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## The Hun Offensive Has Been Paralyzed.

## RUSSIA'S COME-BACK

### HAS MADE THINGS BLACK FOR THE ENEMY.

The Slavs Are Having Marked Success Everywhere—The Germans Fail to Reach a Secure Line in East.  
Petrograd, Oct. 14.—The situation on the Russian front is growing better every day. The German offensive is paralyzed and the Russians are gradually recovering the initiative. As a result of their five months' campaign, the Germans not only have not succeeded in forcing the Russian army to its knees, but have failed even to reach a secure line, entrenching themselves on which for the winter they could concentrate their main attention on other fronts.  
It so happens that another front claims their most earnest attention at the moment when the German front in Russia is most awkwardly placed between two strong lines and when the Russian army has to a large extent regained its striking power. The Germans hoped to shake off the terrible and costly burden of the Russian campaign before the winter. It may be assumed that they counted on establishing themselves firmly on the strong line of the Dvina-Beresina-Dnieper, but their calculations have been falsified at the exact psychological moment when the Allies struck hard in the west and the growing exhaustion in Turkey necessitated a supreme effort on the part of Germany in the Balkans.

Many-Sided Defensive.  
The clear and prolonged offensive of the central European powers is being turned into a complex and many-sided defensive. To free themselves in Russia the Germans must push forward their centre beyond the swamp region and secure their flanks. To secure flanks they must seize Dvinsk and the Dvina and push on to the Upper Dnieper, but they have attempted both tasks in vain.  
At Dvinsk the enemy has been held at bay 27 days. He has lost heavily in repeated frontal attacks. At certain points he had advanced within five or six miles of the town, but during the last few days he has been forced back to the former ten mile distance, and his attacks continually melt away under Russian fire.  
Despairing of effecting anything by further frontal attacks, General von Buelow is now trying to force a way through to the north of Dvinsk. The Germans did succeed in capturing the important position of Gorbunovka, near the river bank, but were immediately thrown out again.  
Iliusk, northwest of Dvinsk, where there is a stretch of open country between dense forest, the Russians have driven the Germans out of their trenches, and out of Dvinsk a stiff battle is proceeding around Novo Alexandrovsk.

Add to this the fact that on the line of the lakes running parallel with the Vinn-Dvinsk railway, the Russians, are slowly but surely, advancing, and it will be seen that the enemy's hope of forcing the Dvina is certainly no brighter than it was a month ago. A sign of improvement in the situation is the return to Dvinsk of the town council from Vitebsk, whither it temporarily retired.

Marked Russian Success.  
On the southern flank in Galicia Russian success is even more marked. West of Trembowla, the Austrians had established themselves near the village of Galvoronka, in a strong fortified position, which was to serve as a base for an advance on the southern front. Russian successes at Kolki and Czartorisk on the Stry alarmed the enemy, and he tried to overthrow the Russians by a sudden advance from Buczacz. The Russians took up excellent positions on the Stry, Olyka, Ikwa, Ah, Sereth, and by continually harassing the enemy prevented him from settling down in entrenched lines. The advance from Buczacz was frustrated and the Russians in turn flung forward from Trembowla on to Galvoronka. A strong Austrian redoubt was taken, the Russians forced their way across the Strya on burning bridges, and cavalry, breaking through the enemy's lines, rounded up two thousand prisoners and captured four guns and two machine-guns.  
This striking success, which is still being followed up, not only gives the Russians a considerable strategic advance on the southern front, but undermines any possible moral effect on the Roumanian front large concentration of Austrian and German troops in Galicia and Bukovina, near the Roumanian frontier.

Return of the Sturgeon.  
Rochester Democrat-Chronicle.  
The reported capture of another large sturgeon, at Sodus Bay, gives further reason to hope that this once derided but extremely valuable food fish has returned to its former haunts in the bays and rivers of Lake Ontario. Not many years ago sturgeons were plentiful in the lower Genesee River, and they found their way to the pool at the foot of the lower falls, where they could be readily seen from the high bank above, much as submarines are now detected by observers in aeroplanes. They were, it is claimed, ultimately driven from the river by sewage turned into it from the city and by any have been caught on the south shore of the lake in recent years. In former years only the roe of the sturgeon was esteemed as food, while now the fish, when transformed into steaks, is highly regarded.

## WAR BULLETINS.

It is believed a call for 50,000 more troops in Canada will be made shortly.  
It is understood at Petrograd that Russia has requested the right of way through Roumania for Russian troops.  
One German cruiser is reported sunk and another damaged in the Gulf of Finland.  
Kaiser Wilhelm is said to be trying to secure the support of Spain and Sweden.  
An Amsterdam despatch says: German General Von Eichorn is suspended in disgrace.  
British reports say substantial gains have been made and retained around Loos by British forces.

## THE SPORT REVIEW

The Ontario Government has given permission to the Toronto Sportsmen's Patriotic Association to exhibit the famous Johnson-Willard fight pictures, the entire proceeds to go to the Patriotic Fund.  
At some future date a monster benefit game will take place in Toronto, the proceeds of which will be given to the assistance of "Glad" Murphy. The Argonauts' surplus at the end of the season will also go in its entirety to Murphy.  
On account of the inability of Captain "Mac" Murray of the Argonauts to continue in football owing to his duties at the aviation school, Frank Foster was elected as captain to succeed Murray.  
The Phillies were not the best club that ever won a National League flag. Nor were the Red Sox the best ever finished out in front of an American fan. But the Red Sox were at least several points better than the Phillies.

For the second year in succession the Cleveland American League club failed to claim a player through draft President Somers will depend before on material claimed from the various minor league interests.  
Pop Paisley, who is coaching Montreal A.A.A., has been successful in getting out "Joe" Donnelly, the great McGill plunger, who was suspended a couple of years back on grounds of playing professional baseball, but later reinstated.  
Christy Mathewson and Hans Lohr, along with other less notable, did not finish the final Western trip with the Giants. Matty and Hans, being of no particular use, were sent back, along with Thorpe, to New York, while Rube Schauer, being of still less use, was permitted to go to his home in North Dakota.

Silver Quilty states that although he had previously decided to return to McGill, he has again changed his mind and will continue the season with Ottawa. Had Quilty decided to go to Montreal, he would have a change of residence as he is the pivot to the team play and his playing with the Wings, Wheelers, would have made it necessary for Coach Shaughnessy to change all of his signals.

Several of the Ottawa rugby players are in bad shape as a result of their Big Four game against Montreal, and their exhibition clash with the Hamilton Rowing Club. Art Stalker is laid up with a sprained ankle, and George Boucher is battered about the face and head to such an extent that he was unable to work yesterday. Eddie Emerson was accidentally kicked in the ribs Monday. The ligaments in his right side are torn, and it is doubtful if he will be able to play for a couple of weeks. Silver Quilty's right knee is in bandages. Coach Shaughnessy, however, hopes to have all the cripples ready when the Ottawas oppose Montreal.  
Hamilton Times:—One Toronto paper accuses Manson of being responsible for the injury to "Glad" Murphy, but this is an outrage, for the local boy had nothing to do with the accident. Manson, it must be admitted, was carrying the ball, and Murphy, who was running across the field after him, took a flying dive, but missed and fell on his shoulders. Had he touched Manson or Manson touched him, it would have been more than likely that the accident would never have occurred.

A Unique Donation.  
Montreal, Oct. 15.—The Melba concert in aid of the Red Cross Society Wednesday night was undoubtedly a great success, and it transpires that a donation of \$500 found its way to the society in a rather unique way. The concert was under the presidency of Lady Shaughnessy, wife of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R., organized a party of young ladies who were busy disposing of small Union Jacks and Red Cross emblems for the benefit of the society. One of these little flags was bought by J. E. Aldred, well known in financial circles. Later in the evening Mr. Aldred returned it to Lady Shaughnessy with these words written in one corner of the flag: "On demand I promise to pay to the Red Cross Society \$500.00." Signed, "J. E. Aldred." Through the press the Red Cross Society wish to thank Mr. Aldred for his generous gift.

## GERMAN BEING TAUGHT

### TO PUPILS IN THE COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

No Falling Off In Number Taking It—Dental Clinic Proposed—Hard To Get Men For Night Industrial Classes.  
"Is German still being taught in the Collegiate Institute?" asked Trustee Macnee, of Principal E. O. Sliiter, at the meeting of the Board of Education, on Thursday night.  
"Yes, it is still being taught," was Principal Sliiter's reply. "The regulations provide for the teaching of it. Any citizen can demand that his child be taught German."  
"Have you found any pupils taking German at the present time objecting to it?"  
Mr. Sliiter said that he had heard no objections, and that there had been no falling off in the number starting in the study of German.  
Trustee Farrell asked for information regarding the time for the closing of the schools in the afternoon. He was informed by Inspector Stuart that the regular time for closing was 4 o'clock, but that the teachers had authority to dismiss children bearing good conduct at 3.30.  
Trustee Farrell asked that information be prepared by the Inspector as to the number of pupils relieved of their studies at the earlier hour, and for a full report on the matter. His motion was seconded by Trustee Elliott, and carried.

Children's Teeth.  
Trustee Meek is determined that there shall be a thorough inspection of the children's teeth. He believes that it is a matter that should be attended to, even if it is necessary for the Board to go into the dental business itself. The chairman of the management committee reported that the work was suffering as a result of so many of the dentists being occupied with work among the overseas volunteers. In view of this Trustee Meek moved, seconded by Trustee McLean, that the management committee be requested to report on the advisability of a dental clinic without delay.

"If the dentists are too busy looking after the soldiers, we should have a dentist of our own," declared Trustee Meek. "The matter should not be allowed to drop. It is most important that the teeth of the children be treated."  
Trustee Meek then quoted figures to show how many volunteers had been turned down, as a result of having bad teeth.  
Some time ago, Trustee Meek found that no dentist had made an inspection in eight months, at Frontenac school, and worked to have the children attended to. He believes that nothing should stand in the way of this all-important work. His motion was passed.  
Trustee Henderson reported that steps were under way to have the school nurse qualified so as she could assist in the inspection of the children's teeth.

Men's Industrial Classes.  
Trustee Farrell is of the opinion that every effort possible should be made to get the men out of the night industrial classes. Owing to the fact that it was found impossible to secure men to attend, the Industrial Committee recommended that the classes be abolished. Trustee Farrell believes that this would be a most serious mistake.  
Trustee Kentop, as chairman of the Industrial Committee, stated that he had called a meeting twice of his committee to discuss the matter, but that on both occasions he had no quorum. However the members of his committee were still of the opinion that it would not be wise to open the classes for the men. He stated that in regard to men attending from the locomotive works, the committee had been informed that the men were all busy, and that not one man from the works would be able to attend.

Trustee Meek said that it had been found impossible to get the men out of the classes, and the fact was most lamentable in a place like Kingston.  
"It appears that the men would rather loiter around the street or go to the 'movies,'" he said.  
It appears that the classes for women have been fairly well attended. The men have been backward in coming forward.  
Trustee Macnee also spoke on the question, stating that every effort possible had been put forth to get the classes in operation, but with no success.

On motion of Trustee Farrell it was decided to advertise the classes for men in the newspapers. He is one of the many who believes that it pays to advertise. An extra effort will be made to get the men to take advantage of the classes.  
The management committee will deal with the appeal from Lord Lansdowne, for help for the British Red Cross Society. It is proposed to have the school children share in the work.  
Trustee Meek moved to have the management committee consider the advisability of collecting and preserving an exhibit of art work among the pupils in the schools, stating that it would be a good feature.

Trustee Anglin said he heartily approved of the idea, stating that the art exhibit at Toronto Fair, was well worth all the trouble it entailed.  
Trustee Macnee said that he had occasion to be present at an exhibit of art, at Macdonald school, and he was surprised at the wonderful work. The members of the Board approved of Trustee Meek's motion in regard to the matter, and his motion was adopted.  
Trustee Elliott made the suggestion that six of the best exhibits be taken and hung in the Board of Education rooms.  
Children's Patriotic League.  
Trustee Farrell reported as chairman of the Committee appointed at (Continued on page 12.)

## Probs.: Fair and cool on Saturday.

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