

BRITISH GUNS BUSY ALONG WHOLE FRONT

"Fighting Important," Germany Admits—Robertson Sees King—Briand Visits Haig—Official Reports

The British official statement, issued at midnight Monday reads: "We carried out successful enterprises last night at different points. Hostile lines were penetrated at ten different places. There was a good deal of artillery work on both sides yesterday evening and during the night. Our artillery fired with great effect, the hostile trenches being considerably damaged in many places. Four large explosions were caused by our heavy artillery in the enemy's rear guard lines, between Poeseres and Montauban. Today our artillery was again active at numerous points, and considerable damage was caused to hostile defensive works."

Premier Briand returned to Paris Monday after a conference with the British Commander, Sir Douglas Haig, on Saturday and Sunday, at the British front. The hour of action for the allies is here," says The Matin. "Attack succeeds defence on many fronts."

ULTIMATUM TO MEXICO

Wilson Declines Latin Offer of Mediation—Senate Acts

The United States Government declined on Monday to entertain proposals of Latin-American Governments for mediation with Mexico. Secretary of State Lansing rejected mediatory overtures made by Dr. Ignacio Calderon, Minister from Bolivia, who called as the spokesman of the Latin-American diplomats. Administration officials reiterated that "there is nothing to mediate."

SHACKLETON FAILED TO RESCUE HIS PARTY STILL ON ELEPHANT ISLAND, EXPLORER REPORTS

Lieut. Sir Ernest Shackleton has been unable to rescue the men, numbering 22 and comprising the main body of his Antarctic expedition, who were left on Elephant Island. This information was received on Monday in London from Shackleton from Port Stanley, Falkland Islands. The explorer has evidently returned on the steamer which had been placed at his disposal by the Uruguayan government for the purpose of effecting the rescue of his men.

STARVE BRITISH PRISONERS

Lord Robert Cecil, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, told the House of Commons on Monday that the British Government had learned that British civilian prisoners interned at Ruhleben were now being supplied with less than half the requisite amount of food. Dr. Kiyor, attached to the American Embassy at Berlin, learned that the German Government had reduced the rations of the interned civilians, Lord Robert said, and Ambassador Gerard gave the information to the British Government, which had protested.

ITALY WINS ON WHOLE FRONT

Lieut. Gen. Count Luigi Cadorna, Chief of the Italian General Staff, in a despatch to the War Office at Rome on Monday said: "An energetic offensive has been undertaken by the Italians. The Austrians have fallen back over the entire front. Italian forces have recaptured a number of positions previously lost to the Austro-Hungarians."

SANK AUSTRIAN TRANSPORTS

An official communication in Rome on Monday said: "Italian warships entered Durazzo roadstead on the night of June 25, and sank two steamers, one of 5,000 tons, and the other of 3,000 tons, laden with arms and munitions. The warships returned without loss to their base, notwithstanding the heavy fire of the enemy."

SELBORNE LEFT CABINET

It was officially announced in London on Sunday night that the Earl of Selborne had resigned the Presidency of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries. The general belief is that Lord Selborne resigned owing to the Government's Irish policy. He has been a strong opponent of the Home Rule policy.

UNPLEASANT FOR CANADIANS

A despatch from Seattle, Wash., Sunday said: Lieut. Ernest Anstin of the Canadian army is confined in jail here, charged with violating the neutrality laws of the United States by recruiting men here.

BUKOWINA OVERRUN IN SWIFT ADVANCE

Russians Cross Four Rivers and Approach Carpathians—Czernowitz Falls to the Russians

The Russian army under Letchitzy in Bukowina is knocking at the gates of the Carpathian Mountains, which lead into the fertile plains of Hungary. A Rome despatch on Monday said Russian troops have already crossed into Transylvania. Monday night's official report from Petrograd reveals an advance east of Kut, a movement of forces southward from Czernowitz, and the apparently hopeless position of Pfanzer's Austrian army.

REDMOND WINS POINT

Ulster Nationalists Reluctantly Accept Exclusion—Lords Oppose

A conference of Ulster Nationalists was held at Belfast on Friday to consider David Lloyd-George's proposal for the settlement of the Irish question. John Redmond, president, and was supported by Joseph Devlin. Mr. Lloyd-George's proposal was accepted by a vote of 475 to 265.

ALFALFA IN EAST

How to Sow and Care For With or Without "Nurse Crop"

Dr. Maite of the Dominion Experimental Farm deals as follows with alfalfa growing in Eastern Canada: When sown with a nurse crop the seed is sown from the grass seed attachment of the grain drill.

CATS KILLED BY WHOLESALER

Speaking at the meeting of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in London, Mr. H. Greenwood, M.P., said that in 1915 17,000 cats were destroyed at the headquarters of the Animal Rescue League. He thought cats should have a collar with the address of the owner.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT GOING

Earl Curzon May Become Canada's Governor-General

London despatches on Friday said: King George has given his sanction for the Duke of Connaught, whose term as Governor-General of Canada expires next October, to return to England, says an announcement issued by the Colonial Office. The King excused Prince Alexander of Teck, whose appointment was made before the war, from being the successor to the Duke of Connaught, as the Prince feels he cannot relinquish his military duties.

BOLD ROBBERY AND GUN-PLAY

Armed bandits are reported to have shot and wounded Bank Manager Lemarche at Ville Marie, Quebec, and blown up bank building with dynamite. They rode away without opening a safe containing \$18,000. Previously all telephone and light wires had been cut.

RETAKEN TRENCHES ARE CONSOLIDATED

Canadians Build Strong Defensive Positions Despite Intense Shelling—Counter-attacks Frustrated

The following communique was received on Friday from the Canadian General Representative at the front: Canadian Corps Headquarters in France, June 23—The consolidation of the positions recaptured on the morning of June 13 was carried out by our troops during the past week under difficult and trying conditions. Our original lines were found practically obliterated. The ground had been churned into a sea of mud. The remains of former trenches and shell holes were all deep in water. The weather continued cold and wet.

HIGHER PENSION RATES

Canada Adopts New Schedule Benefitting Lower Ranks

The Canadian Government has adopted the recommendations of the special committee of Parliament which last session considered the revision of the war pension regulations. The present Pensions Board of the Militia Department has been authorized to adopt the new scale, and to make it retroactive, applying to all pensions already granted since the outbreak of the war.

CARE AND KNOWLEDGE

How to Secure Velvety Sward That Rivals Flower Garden in Its Beauty

Advice on lawns is given by B. C. Tillet of Hamilton, Ont., as follows: There is no feature of our garden more important, if we would have it look well, than a perfect piece of lawn. It may be said to be the frame to the picture—the finishing touch.

FOR STOCK RAISERS

Advice For Handling Milch Cows and Steers

The cow calving thin has a poor chance to make greatest profits, if any profits at all. The persistent milking cow needs four to eight weeks' rest and good feeding before her next freshening.

CAUSE OF SOFT-SHELLED EGGS

Soft-shelled eggs are common in the early spring. The first and usual cause is that the bird is too fat. In this case make the hens take more exercise by scratching in deep litter for their feed, which should be reduced somewhat.

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REALISM IN ART

It was a gay and frivolous party at the Boston Art Club that gathered one evening to do honor to a number of artists, and soon the talk turned into the channels of art.

BLYTH'S CORNERS

We are living the strenuous life—work as long as we can see, with a date for every night this week.

DIDN'T NEED IT

"We Americans believe in augmenting our output. We believe in forging ahead. We're not like Smithers," said a Boston capitalist the other day.

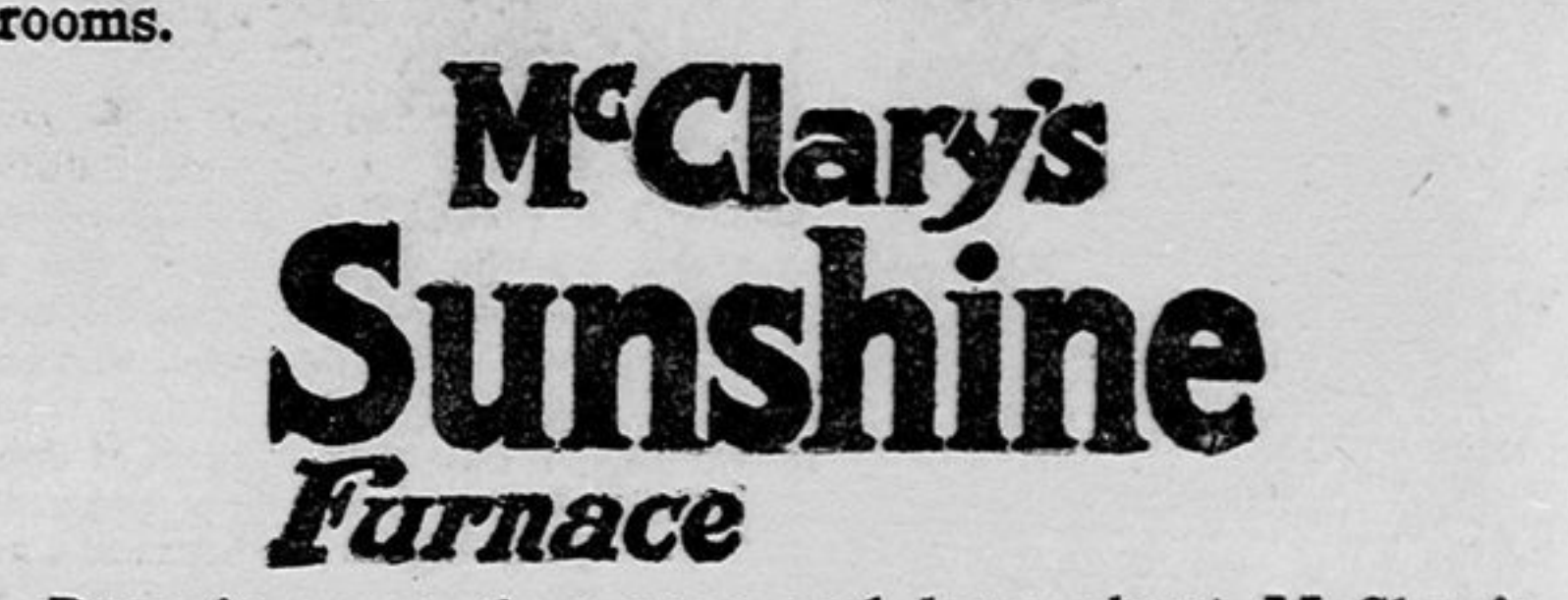
A JOB LOT

"I should have given him a look of my hair when he asked for it."

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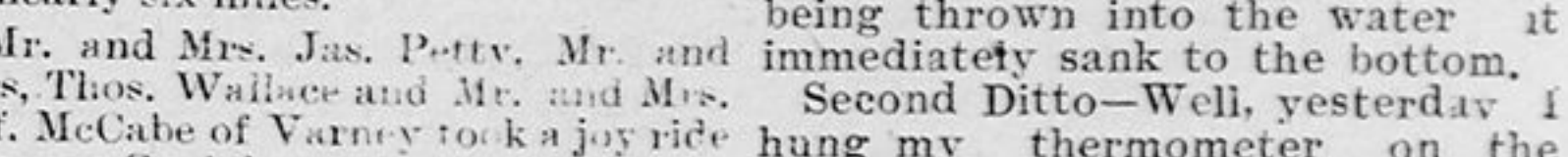
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