

SLAV ADVANCE IS COMING

Germans Realize That it is At Hand.

MAKE BIG EFFORTS

TO CAPTURE RIGA AND DVINSK BEFORE WINTER

The Germans hurl 100,000 shells a day at the Russians to secure those coveted positions.

Petrograd, Oct. 29.—Uxkuil and Iloukst are the points at which the Germans are making the biggest effort to force the Dvina. Uxkuil is on the right bank of their Riga positions, and Iloukst is on the left bank of their Dvina positions. Simultaneous attacks at these two points are probably being made with the definite object of separating the Russian Riga and Dvinsk armies.

The seriousness of this effort is not to be minimized. The Germans know perfectly well a new Russian advance is only a matter of time. To meet that advance on a strong front it is necessary for them to be in possession of the Dvina line before the winter sets in, otherwise their position will be perpetually insecure. Moreover, established beyond the Dvina they can hold their front with a much smaller force and devote closer attention to the western and Serbian front, where the need of men grows more pressing every day.

During the last fortnight the Germans have considerably strengthened their forces on the Dvina, perhaps to a certain extent at the expense of their centre and partly, according to one rumor, at the expense of the Serbian front. The main body of reinforcements seem, however, to consist of Landsturm troops, mobilized for home service at the beginning of the war and latterly trained for first line work.

The number of troops operating directly against Dvinsk is not extraordinary large, about 80,000 men on a 28-mile front, but they are supported by a most astonishing quantity of artillery, which at 2 1/2 maximum intensity, pours out shells at the rate of 190,000 a day. This reckless expenditure has led to interruptions in the supply, as the light railway from Vilkomir has proved unequal to the task of transport and the services of peasants have been commandeered.

In point of courage and energy the battles near Uxkuil and Iloukst do honor to both sides. Dashing attacks are followed by splendid counter-attacks, and the magnificent fighting qualities displayed here shine out even in the long record of the courage of the patient millions which the war has already established in history.

German soldiers are assured by their commanders that once Riga and Dvinsk are taken there will be no more fighting during the winter, so they are gathering up for one desperate effort every scrap of courage and endurance left in their sorely-tried spirits.

HOW WAR HAS EFFECTED

Street and Electric Railway Unions in Canada.

Apropos of the statistics of the present war, the following statement made by President W. D. Mahon in his annual report delivered at the fourteenth convention of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America, held recently in Rochester, N.Y., will be of interest:

I doubt if you know or realize the actual effect that this war has had upon our organization in Canada. We speak of the war as an European war, but when you hear the facts as to its effect on your own membership, you will realize that the war has reached to this North American continent and robbed your association of some of its most loyal and sturdy members.

The reports gathered from our Canadian divisions show that 473 of our membership have enlisted and gone to war from the divisions, as follows: No. 99, Winnipeg, Man. 110 No. 101, Vancouver, B.C. 31 No. 107, Hamilton, Ont. 24 No. 109, Victoria, B.C. 18 No. 113, Toronto, Ont. 190 No. 134, New Westminster, B.C. 18 No. 279, Ottawa, Ont. 8 No. 508, Halifax, N.S. 18 No. 569, Edmonton, Alta. 19 No. 588, Regina, Sask. 14 No. 615, Saskatoon, Sask. 8 No. 622, Peterboro, Ont. 1 No. 663, St. John, N.B. 14

Total 473

At the time of the tabulation of this report it was shown that there were thirty-two of the members dead, wounded or missing.

BACK TO THE OLD LAW.

Maritime Order-in-Council As To Treatment of Neutral Ships.

London, Oct. 28.—The Times, in an editorial, welcomes the new Order-in-Council relating to the treatment of neutral ships flying neutral flags. "We now revert to the old law as elaborated by a series of distinguished judges in this country and the United States," the Times says. "In this, as in so many other matters, the law takes the plain, common-sense view of the subject. In deciding the nationality of a merchant ship it takes into consideration the nationality of her owners, and where the court is satisfied that there exists an enemy interest in the ship it renders any such interest liable to condemnation."

"Where neutrals and enemies have interests in the same vessel the neutral interests are exempt, but the enemy interest may be condemned, and on such condemnation either the vessel is sold at the price of the enemy interests appropriated to the Crown, or the enemy interests are sold to the neutral co-owners. "It is astonishing that we ever suspected the operation of a system so just and expedient as the old law. It is still more astonishing that we did not acknowledge and fall back upon the established Anglo-American practice at an earlier period of the war."

FOUR SHELLS EXPLODED

Short Distance From King and Prince of Wales.

Paris, Oct. 28.—Four shells exploded only 200 yards from King George of England and President Poincaré of France during their visit to the front yesterday, according to a Temps correspondent back of the firing line.

The King and President, with the Prince of Wales and Gen. Joffre, says the despatch, had taken a point of observation when a German battery fired two heavy shells, resulting in the explosion of shells near the official party.

The party left shortly afterwards, felicitations being exchanged between the British ruler and the French executive and the high officers at the front.

CLICKED HEELS AND SALUTED.

Then Mrs. Henshaw of Vancouver Presented Minister of Militia.

Ottawa, Oct. 28.—In full uniform, with Sam Brown belt and slouch hat, Mrs. Henshaw, Vancouver, prominent lecturer, clicked her heels before General Hughes, saluted and presented a proposal for the raising of \$20,000 for Christmas gifts to the soldiers at the front.

Mrs. Henshaw represents the daughters of the Empire, and proposes to raise the money by a series of lectures. She claims to have already raised \$1,600 in a few days. Mrs. Henshaw was encouraged to proceed with her plan, and was assured that every assistance possible would be given her in the work.

Power of Islam Forever Gone.

Pittsburg, Oct. 29.—Rev. Charles R. Watson, of Philadelphia, speaking on "The Present World Situation" before the Laymen's Missionary convention, declared that the whole Moslem political strength is breaking up. "Piece by piece the Mohammedan power is rapidly disintegrating," he said. "Fear not the outcome of the situation in the Dardanelles. It seems to me that the power of Islam is forever gone. And this is the missionary opportunity."

Mayorality Candidates Heard.

Watertown, N.Y., Oct. 29.—The different candidates for mayor of the city spoke at a meeting held at the North Side Improvement League Hall. Robert E. Cahill, president of the league, presided. Those who spoke were Mayor I. R. Breen, Republican; Attorney Joseph Nellis, Democrat; Andrew Bolger, Socialist; and Rev. Cauley H. Perrin, Prohibitionist.

Famous Yacht Designer Dead.

London, Oct. 29.—Michael Ratsey, the veteran yacht designer, who created the first British challengers for the America's Cup, and likewise the schooner Camba, which defeated the James Gordon Bennett's Danitless in the famous race from Queenstown to New York, died in retirement yesterday at Kings-upon-Thames.

THE SPORT REVIEW

It is now practically certain there will be no hockey at the Ottawa University this year.

Vancouver Province: The Vancouver Millionaires, champions of the hockey world, will "ice" practically the same seven which captured the honors for the Terminal City last season.

Chicago is going in strong for hockey this winter. Fostered by the Illinois Athletic Club, several strong teams are to be organized to meet the best from any eastern or middle western city.

Shaughnessy says that if he had Silver Quilty and Donnelly, of the



JOHNNY DUNDEE, The New York boxer, who beat Willie Ritchie, the American champion, on Tuesday last. Dundee gave Ritchie eight pounds and a beating.

Montrealers, he could win a championship without other assistance. Donnelly he looks of as a wonderful wing, who can rip holes in any line at any time.

Toronto Mail-Empire: Had the Inter-Collegiate games not been called off this year, Varsity would have had a grand chance to win the honors from McGill at least. Nothing has been learned of the Queen's games, but McGill at their annual sports shaped up very poor alongside of University of Toronto.

Jack "Rufus" Ryan, the former Ottawa star outside wing, has just about decided to join the aviation corps. The sorrel-topped athlete was one of the best outside wings that ever played in the Big Four.

Toronto Telegram: Spurred on by the success of the soldiers' clubhouse here in Toronto, the Sportsmen's Patriotic Association has decided to branch out and make an effort to establish clubs in London, Hamilton, Kingston, Ottawa, and any other big military centres where the soldiers will be encamped this winter. The Association started this morning working along these lines, with Tom Flanagan as the money-raiser.

The cancellation of the franchise of the Canadian Club in the N. H. A. and its sale to the highest bidder, was the suggestion made by Sam Lichtenheim, president of the Wanderers, as a method of stalling off the threatened war with the Pacific Coast League.

Lichtenheim was in favor of giving the Canadians another chance to pay the \$750 owing the Pacific Coast League for Lalonde. If this money is not paid he says he will move at the next N. H. A. meeting that the Canadian Club franchise be transferred to somebody else.

Dartmouth is the only college in the United States that has a one-armed player on its football team. Guy Nedley, whose right arm is cut off above the elbow, is playing guard on the freshmen 11, and coaches prophesy that he will be a varsity regular next season.

Some years ago McGill had a one-armed football player at the outside wing on the rugby team. His name was Martin, and he was one of the best players that ever wore the red and white, despite the fact that Martin's arm was cut off just below, but did not prevent him from being a star tackle.

Jess Willard, the world's heavy-weight champion, has only two managers now. "Tom" Jones, the active manager, and "Jack" Curley, as assistant. Willard sent on a lawyer who purchased for \$33,000 the interests that Harry Frazer and Lawrence Weber, the theatrical men, had in him. It is understood that quite a little friction developed between the cowboy and the theatrical men, with the result that Jess suggested that they sell out. They named \$33,000 as a price for letting him out, and Willard quickly paid over the money and they turned over their contracts.

The Hamilton Rowing Club team may make a trip to Columbus, Ohio, in the near future to play a rugby game with the university team in that city. Negotiations have been on for some time and the students are anxious to see the Canadian game played. If the game is arranged, it will be played half under American rules and half under Canadian. Some of the members of the Hamilton team made a trip to Harvard last year to demonstrate the open play so that they gained considerable knowledge of the American game and will not be entirely at sea when they have to play it.



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Destroyed By Bomb.

Rome, Oct. 29.—An examination of the famous Scala Church, in Venice, which suffered in the recent raid on the city by aircraft, shows that the first bomb fell in the left nave. It demolished two beams and pierced the ceiling, which was entirely destroyed by the second bomb. Not a foot of Tiepolo's magnificent fresco remains intact, and it is considered virtually impossible to restore even a small part of the masterpiece.

G. T. R. passengers must show their tickets to the conductor or brakeman of a train before entering it. This applies to all stations on the line.

Why Tolerate Catarrh?

You have noticed, no doubt, that any cold aggravates nasal catarrh, and the flow of mucous matters you that such objectionable matter could find lodgment in your head. To ignore this catarrh when the cold subsides is wrong because it continues to slowly injure the delicate linings of the nasal passages and clog them up.

To correct catarrh, cleanse the nostrils frequently with a solution of warm water and salt, insert yaseline on retiring, and take a spoonful of Scott's Emulsion after meals for one month. Scott's acts through the blood to feed the tissues, and contains soothing glycerine to check the inflammation and heal the sensitive membranes. Scott's is pleasant to take.

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