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Allies Artillery Demolished Several Bridges Over Yser-- German Surprise Attacks Failed--Indications That An Important Engagement Is About to Begin Between Lorette And Arras.

(Special to the Whig.) Paris, May 18.—Two thousand Germans were slaughtered by shell fire when the Teutons made their last stand on west bank of the Yser, according to official despatches to the War Office to-day.

SOME CANADIAN DEAD BURIED WITH THE BRITISH

(Special to the Whig.) Ottawa, May 18.—The casualty list from the front continues to grow at a fairly rapid rate. Of six thousand and odd Canadians stated to be killed, wounded and missing after the battle of Langemarck, 5,000 have up to this morning been mentioned in official cables.

Lord Fisher May Resign As First Sea Lord

(Special to the Whig.) London, May 18.—There have been no new developments so far today in the threatened break between Winston Spencer Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, and Lord Fisher, Admiral of the Fleet and First Sea Lord.

War Virtually Declared By Italian King

(Special to the Whig.) Rome, May 18.—The Italian King, Victor Emmanuel, has virtually declared war on Germany, according to the unanimous accord of the King, Government and Nation.

SOURCE OF EXPLOSIONS FROM GUNS A MYSTERY

What was the origin of the explosions that occurred Monday evening ten minutes after eight o'clock? This is the question that was asked on the street on Tuesday morning. Two loud explosions that sounded, as one officer thought, from an eighteen-pounder artillery gun, were heard.

ANOTHER ONLY SON.

A Royal Military College Graduate Died Of Wounds. Chatham, Ont., May 18.—W. C. Crawford, of Tilbury, has received a message from England stating that his son, Lieut. Richard G. Crawford, has died of wounds.

Ordered to Portuguese Angola. London, May 18.—The Daily Mail correspondent at Copenhagen learns from Berlin that the German army in German South-West Africa has been ordered to enter Portuguese Angola in order to avoid capture by the Union of South Africa forces.

New President Of Portugal Shot On Train

(Special to the Whig.) Lisbon, May 18. (Via London)—Jose Chagas, the new president of the Cabinet, was shot four times with a pistol while on board the midnight train from Oporto. His assailant was Senator Freitas, who also was shot and wounded by a passenger when the train was in a tunnel.

Assassin Reported Dead. Madrid, May 18. (Via London)—A despatch received here from Lisbon concerning the shooting of Senator Chagas says the attack occurred at the Entrenamento Railway station. The despatch adds that Senator Freitas was killed.

Mother Gives Only Son. Lindsay, May 18.—"I would rather die of starvation than in dishonor." Such was the answer of a Lindsay mother when in the presence of Sgt.-Major Allison, her son, Pte. Blair, asked permission of his mother to join the Canadian forces for overseas service.

MONTREAL 273 YEARS OLD. Montreal, May 18.—Montreal is celebrating two hundred and seventy-third anniversary of its foundation to-day.

Michigan's state tax for 1915 will be the largest on record, \$9,338,568.

DUG GRAVES And Died In Them, Says Sax-on Press.

THE SPLENDID WORK PLUCK AND DETERMINATION MARKED WORK.

Many Left on Field After First Advance—Prisoners and Wounded Are Receiving Attention to Their Wants, He Writes. London, May 18.—Col. Hamble sends us the following letter from Captain Straight. In sending it Col. Rennie remarks: "Our casualties have been very heavy, but as you can see from the enclosed the regiment behaved most creditably."

THIS GIRL IS FRANTIC TO GET AT GERMANS Wants Revenge For Death of Eight Cousins—Says Sex Is Not Bar. London, Ont., May 18.—Impelled by the urgent message from her aged grandfather in Scotland and by her own intense longing to avenge the death of eight of her cousins, Miss Jessie Strickland, of 264 St. James street, is now trying to find a way to go to the front.

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KNOWS WAY CAT JUMPS. Dr. Dernburg's Anxiety To Leave U. S. Is Obvious.

London, May 18.—The London News, referring editorially to Dr. Dernburg's apparently anxiety to leave the United States and return to Germany, says: "Either he thinks his work is finished or thinks it a definite failure. The real test is whether in American politics German-Americans will put Germany before other issues and causes."

BUYING COMMISSION IS GETTING TO WORK

The Dominion Patronage List, It Is Now Claimed, Has Been Abolished. Ottawa, May 18.—The system of purchasing war supplies in Canada has undergone very radical changes since the beginning of the present year.

Big Russian Victory. Petrograd, May 18.—Complete victory for the Russians in South-eastern Galicia and Bukovina is announced by the War Office in an official statement issued here yesterday.

GERARD REPORTS READING THE U. S. MESSAGE

Washington, May 18.—Germany received the Wilson protest against submarine war as applied to merchant vessels, in the most friendly way. Her Foreign Minister treated Ambassador Gerard with the utmost courtesy and consideration when he read the American position, as set forth by the President.

RUSSIANS SWEEPING GERMANS BACK AGAIN

Austro-German Advance on Przemyśl Again Halted—Russians Have Forced a Crossing Of The River Pruth

And Are Moving Southward For An Invasion Of Bukovina --The Austrians Were Routed Along the Entire Dniester Front--Russians Took 30,000 Prisoners.

(Special to the Whig.) Petrograd, May 18.—The Austro-Germans have again been halted in their advance on Przemyśl, according to despatches received here to-day. The enemy's losses in the infantry engagements, twenty miles north of the fortress, were described in semi-official despatches as "exceptionally heavy."

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DAILY MEMORANDUM

See top of page 2, right hand corner for probability. SMITH—In Kingston, on May 18th, 1915, to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Smith, 8 Chestnut street, a son.



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