

MORALE OF BRITISH SUPERIOR TO ENEMY'S

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London, April 22.—To-day's contribution to the account of events at the front by "Eye Witness" makes the claim that the morale of the British troops is now much superior to that of the enemy, which has noticeably weakened since the Neuve Chapelle fighting.

The troops are now supplied with many things to take the minds of the men off the serious side of war. Chief of these is the bathing system, which keeps down vermin. Big rest depots are also established, at which band concerts, competitions, moving pictures, vaudeville and boxing divert the men.

In addition, thousands of mouth organs and penny whistles have been distributed, and the soldiers are encouraged to stage football matches in their rest periods. The beneficial result is very marked.

Bombarded Turkish Encampments.

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Athens, April 22.—The Turks have entrenched themselves strongly along the coast of the Gulf of Saros, from a point near the Enoson mainland, with particularly formidable works opposite Bulair (peninsula of Gallipoli.)

The Allied fleet yesterday bombarded Turkish encampments near Bulair, the position of which previously had been indicated by aviators.

A British torpedo boat bombarded a Turkish camp at Katophanagia, near Smyrna. A Greek sailing ship was sunk by a mine in the Aegean Sea. The captain and crew were killed.

Germany Ready For a War of Silver Bullets

Some "Hot Air" From a Leader In the Reichstag

Berlin, April 22. (via Hague and London)—It is to be a war of silver bullets Germany is prepared. Wall Street is and can be with the Allies, but Germany will remain unfrightened. The German people have over-subscribed two war loans. In my opinion they stand ready to over-subscribe a third, should a third prove necessary.

(Special to the Whig.) Berlin, (via wireless), April 22.—"The pen of the diplomat must not spoil the sword as so well achieved," impassionately proclaimed Count Passche, Liberal leader and vice-president of the Reichstag in discussing a suggested peace here to-day.

Killed in Action. (Special to the Whig.) Toronto, April 22.—Capt. Trumbull Warren who succeeded the late Captain Darling to the post of Adjutant of the 45th Highlanders was killed in action.

In New York several hundred straw hats appeared on Broadway on the hottest April 20th, since 1895. The temperature was seventy-nine degrees in the afternoon.

Col. Martin R. Sackett, Gouverneur, N.Y., announces his candidacy for congress to succeed the late Edwin A. Merritt, Jr., Potsdam, N.Y.

A. E. Dymally, M.P., was elected President of the Toronto Reform Association.

REPLY TO BERNSTORFF BY PRESIDENT WILSON

Washington, April 22.—The United States Government yesterday replied to the recent note in which Count Von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador, declared that "if the American people desire to observe true neutrality they will find means to stop the exportation of arms to one side, or at least to use this export trade as a means to uphold the legitimate trade with Germany, especially the trade in foodstuffs."

relations of the United States with any one of the belligerents "cannot wisely be made a subject of discussion by a third Government," such correspondence between the United States and the Allies as has been published shows "the steadfast refusal of the American Government" to acknowledge the right of any belligerent to alter the accepted rules of war at will, insofar as they affect the rights and interests of neutrals.

AFTERMATH OF BATTLE OF NEUVE CHAPELLE.



Some of the British wounded from the Neuve Chapelle fight, arriving in England at one of the ports awaiting transportation to the hospitals.

RUSSIANS WEARING THEIR ENEMY DOWN

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London, April 22.—Frederick Bennett, the Petrograd correspondent of the London Daily News, cables: "The Germans have sent large reinforcements through Moravia into north Hungary. These have now entered the scene of action and are the vanguard of the Austro-German forces in their attempt to develop a counter-attack against the Russian positions among the hills and villages of the southern Carpathians."

About 600,000 Austro-German troops are now engaged there over an irregular line between the Lupkow and Uszok Passes. The fighting in the middle of this position is very desperate, but the Russians are slowly wearing down the enemy's position.

The Austrian railway system near the Roumanian frontier has been closed, against ordinary traffic doubtless because they are evacuating Bukovina and are bringing troops around, under German orders, into Hungary.

Although the Austrians have lost half a million prisoners to the Russians since the war began besides a terrible total of dead and wounded, the Magyar controllers of the Austrian policy know well that Germany will not permit them to make a separate peace.

Accordingly the present battle is being fought with terrible ferocity by the German Magyar combination, with the knowledge that the destiny of the Dual Monarchy hangs on the result.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

A List Issued at Ottawa on Thursday Afternoon.

(Special to the Whig.) Ottawa, April 22.—The Canadian casualty list to-day includes the following:

Third Field Company of Engineers—Wounded on April 15th, Driver William Banfield; next of kin at Trenton, Ont.

Eighth Battalion—Wounded, April 15th, Pte. Russell Whiteside; next of kin in Brandon. Wounded on April 15th, Pte. Kolskuggar Thorsteinson; next of kin in Winnipeg.

Tenth Battalion—Wounded on April 15th, Corp. Edmund James Scott; next of kin in Brandon.

Thirteenth Battalion—Wounded on April 15th, Pte. Thomas Richard Adams; next of kin in Montreal.

Fourteenth Battalion—Killed in action on April 15th, Pte. William Alexander; next of kin in Montreal.

Sixteenth Battalion—Wounded on April 15th, Pte. Benjamin Holt; next of kin in Calgary.

ABSENCE OF REAL NEWS

From the Allied Front—Nothing New To Report. (Special to the Whig.) Paris, April 22.—Whether because of the tightening of the censorship lines or the failure of commanders at the front to report, there is again an utter absence of real news from the Allied front. This afternoon's official communique declared that the general situation was unchanged and that there was "nothing new" to report.

German Troops Being Massed To Meet British

(Special to the Whig.) London, April 22.—The German first line of troops are again being massed along the northern front from Soissons to the sea. Advice received to-day from Dutch sources indicate that the Kaiser's General Staff is preparing to launch a drive against the main new British army.

SPANISH EX-PREMIER DECLARES FOR ALLIES

Romanones Says it is a Crime to Delay the Expression of Sympathy.

Madrid, April 22.—"Silence at present is a crime, for if we wait until the moment of victory to show our sympathy for the victor is probably we shall be too late," was the assertion made by Count Alvaro de Romanones, former Premier of Spain, Palma, capital of the Balearic Isles. He pointed out that Spain's foreign policy since the Cartagena agreement in 1907 had been more and more favorable to the Triple Entente.

"The present hours are so grave and important," said the former Premier, "that it is necessary for Spain to make a solemn declaration. Without violating our neutrality we must say whom among the belligerents we consider our friends."

The speaker said that the Government was obliged to be silent on the subject, but that men not in office could declare that Tangiers was a national aspiration, and that the future of Spain was in the Mediterranean, while the future of Portugal was in Africa.

The ex-Premier's address was enthusiastically cheered.

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The correspondent emphasizes the importance of the capture of Les Eparges "in the teeth of the German Crown Prince," and notes that the French "are steadily pushing forward from Verdun toward Metz." He says that the strength of the German position in the Toul-Verdun barrier of fortresses is now more apparent than real.

"It seems to be certain," he adds, "that the Germans have begun to withdraw their heavy guns from the Somme. Confirmation of this would be important because it would be impossible for the French to occupy St. Mihiel, even if the rumors that the Germans have evacuated it are true, unless the Germans also quit Camp des Romains."

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Movement in England to Provide For Mothers and the Offspring of Soldiers Who Were Not Married.

There Are 20,000 Women and Girls Living Near British Training Camps Who Are to Become Mothers Within the Next Few Months--Many of Them Unmarried.

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London, April 22.—Admittedly the greatest side-problem of the war will be the caring for the "war babies" who are brought into the world with soldier fathers, and in some cases without the sanction of Church or State. Statistics completed here show that there are 20,000 women and girls living in close proximity to the British training camps who are to become mothers within the next few months. There are many women whose husbands have been killed at the front, who have only the meagre allowance granted to soldiers' widows to finance them through the ordeal of childbirth.

In order to solve the problem, representatives of over a score of sociological and philanthropic relief societies met to-day privately in the headquarters of the Women's Imperial Health Association to agree on a concerted plan for relief. It is the intent on the part of the leaders to have Parliament pass a bill to legitimate the child of every soldier, whether married or not, the mother and child to be provided for out of the public funds. To-day's Suffragette discussing the subject says: "War babies must not only be welcomed but given a greater rather than a smaller advantage. Every one will be needed and must be made a valuable asset to the nation."

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Turkish Troops Are in Retreat Before Indians

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London, April 22.—The official report of the Indian Office says: "The losses of the enemy in the Shaiba action total 2,500, and we took 515 prisoners who have been brought to Basra. The Turks everywhere are in a demoralized retreat. We sank twelve Arab vessels and here occupied Nakhallah."

To Tax Liquor Sales.

Albany, N.Y., April 22.—Liquor dealers whose sales exceed \$2,000, will be taxed two and a half per cent, annually on their gross sales by the provisions of a tax bill agreed upon by Republican legislators in conference. The vote for the tax was about three to one.

JOINS TERRITORIALS. Trenton, April 22.—Capt. John McDonald, son of A. A. McDonald, Marmor, is now serving as captain in a regiment of territorial cavalry, and is stationed at Canterbury, where he is acting as drill instructor.

There was a very small market on Thursday morning. Eggs sold at 20c a dozen and butter at 33c a lb.

DAILY MEMORANDUM.

See top of page 3, right hand corner, for probabilities of weather. Luncheon at 12 o'clock. A.O.U.W. meets to-night at 8 o'clock. Open night Y.W.C.A. Gym. class. Queen's Gym. Thursday, 8 p.m. Rummage sale at Congregational Hall, Johnson street, Friday afternoon and evening.

BORN. DAINAID—In Kingston, Ont., April 21st, 1915, Sergeant and Mrs. E. J. Dainaid, 225 Montreal street, a daughter.

MARRIED. JAMES CLARK—At Gananoque, on April 21st, 1915, in Christ Church, by the Rev. W. Cox, Bessie Clark to William H. James.

IN MEMORIAM. In loving memory of our dear son, Garnet Roy Aylsworth, who went to rest—April 22nd, 1915. The home was once so bright and clear in every roomy thread. The happy days and settled gloom. Since our sorrow is dead. Father, mother, brother and sisters.

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