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BRITISH ARE REGAINING TRENCHES AT HILL 60

French Drive Germans Back At Steenstraete.

ENEMY GIVING GROUND

BEFORE THE FRENCH ON RIGHT AND CENTRE.

Fighting in the North is Very Desperate—Important Developments May Shortly Be Expected From Upper Alsace.

Paris, May 6.—(From official communique.)—Fighting of the most desperate character continues along the battleline in the northwest, both sides losing heavily. It is admitted that the Germans have been able to make substantial gains on the eastern side of Hill 60, south of Ypres, but the French War Office says that the British were reinforced there and have a ready regained part of the trenches they lost.

Germans have attacked in force the French positions in the vicinity of Steenstraete, but were driven back with heavy casualties. The fighting from this point down to Hill 60 is being bitterly contested and Germans are reported to be strongly reinforcing their lines.

In the Ally woods the French are again on the offensive. The latest reports to the War Office admit that the Germans scored a success there, taking part of the front line of trenches, but the French re-attacking, managed to regain a portion of the lost ground. The fighting continues here.

The Germans have succeeded in recouping the summit of the spur east of Sillaker-Wasen, but elsewhere the French are declared to be maintaining their gains in the direction of Fecht.

All of the reports reaching Paris indicate that the French generally are taking the offensive on the right and centre, where Germans are slowly but surely giving ground.

It is rumored that important developments may shortly be expected from Upper Alsace.

The Mikado Presides Over Japan Cabinet

Tokio, May 6.—The deliberations among the Japanese officials concerning the situation between Japan and China continue. The Emperor will preside over a cabinet council. No official announcement is forthcoming concerning the situation.

A big fleet of warships is taking on supplies at Sasebo.

The Japanese in the province of Shantung are preparing to evacuate. Those in Manchuria are preparing to take refuge in the railway zone.

The Kokumizu says it learns from an authoritative source that the United States is endeavoring to mediate between Japan and China and that this is one reason why the cabinet deliberations have been protracted.

AN \$8,000,000 Boot Order.

Berlin, Ont., May 6.—W. G. Welch, M.P., held a conference with shoe manufacturers from Brampton, Georgetown, Tillsonburg, Hamilton, Berlin, Galt, and other points in Ontario here yesterday to consider a proposed order for two million pairs of boots, at an estimated cost of \$8,000,000 which the British government will require during the next three months. Shoes will have to be manufactured at the rate of ten thousand pairs per day for a period of seven months and will keep a large number of shoe factories employed.

Canada at Ypres, Punch Cartoon.

London, May 6.—The main cartoon in yesterday's Punch by Bernard Partridge is simply entitled "Canada-Ypres," and depicts a Canadian soldier, wounded, grasping the Dominion colors and the Union Jack amid the wreckage of the battlefield.

General Rundle Will Command A British Army

(Special to the Whig.) London, May 6.—The Official Gazette today announces the appointment of General Sir Henry Leslie Rundle, Governor and Commander-in-Chief at Malta, to the command of one of Great Britain's six new armies. Two of the armies already at the front are under Gen. Sir Douglas Haig and Gen. Sir Edmund Allenby, while another is in the operations against the Dardanelles under Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton. Of those armies not in action, Lieut. Gen. Sir Archibald Hunter commands the first "Kitchener Army" and Gen. Rundle and Gen. Hamilton the remaining two. Gen. Sir Arthur Paget has been appointed commander of the Salisbury training centre.

Exports of coke and coal from Great Britain have been prohibited.

WINNER COULD BOSS U. S.

Any Big Nation Could Give Americans "Awful Trimming."

Calumet, Mich., May 6.—"Whichever side wins in Europe will be in a position to boss the world and dictate to the United States," declared Colonel J. P. Petermann, of Calumet, formerly commander of the 34th Michigan Infantry during an address here.

"In its present condition of military unpreparedness the United States would have to take a bad whipping if it became embroiled with any other large nation. It would take the United States three years of hard campaigning to whip a good, serviceable, dependable army in shape."

"If the Allies whip Germany and Austria they will be in a position to 'boss' the world. This country could not help but bow to them in some measure, because the nation is not prepared to defend herself. If Germany wins, she will be in a position to play the world, just as we, as Americans, can hope for, therefore, is a draw in this big European scrap."

"There will be more wars. Just because one man whip another in no sign that the whipped man will quit. He will immediately go into training to whip his rival. So will it be in Europe. When all wars and all fighting come to an end, when will come the end of the world. Right now any of the large nations could give us an awful trimming."

State To Plant Trees.

Watertown, N. Y., May 6.—Water power owners along Black River are anticipating future benefits from the reforestation of old wood land near the head waters of the river within the next few weeks. Several thousand small pine trees are to be set out on a plot several times as large as any where the work has been carried on before.

Forty thousand Scotch pine trees will be shipped out by the State Conservation Commission for the work. This number is expected to be sufficient for nearly fifty acres of land.

LORD BROOKE TO HEAD ONTARIO BRIGADE

After Second Contingent Reaches England—Col. Denison Until Then.

Montreal, May 6.—Col. Lord Brooke, Chief A.D.C. to Sir John French, is to take command of the Ontario Infantry Brigade with the second Canadian expeditionary force. Major-General Sir John French, Minister of Militia, announced at the Windsor Hotel, Montreal. Major-General Hughes stated that this appointment was the outcome of cable communications with Lord Kitchener and Sir John French.

It is understood that Col. Septimus Denison, temporarily in command of the Ontario Infantry Brigade, will go with the brigade to England and there hand over the command to Lord Brooke, who will be in charge during the training, as well as when the brigade goes to the front. Col. Denison is not in good health.

Col. Leopold Guy Francis Major Greville, Lord Brooke, M. V. O., the eldest son of the Earl of Warwick, has devoted his life to military work. He served several months in 1914 as Camp Commandant at Petawawa, where many thousands of Canadian troops passed through his hands. He is of the British Yeomanry.

TURRET CHIEF SOLD.

Will be Repaired and go to Ocean Traffic.

Detroit, May 6.—A deal has been closed whereby Adam Mackay, Hamilton, and associates, purchased from the Lake Hull Underwriters, the Canadian steamer Turret Chief, wrecked in the storm of November 9, 1913, on Lake Superior. The Turret Chief, which is now on the bottom at Port Arthur, where she was placed after being rescued, will be repaired, after which she will join the "back-to-the-coast" movement so prevalent among canalized steamers on the Great Lakes.

The Turret Chief was built in England in 1896. She is 253 feet long and 44 feet beam. Prior to coming to the lakes she was operated on the ocean.

DARDANELLES OPERATIONS

Progress With Great Satisfaction To The Allies.

(Special to the Whig.) London, May 6.—Answering a question in the House of Commons this afternoon, Premier Asquith gave the assurance that the operations in the Dardanelles are being pressed forward under highly satisfactory conditions, both on land and sea.

BRITISH SHOULD USE GASES.

(Special to the Whig.) London, May 6.—A suggestion that Great Britain adopt similar measures in retaliation for the use of gas in battle by the Germans, took concrete form today when Joseph King, M. P., in the House of Commons announced his intention of introducing a resolution to this effect.

INCENSANT LAND FIGHTING PROCEEDS IN THE DARDANELLES.

Both sides make protest that the Germans in their retreat before the British forces poisoned all the wells with arsenic.

The Germans and Austrians have concentrated all their forces at various points to make a tremendous smash on the Russian front.



THE "SCRAP OF PAPER MAN." A recent picture of Von Bethmann Hallweg, the German Imperial Chancellor, in military attire.

ALLIES OCCUPY Valuable Interior Positions at The Dardanelles.

TURKS LOSE HEAVILY

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Bombardment of Smyrna Continues at Long Range—Turkish Masked Batteries Have Cost the Allies Heavily.

(Special to the Whig.) Athens, May 6.—To-day's advances from Tenedos say that the Allied fleet is continuing its bombardment of the Straits, the fire being again directed by seaplanes.

The Allies are declared to occupy interior peninsula positions of great strategic value. The Turks are constantly returning to the attack and are being beaten back with heavy losses. In one engagement at Camp Kithra they left 1,500 dead in front of the British position.

Their masked batteries have cost the Allies heavily, as the Turkish gunners have the exact range of all of the positions held by them.

The bombardment of Smyrna at long range continues. Prisoners confirm the rumor that the fire from ships has annihilated an entire Turkish regiment.

CANADIAN CRUCIFIED?

London, May 6.—The Morning Post says that a Lieut.-Colonel, writing under date of April 20th, says: "The Canadians have done splendidly. They are, however, somewhat with rage because they say they found one of their men crucified. This is not mere camp gossip, but a general voucher for the fact."

Scientists Rewarded

Paris, May 6.—The French Institute has announced that the Ostris prize, which amounts to 183,000 francs, (\$36,000), has been awarded chiefly for discoveries in medicine. Doctors Chotomass and Vidal, discoverers of anti-typhoid vaccine, will divide 50,000 francs (\$10,000), while an equal amount will go to Dr. Vincent, whose researches resulted in the finding of other vaccines.

Main Attacks Are Being Made On The British

(Special to the Whig.) Paris, May 6.—While the Germans to-day continue their main attacks on the British positions in an effort to take Ypres, the French and Belgian forces are violently attacking their right wing and have made gains between Fregale and Het Sas. If this can be continued they will aid materially in lifting the pressure on the British position, as it will force the Germans to retire from the bridge heads they are holding about Steenstraete. The new French heavy artillery is being used along this line with great effect.

Along the line in France, in the Champagne region and between the Meuse and Moselle, heavy artillery exchanges were reported to-day. Night attack on the French position at Calesanne has failed.

TORPEDOED AND SUNK.

Three Vessels Are Reported as Victims of Germans.

(Special to the Whig.) Copenhagen, May 6.—The Swedish steamer Vanadis, from Blyth, coal laden, was torpedoed and sunk in the Baltic by the German auxiliary cruiser Siraya. The British schooner Earl of Latham, was torpedoed off the Irish coast. Her crew has been landed at Kingal. The trawler Stratton was sunk by German submarine.

Mrs. Sidney M. Halliday died near Elgin on May 1st of a complication of diseases. Deceased was born about fifty years ago near her present home. She was quiet and reserved in disposition, and in religion was a Methodist. She was a daughter of the late John Coon.

KINGSTON SAD FAREWELL TO THE OVERSEAS UNITS

Which Left the City on Wednesday Evening.

15,000 PEOPLE LINED

THE ROUTE OF MARCH TO RAILWAY STATION.

Mayor Sutherland and W. F. Nickle, M. P., Addressed the Units at the Armouries—Touching Scenes Were Witnessed at the Junction.

Fifteen thousand people said farewell to the 21st Overseas Battalion and the Queen's Stationary Hospital Corps on Wednesday evening when those units left the city. Montreal street was lined from end to end as the battalion and hospital corps passed through to the railway station. There were touching farewells, the bands played "Should Auld Acquaintance Be Forgot," "The Girl I Left Behind Me," "Tipperary" and "Johnny Canuck the Boy," and the trains rolled slowly out of the station yards amid hearty cheers from the assembled crowds.

The kit inspection of the 21st Battalion was made by Major C. C. Bennett on Wednesday afternoon. The battalion with bands paraded to Artillery Park at 3 p.m. and formed into companies. The roll call was taken and beginning with No. 1 Company the kit of every man was thoroughly inspected. Any defects or changes that were necessary were ordered, but very little of this was necessary as a very complete and thorough inspection was made a few days ago.

The men wore their overcoats and Oliver equipment. This equipment held waterproof sheet, blankets, canteen, and knap-sack. The knap-sack held a sweater coat, housewife, socks, underwear, shaving utensils, and everything that a man needs on active service.

After the inspection the companies went to their own quarters, where supper was served.

The Mayor Speaks.

In addressing the 21st Battalion Wednesday afternoon, Mayor Sutherland said: "The time has now arrived which we know you have all been looking forward to with the greatest eagerness—the time when you leave the old Limestone City to go to the front to meet the enemy of our empire."

"I not only express my own feelings but those of the citizens of every class when I state that Kingston has indeed been greatly honored in having the 21st Regiment receive its training in our midst. By your gentlemanly and soldierly conduct you have endeared yourselves to us all, and it must indeed be a great pleasure to you commanding and other officers to know that they have the honor of commanding such a fine body of men."

In Queen's Stationary Hospital Mayor Sutherland said: "Your mission is different from that of the 21st Regiment. It is an errand of mercy, and I must congratulate you on the personnel of your staff, both military and civil; also on the personnel of the Nursing Sisters who accompany you."

"That our sons who are wounded or ill will receive that loving care and attention which is their due, is assured, and we know that in your own field a large measure of credit and honor will fall upon the Dominion and city whom you represent and the college which sends you forth."

"The personnel from your commanding officer down is one which any country or city may well be proud of, and I can assure you the old Limestone City is more than proud of its representatives in this contingent and those who have gone before."

W. F. Nickle, M. P., spoke a few words, referring to the appreciation by the citizens of having the battalion here all winter. It was with regret that he noticed yet it was a pleasure to see so many young, earnest Canadians willing to go to the front. He said he thoroughly believed the remark that there were two Canadians at all times ready to fill the vacancy that a German bullet might make in the Allies' line. The 21st Battalion had very efficient officers and men and the combination had worked such wonders that at present the 21st is one of the best if not the best battalion to leave the Canadian shores.

In reply, Lieut.-Col. W. S. Hughes thanked the Mayor and Mr. Nickle for their kind words, and said that if Kingston appreciated having the battalion here all winter, he for one appreciated the people's treatment of the men. Every one in Kingston has done everything possible for their comfort, and he was sure that the men would always remember their stay in Kingston as one of the most pleasant events of their lives.

An Impressive Departure.

The departure of the units was one of the most impressive events Kingstonians have ever had an opportunity of witnessing.

The nursing sisters, in their natty military uniforms with cap badges, insignia of their lieutenant's rank on their shoulders, and everything complete, boarded their Pullmans at the city Grand Trunk station at 7 o'clock amid the cheers of hundreds.

The officers and men of the hospital corps marched from the armories to the outer station with the 21st Battalion to music furnished by

the R.C.H.A., 14th and 21st pipe, bugle and brass and the Salvation Army bands. As the units entered the station gates a great cheer broke from the crowds.

Every car at the two trains was marked with the number and name of the company for which it was meant, and there was no confusion, although the farewells from so many friends made the soldiers' progress through the mass rather difficult. Everyone was crowding to get near the line and say good-bye to friends. Needless to say, the nurses were given a great send-off. All were in a cheerful mood.

An hour later a short whistle of the locomotive was the signal for the start and the first train pulled slowly out of the yard.

Notes About the Departure.

As the 21st Battalion approached the gate of the Junction station, Lieut.-Col. Hughes espied Trooper L. W. Mulloy, the blind South African veteran, in a carriage, and he hurriedly led the ranks to shake hands and say farewell. It was a touching little scene.

The Kingston Veterans' Association, headed by a large Union Jack, led the overseas units on the march to the station.

There are still in the various hospitals of the city several soldiers connected with the 21st Battalion. They may be unfit for further active service. Three members, however, who showed signs of marked improvement were taken from the military hospital on Queen street, Wednesday evening, and placed in a cab, which drove them to the railway station. Here they were placed aboard the hospital coach. These soldiers were Col.-Sergt. Holmes, Sergt. Mantell and Pte. Leach. The latter, thinking that he was going to be left behind, cried until the officer in charge was finally persuaded to allow him to go.

Queen's Stationary Hospital.

Queen's University, lower campus was well filled with interested spectators at 4:30 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon when a review was held of the members of Queen's Stationary Hospital Corps who are going overseas.

The members of the corps were put through their drill and they made a fine showing. The nurses who appeared in military uniform were much admired and many were the complimentary remarks heard about them.

After the review a group photograph was taken of the corps by G. E. Morrison.

Afterwards the corps was entertained at tea in the Red Room at the University by some of the wives of the city doctors.

The Toronto City Council fixed the tax rate for 1915 at 22 mills, plus one mill for war taxes. Mrs. Glen Sherman died at the residence of her father, Malhon Yates, near Washburn's Corners, on May 5th.

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DAILY MEMORANDUM.

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DIED.

DUPUY—Killed in action in France. Private Harry Leonce Dupuy, 14th Battalion, Canadians, son of H. S. Dupuy, manager Bank of Montreal, Brockville, and grandson of the late Glen Dupuy, H. M. Ordnance, former of Kingston.

MORAN—At Hotel Dieu Hospital, in Kingston, on May 6th, 1915, James Moran.

Funeral from the family residence, Pittsburg, on Saturday morning at 8:30 o'clock to the Church of the Holy Name, Cushman St., where a solemn requiem mass will be sung for the happy repose of his soul. Friends and acquaintances are kindly invited to attend.

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