLANDERS.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

LONDON.—Troops of the Entente Allies in Flanders attacked German positions today on a wide front east and north of Ypres in Belgium. The official report of Field Marshal Haig says that progress is being made.

ALL COUNTER-ATTACKS ON HILL 70 REPULSED.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

LONDON.—On the Lens front where the Canadians yesterday captured Hill 70 and made further pro-

gress in the environs of the French mining centre all German counter-attacks, the official statement adds were repulsed.

BRITISH OFFICIAL REPORT.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

LONDON.—The text of the British official statement about the western front which was timed 12.11 p.m. reads:

"At 4.45 o'clock this morning the Entente Allied troops again attacked on a wide front east and north of Ypres. Heavy fighting is taking place but progress is being made at all points in spite of stubborn resistance of the enemy. On the Lens battlefield three more counter-attacks made by the enemy last night against our positions were repulsed. A hostile concentration in the neighborhood of Cite St. Auguste was broken up by our artillery.

ANOTHER GREAT DRIVE BEGUN.

BRITISH FRONT IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM.—(By the Associated Press)—Forces of the Entente Allies at daybreak today began another drive against troops of Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria along a wide front from a point opposite Poltign Wood, east of Ypres, to the left of the French positions on the northward.

FRENCH SURGE ACROSS STEENBEKE RIVER.

In the first onslaught the right flank of the French surged across Steenbeke River and at the same time the left wing pushed forward correspondingly. These meager facts represent the actual news at this hour from the scene of the new offensive with the exception that the French already have counted a hundred prisoners.

FRENCH AND BRITISH CAPTURE ALL OBJECTIVES.

PARIS.—French troops in Belgium attacking early today in conjunction with the British on both sides of the road between Steenstraete and Dixmude, captured all their objectives and crossed the Steenbeke river, the war office announced today. Further progress is being made along the river.

FOUR GERMAN COUNTER-ATTACKS REPULSED.

The French made an attack on the Aisne and captured German trenches on a front of one kilometre. Four German counter-attacks were repulsed.

AUSTRIAN REPORT.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

VIENNA.—The War Office claims that airplanes dropped bombs on the Maritime Arsenal at Venice on Tuesday morning causing many conflagrations.

BERLIN REPORT.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

BERLIN.—The German statement says that in Flanders the second great battle has burst forth. The British infantry are attacking German positions on a eleven mile front.

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

LONDON.—Newspaper expressions of opinion are unfavorable to the Pope's peace note and claim it was inspired by Austria.

IMPORTANT DOINGS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

C.N.R. Bill Passed Second Reading. Sir Robert Borden Declares War on Nationalists. Bill Governing Weight of Lobster Packages Before Senate. Rumours of Cabinet Re-organization.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA.—By a majority of 25 today the government voted down the Graham amendment and carried the second reading of the Canadian northern Railway Bill.

R. B. Bennett, Calgary, in his speech made a severe arraignment of MacKenzie and Mann, but voted for the Bill. He demanded greater precaution declaring that the value of the road, to fix the worth of stock, should not be on present cost.

Sir Robert Borden in a brief statement today declared war upon Quebec Nationalists. He declared that there was no collusion or alliance between the Government and the nationalists and it was the duty of government supporters to prevent the election of Nationalists who were unpatriotic.

The bill governing the weight in

packages of lobsters, now before the Senate, will be considerably amended through the efforts of Senators Murphy and McLean. The weight in packages will be for a pound tin, fourteen ounces, a half pound tin, seven ounces and picnic size, ten ounces. The clause governing labelling of packages will be amended giving the right to European firms to use their own labels.

There are many rumors current regarding cabinet re-organization but nothing definite has yet been done. N. W. Rowell, Ontario, Liberal leader, is here as is W. F. Priddfoot, one of his chief lieutenants. It is believed their mission is in connection with Mr. Rowell's position in the new cabinet if the Union government materializes.

"DO NOT DESERT US" CABLES GEN. CURRIE

"If Support is Withheld or Delayed it Means Additional Burden to be Borne by Men Already Doing the Seemingly Impossible"

General Sir Arthur Currie, in command of the Canadian forces at the front, in a cablegram from France, received today by Mr. J. M. Godfrey, chairman of the Win-the-War Convention, says:

"Greetings of the Win-the-War Convention held at Toronto are much appreciated by all ranks of Canadian corps. We sincerely sympathize with your endeavours to arouse our countrymen to the necessity of remaining united and firm in their determination to furnish troops in the field all necessary support.

"We deeply deplore the fact that the wisdom of doing so has become a subject for debate and controversy by those at home, and we have hoped that the example of what the corps has been able to accomplish by united efforts of men who have already sacrificed so much, would serve to inspire rival political factions to sacrifice their party prejudices in this hour of their country's peril.

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"The fight must go on until final and complete victory is attained. From agony of the battlefield goes forth the prayer that our homeland does not desert us in the hour of our need and of our approaching triumph."

Another cablegram just received at the offices of the Win-the-War League is from Stewart Lyon, editor of The Globe, now Canadian Press Correspondent at the front, as follows:

The long struggle between Autocracy and Government of the people by the people must be fought to a decisive end. In numbers, Canada is not adequately represented. Moreover, there is serious danger that when the man-power is most required Canadian forces will be rapidly decreasing. There is urgent need for such a suspension of party strife as will enable men everywhere in Canada to unite for immediate enforcement of the compulsory service measure.

"Sons of Canadian fathers and mothers, who in the flower of their youth go out to die in freedom's cause, should be given assurance that the filling of their places in the ranks is regarded in Canada as a solemn national obligation, transcending all party ties and loyalties. The men at the front confidently look forward to the immediate and adequate enforcement of the conscription law."

Minard's Liniment cures toothache.

CANADIANS IN CASUALTY LIST

(Canadian Press Despatch.)

OTTAWA.—The noon casualty list contains 125 names. Eleven were killed in action, 6 died of wounds, 1 a prisoner of war, 10 missing, 5 se-

riously ill 1 died, 91 were wounded. There are no local names.

ISLANDERS IN CASUALTY LIST.

OTTAWA, August 16.—The latest casualty list includes Gunner D. G. McCallum, of Lower Bedouque, Gunner J. R. Clarke, Central, Gunner A. A. McInnis, Red Point, all of P. E. Island artillery, reported gassed.

Minard's Liniment cures colds, etc.

PATRIOT TURNS DOWN ISLAND FISHERMEN

Says Although They Only Made Half the Usual Catch They Have No Right to a Second Season to Recoup Them for Their Losses.

For want of better material and in order avoid specifically answering the question put to it by The Guardian yesterday, the Patriot takes to deep waters and attacks the government for granting the petition of fishermen and packers in Prince Edward Island, for a second lobster season. Of course the Patriot is at sea with regard to its alleged facts and rather upsets the gallant Captain Read who claimed to have been directly instrumental in obtaining the extension. In order to bring the facts before those who are not familiar with them it may be recalled that according to official reports from the fishery overseer the catch this season was only 59 per cent. of normal for the whole province and on the south side it was even less than this. A large meeting of packers and fishermen was held in Summerside in June at which strong resolutions were passed asking for a second season. A delegation from Prince Edward Island and also one from N. B. waited on the Minister of Marine and Fisheries and presented the facts, strongly urging the granting of a second season. After full investigation by the department, which included the sending of an official from the department at Ottawa, the Minister granted a second season. It is true that some of the packers are not taking advantage of the second season, especially in places where codfishing is good and in other sections owing to scarcity of bait, but the extension has been greatly appreciated by the fishermen. If such second season had not been granted it would have entailed great hardship on a large number of fishermen who had secured only a small catch during the first season and also on many who had suffered the loss of much of their gear during the early spring storms. Should the second season bring up the whole season's catch to a normal one of an ordinary season it cannot be said to be detrimental to the industry as no more lobsters will have been caught than in an ordinary year according to the Patriot's own showing.

The Patriot, which purports to be the special friend of the farmers and fishermen is showing poor judgment in trying to make political capital out of the thoughtfulness of the Fisheries Department in granting this extra season solely to benefit the fishermen and in compliance with their petition.

Minard's Liniment cures distemper.

THE WEATHER, TEMPERATURE, TIDE, MOON, ETC.

TORONTO, August 17.—Moderate westerly winds, mostly fair and warm. Saturday south easterly winds unsettled with a few showers.

The highest temperature recorded yesterday was 75 degrees above. At 10 a. m. it was 72 above, at 9 p. m. it was 68 above. The lowest the previous night was 60 above.

The tide will be high this morning at 10.05 and tomorrow at 10.52; it will be high tonight at 11.24 and tomorrow at 11.55.

The sun sets this evening at 7.23 and tomorrow at 7.21; it rises tomorrow at 5.23 and Sunday at 5.24.

The moon sets tonight at 7.

The last quarter of the moon was on Thursday, Aug. 9th at 2.56 p. m.

There will be a new moon on Friday, Aug. 17th at 1.21 p. m.

The length of today will be fourteen hours and one minute.

Minard's Liniment cures garget in cows

HOW REAL LIBERALS REGARD CONVENTION

Prominent Liberals in Winnipeg have Subscribed to a Statement Declaring Dissatisfaction with the Hand Picked Convention. Alberta and British Columbia Liberals Follow Suit.

WINNIPEG.—Virtually every real-ly prominent business and professional man resident in South Winnipeg who owes allegiance to the Liberal party has subscribed to a statement declaring his dissatisfaction with the convention which closed Thursday. The statement, which promises an early public meeting, was issued yesterday afternoon. It reads:

"We the undersigned Liberal electors of South Winnipeg, who are dissatisfied with the result and spirit of the recent Liberal convention about the war, National government and leadership, have decided to call at an early date a mass meeting of these Liberal electors (both men and women) of South Winnipeg who hold similar views. Announcement will be made shortly as to the date and place of meeting."

Here are the signatures: Isaac Pibbado, K. C.; J. H. Ashdown; Frank O. Fowler; E. D. Martin; H. W. Hutchinson; F. S. Hartstone; Dr. Thomas Beath; T. D. Robinson; Manlius Bull; Edward Pariell; W. A. Windatt; P. D. McKinnon; H. J. Symington, K. C.; A. E. Bowles; S. E. Richards; J. N. Hutchinson; J. B. Coyne, K. C.; William Fisher; Edwin Loftus; E. H. Bennet; D. H. Hooper; R. G. Affleck; Robert Young; W. T. Kirby; Walter Trueman; Gordon MacKenzie; T. A. Crerar (President of the Grain Growers' Company); W. A. Matheson; C. S. Matheson; W. E. Milner; J. M. Wiltney; F. H. Jakeway; J. Billings; H. V. Hudson; R. W. Campbell; A. MacDonald; Dr. C. N. Bell; Dr. H. H. Clow; E. J. Tarr; J. H. Currie; R. S. Reid and others.

EDMONTON.—Intense dissatisfaction is felt by a large proportion of the Liberals of Edmonton and district over the result of the Winnipeg convention.

Some action will undoubtedly be taken to give effective voice to this feeling. It is probable that it will be along the same lines as followed by the dissenting members of the party in Winnipeg. The influence exerted at the convention by the machine-picked delegates from this city, largely drawn from the Provincial Government officers in the control of Attorney-General Cross, is felt to involve Edmonton in disgrace. For half a dozen years, Cross and Oliver have fought one another, but now, when a vital imperial issue has arisen, they have joined hands in support of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. Mr. Cross has extended his influence to Vancouver in recent years and also controls the organization there.

COAST LIBERALS REBEL

VICTORIA, B. C.—Until Premier Brewster and the delegates return from Winnipeg and clear the political atmosphere, Liberals here beyond expressing disappointment generally refuse to offer any public expression on the evasion of the conscription issue, and endorsement of Sir Wilfrid Laurier at the Winnipeg convention.

It is said here, however, that British Columbia Liberals, because of the force of public opinion, may lead in a movement to repudiate the pussy-footing of the Winnipeg convention. Efforts are to be made to place the Liberal party in British Columbia on record as directly favoring conscription, in a resolution to be introduced at the special session of the Legislature this week.

Before going to Winnipeg, the Premier said that if conscription were necessary to maintain the forces at the front, conscription would have to come, despite Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

CHARLOTTETOWN'S 3RD WAR ANNIVERSARY

Three Years Ago Today P. E. Island's "First Six" Left Home for the Battlefield and are Still on Duty. Two Having Been Wounded and Four of Them Decorated for Distinguished Conduct.

Following are the names of the first Islanders to go overseas to fight for King and Country:

Lt. Ernest G. Weeks, M. C. won the Military Medal for continuous good work at Ypres, and was awarded a bar to it for gallantry on the Somme. He was granted a Commission in the field about January of this year, and was shortly afterwards given command of the 2nd Infantry Brigade Signallers.

Before and during the attack and capture of the Vimy Ridge he had much to do with the signal arrangements which proved so successful. He and his men were instrumental in capturing 40 prisoners. For this he has been awarded the Military Cross.

The Bar to his Military Medal was one of the first 21 in the British Army.

Lt. H. R. Stewart was awarded the Order of St. George in August, 1915. In August, 1916 he joined the Royal Flying Corps in France, and was commissioned. He was flying in France for nine months, and was then sent

back to Canada, as an instructor in the School of Military Aeronautics, in Toronto, training Canadian and American Cadets.

Sergt. Vernon MacLeod is N.C.O. in charge of the Signal Section with which "the six" left Canada. He has won the Military Medal, and was mentioned in the despatches of the Commander-in-Chief.

Corporal George Gardiner was just 17 when he left home. He has won the Military Medal for fine work during the Battle of Vimy Ridge.

Corporal Harry Whitlock is a Motor Cycle Despatch rider. "Happy Harry" is the first of those boys to be wounded. He was hit in the arm during the Battle of Festubert in May, 1915. He is at present in England taking a course in aviation preparatory to doing his bit in the air as he has done on land.

Lieut. Heber Largo has been commissioned in the Royal Flying Corps since last April. He is now in England recovering from an accident recently sustained by a fall with his plane.