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CAN SLAVS ESCAPE THE GERMAN JAWS?

Enemy's Big Turning Movement Meets Effective Resistance in North of Parallelogram---Heavy Losses Inflicted Upon Pursuing Armies.

Petrograd, Sept. 20.—The main question now is whether the Vilna troops will be able to make good their retirement from a very difficult position. Everything was fairly simple until the Germans cut the Vilna-Dvinsk railway at Svientsany and flung a big force of cavalry into the parallelogram north-east of Vilna bounded by the railways connecting the junctions of Dvinsk, Polotsk, Molodutchno and Novo Vilask. This raid heralded a big German turning movement. In the north of the parallelogram the enemy's cavalry met with effective resistance, and after several fierce engagements with the Russian horsemen they were driven back beyond reach of the Polotsk angle. The one result of their action here was that the Germans were able to capture Vidzy, thirty miles south of Dvinsk, and dig themselves in, but for the present the Dvinsk operation is of secondary importance for the Germans.

Inflicting Heavy Losses.

The Russian army of Vilna is now on the narrow outlet along the railway passing through Lida to Baranovitch and upon the Lida the Germans are advancing from Orany, but the vigor of their advance is met by the equally vigorous Russians' resistance. The Germans are progressing slowly and with heavy losses, and though they have reached Radiun, sixteen miles north-west of Lida, it may be hoped that the main body of the Russian Vilna troops will be able to fight their way out of the danger zone before the northern and southern flanks of the enemy meet. Until the smoke of the terrible Vilna fighting clears away it is impossible to tell what further object the Germans may have in view in their outflanking movement, besides the attempt to surround the Russian Vilna army group. It should be pointed out, however, that farther down the line of exit the Germans have been moving slowly towards Slonim and Baranovitch, and that still farther south, on the Breithomel line, they have reached Pinsk, which covers Luninetz, another junction.

On the important Vilna-Rovno railway south of the Breithomel line the situation is much brighter. The Russians are taking full advantage of the swamp region and frustrating all attempts of the enemy right flank to come up level with the centre and left.

No Official Anxiety.

Petrograd, Sept. 20.—Assurances are given that it is considered impossible for the Germans to succeed in their threatened envelopment of the Vilna group of armies, although they have succeeded in outflanking the Russians on their right, and even in spending cavalry to take the railway in the rear at Vileika.

Confidence is felt in the steadiness of the Russian retirement and their ability to escape from the sack in which the Germans had calculated on catching them. The chief ground for this belief is supposed to be the inability of the enemy to bring up forces large enough to surround the Russians. The Germans have certainly taken a big risk in sending their cavalry so far east, and the position of the Russian troops is undoubtedly difficult, but this manoeuvre of the enemy is more perilous than previous movements of the same kind.

It is satisfactory, therefore, to be enabled to transmit official assurance that no anxiety is felt as to the outcome.

"What They Found"

THE SPORT REVIEW

With the National League closing on Oct. 7th, Philadelphia going strong with a 3 1-2 game lead, look like winners.

Toronto was possibly the best team in the International Baseball League at the finish and the fans are justly proud of McCaffery, Clymer and the team. They wind up nicely in third place.

The Ottawa Football Club commences practice on Monday for their Big Four games. "Eddie" Gerard is again in charge and the players will get down to hard work at once.

James A. Gilmore, President of the Federal League has made public a letter he has sent to the National Baseball Commission challenging organized baseball to a world series with the Federal.

Catcher Bradley Kocher, of the Toronto ball club, has been drafted by New York Nationals. He is the second break in the ranks. Herbert also going to New York by purchase.

Sarnia Hockey Club will lose one of its liveliest players this season. "Dickey" Lesueur is taking a military course at London, and will altogether likely go to the front with the next contingent.

Toronto Telegram: Otero, sold by Harry Giddings to Dr. Hanley of Kingston, won the Canadian bred race, just lasting long enough to win from Puritan Lass. Otero was the medium of a good sized killing by Toronto talent who were on strong, both here and at the track.

If Ottawa St. Patricks do have a team this year it is likely that Nick Bawlf will be engaged to coach them. Bawlf was a member of the Ottawa College team which won the Intercollegiate championship in 1907.

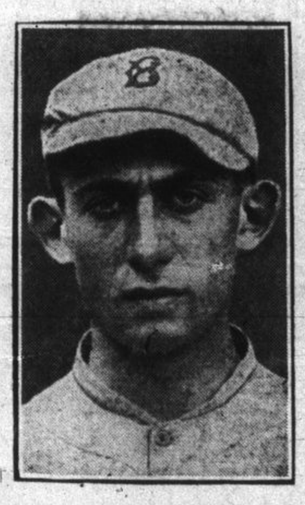
Cobb still is the leading batsman in the American league, with an average of .377; Speaker, of Boston, being the runner-up, with .320, and Jackson, Chicago, next, with .319.

Connie Smythe, one of the members of last season's Varsity junior hockey team, winners of the O.H.A., junior honors, had joined the Hamilton Sportsman's battery and he will have the rank of lieutenant.

"Tom" Flanagan has secured a permit from the police authorities to stage his professional boxing stars—Freddie Welsh, Ahearn, Coffey and others—in Toronto on a date to be fixed. The bouts are for the Sportsmen's Patriotic Fund, the fighters coming for bare expenses.

There is a possibility of an international senior hockey series next winter. One of the Canadian hockey magnates is in possession of a proposition from Pittsburg to arrange for a twenty-one week international schedule, to commence in November. Pittsburg will have a new indoor ice rink this winter with a surface of 30,000 square feet and the owners want professional hockey of the very best class.

The ten leading batters in the International League are:—Gilhooley, Buffalo, .337; Shorten, Providence, .323; Rath, Toronto, .322; Judge, Buffalo, .317; Channell, Buffalo, .316; Shean, Providence, .311; Kraft Harrisburg, .309; Witter, Harrisburg, .308; J. Smith, Montreal, .307; Jamieson, Buffalo, .306.



ARTHUR NEHF.
The new and youthful southpaw of the Boston National Baseball Team.

One of the latest of Toronto sportsmen to take up military aviation is "Eddie" Longfellow, the crack centre player of the Rosedale Lacrosse Club, whose team is playing National of Montreal for the professional honors. Longfellow formerly lived in Vancouver, but came East to play lacrosse.

Next year will see the Hamilton Jockey club's grounds converted into a suitable athletic grounds, and it will be abailable for almost every line of sport. Baseball diamonds will probably be cut out, and the spacious grounds made a Mecca for sport lovers.

Eddie O'Leary, one of Ottawa's noted athletics, will be absent from the city during the football and hockey seasons this year. O'Leary, who first played these two games with Ottawa College under Father Stanton, is leaving on Sept. 25th for Toronto, where he will take a dental course in Toronto Varsity. O'Leary played on the defence of the Aberdeen Hockey Club and is a clever man.

A letter has been received from Sergt. "Charlie" Gage, of the Divisional Ammunition Park, formerly captain of the Varsity rugby football team, and champion boxer, by Toronto friends, that he was on leave of absence in Ireland, when he was suddenly recalled and found orders waiting for the removal of the whole second contingent to France.

The International Baseball League ended its season Saturday, with the pennant going to Buffalo, after one of the closest finishes in years. The championship was not definitely decided until Saturday, when Buffalo won by taking one game of a doubleheader, while the Providence team, last year's champions, lost two games to Toronto. The two teams at the finish were separated by just two games.

HIGH LIFE LED TO DOWNFALL

Canadian Arrested In Watertown, N. Y., For Larceny.

Watertown, N.Y., Sept. 21.— A week of high life in this city and evidently more of it before reaching here, has caused one "Jack" Gervin, of Gouverneur, to make his debut into the criminal courts here. Gervin is locked up at the City hall on the charge of petit larcency, being arrested in a lower Court street saloon upon a warrant sworn out by Frank A. Empsall. The alleged theft amounts to $57, which Mr. Empsall charges he procured from him on worthless checks.

Gervin is a resident of Gouverneur and up until recently he had been identified with H. C. VanAllen of that place as a business partner in the clothing firm of Gervin & VanAllen. According to all accounts Gervin drank heavily and partnership was dissolved. Gervin left Gouverneur for Chicago, while his wife and young daughter left for Brockville, Canada, to reside until Gervin secured employment.

Gervin became quite well known about town as a "secret service" man for the Canadian Government. Gervin told nearly everyone he met that this was his mission. He displayed cards bearing names of Chicago cafes and said he generaly hung around the places in the questionable districts of cities in order to gain information. He says he can speak Dutch and can also understand German.

His mission to Chicago, he says, was to purchase supplies to be sent to Barriefield concentration camp, near Kingston, Ont. He also claims to have stopped at Cleveland on his way back, where he purchased 12 automobile trucks to be sent there. Whenever talking about this to a stranger he would always say he was just about to start for Kingston to report.

Gervin is said to come from a prominent family in Ottawa. His father is in the real estate business and a brother is a clergyman in that city.

It is anticipated that a settlement will be made and a suspended sentence given Gervin, who will leave for Kingston, Ont.

HUN GOLD IN RUSSIA.

Believed To Be Responsible For Many Strikes.

Petrograd, Sept. 21.—We have good reason for believing that strikes that have broken out here and there have been procured by the free use of German gold. The strikers at once mill here were openly saying, "Why should we not strike work? The Germans give us plenty of money without working for it."

In other places, while some admitted that they had received Germany money, and said they did not need work while it lasted, others talked patriotically about refusing to put a finger to their tools until all German managers and overseers had been dismissed by the Government, which they say, was betraying the country by favoring the enemy.

NEW PULP MILL RUNNING.

Double Shift Will Be Put On to Catch Up.

Latchford, Ont., Sept. 21.—The new plant of the Canadian Pulp and Lumber Company, which was built on the site of the one destroyed by fire several months ago, was started yesterday. The machinery was found in good shape. It is the intention of the management to work night and day in order to catch up on the large stock of pulpwood now on hand.

Close to eight million pounds of binder twine have been sold to the Western Canada farmers by the Grain Growers' Grain Company.

WILL ANNOUNCE

The Personnel of New Commission Soon.

REPORT TO BE MADE

ON PRODUCTION, TRANSPORTATION AND EMPLOYMENT

The Death Of Sir William Van Horne Necessitates New Commission — Canada's Borrowing Capacity Also To Be Considered.

Ottawa, Sept. 21.—The personnel of the new commission, decided upon by the Government for the purpose of investigating and reporting upon conditions of production, transportation and employment in Canada, will be announced shortly. This is the commission of which the late Sir William Van Horne was to have been chairman. His death will necessitate the selection of a new commissioner conversant with transportation and kindred subjects, as the railway facilities of the Dominion provide one of the most important aspects of the problem which is to be solved, particularly the question of a proper system of branch lines to support the great east and west trunk lines already constructed.

It is understood that the commission will be a fairly large one and that it may work in groups so as to adequately and at the same time expeditiously cover the large field of investigation which has been mapped out by the Government.

The order-in-council, under which the commission will work, provides for an investigation of matters relating to scientific production, increased acreage and improved methods, the existing facilities for marketing both at home and abroad, the desirability of providing proper highways and cold storage facilities and the importance of co-operative action by producers. The question of unemployment and immigration, particularly with regard to the expected influx when the war is over, is to be reported upon and a method devised for so handling this immigration so as to promote the cultivation of the great areas of idle land in the Dominion. Questions affecting Canada's position as a borrowing country are also embraced in the order-in-council.

TO BUY MORE FROM CANADA.

British War Office Sending Out Another Purchaser.

Ottawa, Sept. 21.—A statement was made at the Agricultural Department yesterday to the effect that nothing was known of the reported intention of the British War Office to increase its purchases of hay and oats in Canada this fall and send an expert buyer to Canada in connection therewith.

While it is admitted that a representative of the War Office will come to Canada in regard to supplies for the British Expeditionary Force, it is stated that his visit concerns another commodity and not hay or oats. The Agriculture Department has been acting for the War Office in this matter since October 1st, last, has been asked to continue doing so and no other arrangement is to be made.

Near a Decision.

New York, Sept. 20.—The pennant races in both the major leagues are near a decision. In fact, it looks as if the pennant in the National League was already fairly well within Philadelphia's grasp, while with the important American League series in Boston nearly over, it seems probable that the Red Sox will see the fruition of their hopes.

The citizens of Detroit will vote on the purchase of the Detroit United City Line, covering about 220 miles of track, on November 2nd.

Strange as it may seem, venture and caution do the best work together.

You may not be able to leave your family money, but you can good example.

FOUGHT TRAIN ROBBERS

New York Central Detectives Killed One In Battle.

Rochester, N.Y., Sept. 21.—Eight New York Central detectives engaged in a battle with train robbers near Fairport at one o'clock Saturday morning, Joseph Radajczak, 27, of Buffalo, was shot through the abdomen and is in a dying condition at a hospital here. The attempt was made on a through train from Albany to Buffalo, and consisted of 85 cars loaded with merchandise. A mile east of Fairport a torpedo was discharged. The train was stopped. Inasmuch as an effort was made to hold up the same train two weeks ago, eight detectives manned it when it left Albany Saturday night. The officers started to inspect the train, and in the centre Raymond Rogan, of Syracuse, found a door broken open. As he stepped in front of it three stalwart Poles leaped out upon him. He was borne to the ground, while Radajczak fired a revolver three times at his head. The third bullet made a flesh wound in his side. Rogan managed to get his gun and fire point blank. The bullet struck Radajczak. The others ran. Fellow officers pursued, firing as they ran, and overtook Walter Dyczwinski, a Buffalo car burglar with a record. The others got away. Six care were found with broken seals.

Daylight showed that the Lakeshore freight train, bound from New York to Chicago, had been boarded by robbers near Fairport. Boxes of merchandise had been thrown from the cars and scattered beside the Central tracks for more than a mile.

FRANCE'S CALL FOR GOLD.

Much Rivalry In Rural Districts To Bring In the Metal.

Paris, Sept. 21.—Through the stirring of the local and professional pride in every part of the country to turn in the largest sums, the voluntary exchange of gold for paper at the Bank of France and its branches, which has dropped to 50,000,000 francs ($10,000,000) weekly, has again risen to 60,000,000 francs. The railway men have thus far done the most toward swelling the total, and there is also considerable rivalry among parish priests and mayors of cities, who are issuing calls to the public, urging them to give up their gold for their country's sake. As an example, Mayor Ballamy of Nantes posted the following on the bill boards of the city to-day:

"Our branch of the Bank of France has taken in fifteen millions in gold, but this is not enough. To keep your gold is to betray the heroes who are giving their blood. Keep your gold and you delay victory. To bring in your gold is to be a good Frenchman. For France, for the honor of Nantes, deposit your gold."

Farmers who came to a Fair at a village in Touraine on Wednesday brought to a representative of the bank 46,000 francs in two hours.

SMALLEST IN THE WORLD.

And Yet They Have Staffs and Are Circularized.

It is announced that H. W. Cooper has been appointed manager of the Thousand Islands and Oshawa Railway Company, and that J. H. Valleau has been appointed Secretary-Treasurer of the Thousand Islands Railway, vice Mr. Cooper, assigned to other duties.

These two railways says the Montreal Gazette, are perhaps the smallest in the world. If that antique bit of a line at the Lake of Bays, where they carry the water to the engine in pails, be excepted; but, at the same time, they are full of life and activity. The Thousand Islands road which has a trackage of six miles, runs from the Grand Trunk main line at Gananoque Junction to Gananoque Bay, while the Oshawa road runs between Oshawa, and Oshawa Junction, about one mile. Both are in the centre of great traffic; both derive large business from the manufacturing of the places mentioned, through the connections which the roads make with the Grand Trunk on its main line; but in these days of big mileage it has a queer sound to mention a railroad with a mile of trackage, and which nevertheless, has its proper staff, who are circularized, in respect of appointment, precisely as are the Grand Trunk and C.P.R.

Generous War Gift.

London, Sept. 21.—New Zealand Government announces that a wealthy woman resident has offered one of the most valuable mining properties in the country, estimated by experts to be worth $75,000,000, as a free gift to the Government, the proceeds to be used in caring for disabled soldiers.

THE TURK FORCE IS TO BE CUT FROM BASE

Chaplain, Home From the Dardanelles, Says Big Developments Within Next Six Weeks Sure---Achi Baba Fortress Is the Big Problem.

Montreal, Sept. 20.—After witnessing four months of fighting in the Dardanelles, from April 25th to August 15th, when 300,000 British soldiers had been landed within easy gun range of Achi Baba, Capt. Rev. W. A. Brown, returned on the Pretorian to-day for a well-earned rest.

"The Dardanelles must and will be forced," was the summing up of his impression. "The Allies will never retire, although they now realize that Achi Baba may not be taken by assault. It is now heavily engaged along its front. Kitchener's army, 300,000 strong, are there, but on too narrow a front to make such weight felt. Meantime small French and Australian forces are working their way around and will soon cut Achi Baba off from its base."

Speaking of the British losses, Chaplain Brown said: "Our losses some days were incredible, but I can tell you on the best authority that 10 Turks have fallen for every one of the Allies. The Turks are brave fellows in defending trenches, but are completely lost in the open. At such times their losses have been terrible. They are fair fighters. They treated our wounded well and never 'gassed' us. The reason the Turks continue to fight in spite of wholesale casualties is because they fear the Germans. Every time the Turks charge from a trench there are machine guns behind to blaze into the trench if it is not immediately evacuated. Turkish gunners are now chained to their guns. I have these facts directly from Turkish officers we have captured. The German officers refuse to speak.

Great Difficulties.

"The difficulties the Allies are fighting under are tremendous. All the water must be brought from the ships in tanks; gullies and ravines have to be bridged to allow the guns and men to cross. There is a regular plague of flies and there are no regular hospitals; just clearing points for the wounded.

"But once Achi Baba is taken the Dardanelles are forced. As to pending developments, it is significant that within six weeks there will be weather conditions which will compel the Allies to advance or leave the peninsula. They will never leave. Just after the fleet had left the Aegean, the German and Turk aviators pamphletted our lines with the information that the torrential rains were soon due, making trench life on the peninsula impossible. They also told us that the fleet had deserted us.

"There are now two monitors with the Allies, and although they draw only three feet of water, they have 17-inch guns aboard, which they fire at Achi Baba. The Turks cannot reply, as the monitors and under the cliffs, close inshore, and out of sight.

Capture New Sub.

Three German submarines were in operation when I left. There was a brand new one, but we captured it. Their presence rendered the stay of the warships impossible. The Triumph was an instance of this. The warship was surrounded by about 30 smaller craft and completely shielded by netting. One day the captain wished to go ashore in the launch, and to permit of this the nets had to be lifted. They were not up two minutes, when a torpedo crashed into the Triumph.

"I also saw the Royal Edward torpedoed. She was on her way from Alexandria, while we were going back on the Soudan. We had hardly passed her when she was hit. Our ship took up 150 of the survivors. The Canadian liner went down headfirst very soon after she was hit. There were plenty of other vessels near at hand when she sank.

"Although the difficulties met with have been huge, the soldiers, British and French, are cheerfully determined to see it through, and they know well that in hand-to-hand fighting they are superior to the Turks.

"The Australians and New Zealanders are greatly liked, along with their inseperable brothers, the Ghurkas, who love them.

"To the Ghurkas the Australians, who are all huge fellows, look like giants. To strangers the troops must look like wild men. They dispense with most of their clothing in the blazing sun. Trousers are cut off short, socks are thrown away, only undershirts are worn, and in many cases boots are missing. They know big developments are due, and the rank and file are only too eager to be in at the final spurt."

Capt. Brown is going to Regina on leave and hopes to return to the 29th division in two months. Alexandria he says, is swarming with troops of three nationalities. There is no letup in the work of pushing the attack on the key position. The effort of some weeks ago almost succeeded in cutting off the Turkish army, but failed through lack of transport facilities.

ADVOCATE REPRISALS

Prominent Men Discuss How To Tackle Zeps.

London, Sept. 21.—"How should we tackle the Zeppelins?" is a question replied to by several prominent men in the Weekly Despatch. The general note of their suggestions is favorable to reprisals, both now and after the war. Coulson Kernahan, the Irish novelist, would have ten German non-combatants executed after the war for every life lost in a Zeppelin raid. Samuel Samuel, M.P., says he believes in reciprocity. Donald Masmaster, M.P., K.C., advocates a strong defensive air fleet.

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"This lasted until I was persuaded by a friend to give up coffee entirely and use Postum. The result was, in less than a week I began to feel a change for the better; gradually my nerves grew stronger and I began to sleep nights.

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