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Smash Up German Trenches, Communications and Assembly Areas — It Is Felt That the Germans Cannot Succeed in Any Future Offensive.

enemy further grim notice of our readiness to meet his offensive operations. All night long, too, our guns maintained a slow fire on enemy areas, punctuated with harrassing fire programmes at intervals.

While the enemy's artillery and infantry concentrations point to another attempt against Arras and Vimy Ridge, nothing more than patrol activity has characterized our front line save for one raid north of Acheville against an enemy post.

In visits to batteries, battalions, brigades and divisions, I have found high spirits everywhere. It is felt that Germany has lost the first play in her desperate gamble for victory, and while further bitter fighting is anticipated, there is no conviction anywhere that the enemy can succeed in the future where he has failed in the past

Menaced Defending Positions

PORTANT VICTORY.

The British Are Awaiting the Enemy's Next Move-Germans Not Quite Ready to Begin Struggle, who was firing at a bird. Anew in North.

(Canadian Press Despatch) April 3 .- The British last night tion Company of New York.

Arras by the British is the most important news from the northern bat- the mastery of the air, according to that the Government has decided not The Ayette sector has been one of the Their greatest aviator, Richthofen, fect the amendment to the Military most fiercely contested zones. The hold here.

Awatting Next Move.

The British armies were waiting committee without debate. struggle anew in the north.

In any event the infantry on both;

sides were resting on their arms, in most places, up to noon of Tuesday. | THE TEUTONS READY Even below the Somme, where there had been such bitter fighting, there was a lull, although from the ports that the enemy was continuing to pound the allied lines with all the strength that could be mustered. Nothwithstanding the inactivity

along the British line, no one doubted that the storm would break anew with great violence, and further activity is expected at any hour.

Canadian Casualties. Wounded - R. J. Brockburst Belleville; G. W. Hooker, Brockville; F. H. Barton, Spencerville; V. Saucier, Martintown; W. N. Lowie. Cobourg; H. E. McCready, Belle-

GERMAN DIVISIONS LOST'70 PER CENT.

London, April 3 .- Daily the Gorman losses in men killed or wounded continue to augment as details are obtained from Germans made prisoner. Some divisions lost as high as 70 per cent. of their effectives as they charged in mass formation against the British and French machine gunners and riflemen. Companies withdrew from the fighting with their combative strength reduced to 40 men.

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By W. A. Willison, Correspondent of the Canadian Press.

Canadian Army Headquarters in the Field, via London, April 3 .- Again this morning our guns, heavy and light, have smashed up enemy trenches, communications and assembly areas, our artillery co-operating with the infantry in lifteen minutes of barrage fire while our machine guns swept No Man's Land and opposing trenches. Our stoker and trench mortars added the weight of their fire to a programme, which gave the

THE WORLD'S NEWS IN BRIEF FORM Tidings From All Over Told in a Pithy and Pointed

The State of Indiana went "bone dry" at midnight. The Germans again began to bombard Paris at 9.50 o'clock Wednesday morning.

The Daylight Saving Bill was passed in committee in the House of Commons and stands for third reading. James and Stanley Wood, aged eleven and ten, were drowned while fishing in the Thames River near

Massachusetts is now supporting But Pu BY THE BRITISH A VERY IM- the Federal prohibition movement. The State Senate has ratified the

prohibitory amendment. Robert Heyworth, fourteen years of age, was shot and instantly killed ANVAL in Owen Sound by Jack Tizzard, A

The Reid Wrecking Co., with drydock and shipbuilding plant at Port With the British Army in France, Huron, will merge with the Founda-

Cable advices announce the death which menaced defending positions. John L. Sullivan to a draw during The recapture of Ayette, south of the eightiest for the world's cham-

> The Germans are again disputing has re-appeared, and is commanding a powerful squadron of airplanes.

to-day for the next move along the The Government has decided to any man who resists the law subject was jerked out of the ditch just as extended battle front. Possibly the levy a ten per cent, tax on certain enemy also was waiting for the goods manufactured in Canada to British to show their hand, but the make up for loss of revenue on acwere not quite ready to begin the the import of the same goods into arisen in Quebec. Legislation even stantly killed.

French sector to the south come re- But They Will Find the Frozen der-in-Council under the War Meas-Mitt In the United

> (Canadian Press Despatch) Washington, April 3.—Count Czernin's statement that the French had suggested peace by discussions with Austria-Hungary was characterized by officials here to-day as the beginning of a new German peace offensive with the Austro-Hungarian discussed at length. Foreign Minister acting at Germany's behest. The peace move they said would be timed to follow by the Government on the Quebec the breakdown of the Teutonic mili-situation as outlined by Sir Robert tary offensive. Any Tentonic sug- Borden and the Government was asgestions that the time for peace dis- sured of the solid backing of the Uncussions is near at hand will find ionist party in the strict and imparnothing but a negative response in tial enforcement of the Act. There America.

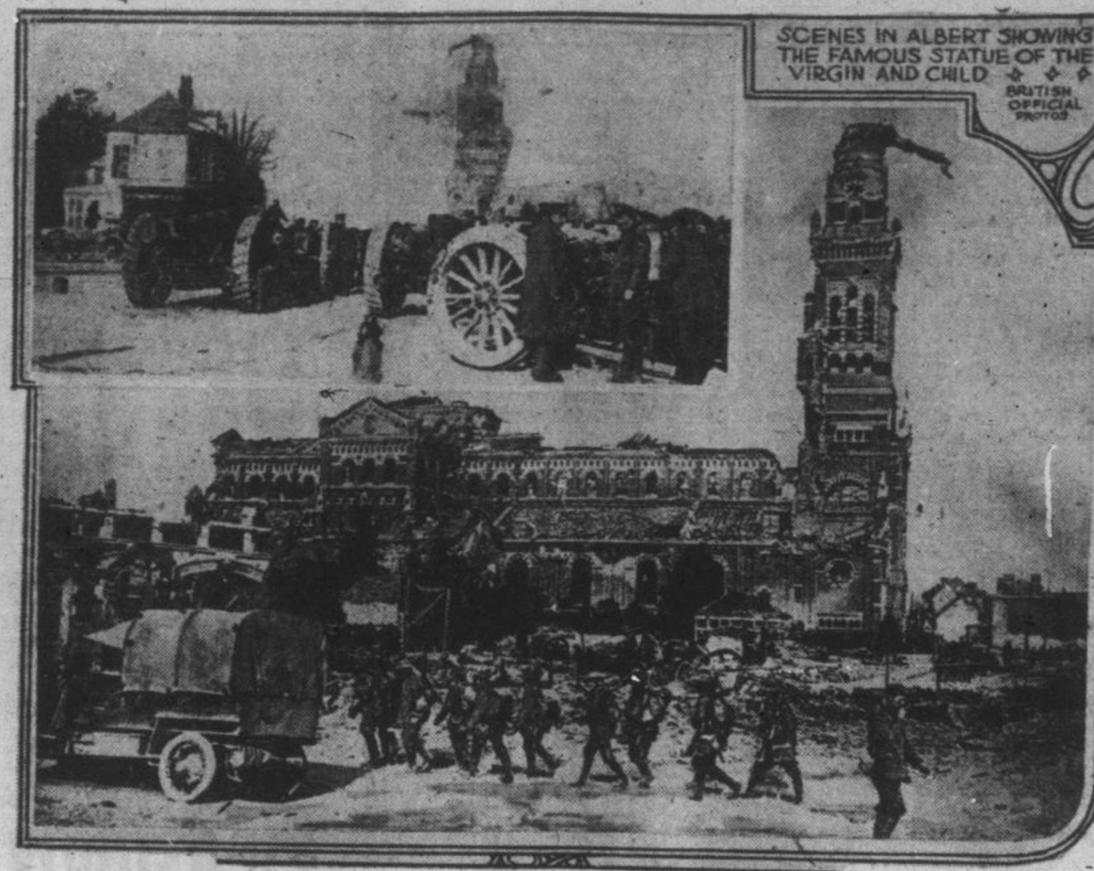
BREAD WASTERS IN JAIL.

Seamen in London Must Serve Six Months For Offence.

is a serious offensive in England these of a Brazilian ship were sentenced to stand of the British and French six months in prison for this crime, troops are followed here with per-Another, who was found guilty of feet confidence in victory for the having caused the waste, was fined Allies. There lately has been in-\$1,000, with the option of three creased activity in German propamonths in jail. A fourth member of ganda, all in the Spanish zone, but

alternative of three months. Austrian Escaped Again. an Austrian, who is also an escaped and vast quantities of her grain and 2-Held Up For Salute; Children's prisoner from penitentiary, was ar- foodstuffs helped supply France in rested in New Liskeard on Saturday the last three years. Her population night. The Chief of Police identified has never wavered in support of the the man by tattoo mark on his right Allies. hand. The prisoner was lodged in a temporary cell in the firehall and two men were placed on guard. During the absence of one of the guards Cress obtained a piece of wire, with which he managed to hook the key of Works and shipbuilding plant were the cell door from a nail on which it destroyed by fire early yesterday his escape. .

"WHEN THE STATUE FALLS THE WAR WILL END"



The scenes shown herewith are in the town of Aibert, now for the first time in the hands of the Huns. 'The famous Albert Cathedral is pictured. Early in the war that structure was badly damaged by German shells, a statue of the Virgin and Child on top of its steeple being hit and falling to the position it now occupies. Throughout the fighting which has centred for several years around this famous old town, and notwithstanding the many bombardments to which the cathedral has been subjected, the figure has remained in this position. It is common belief among the French people in the district that when the figure falls the war will come to an end.

Act Into Effect At-Once.

IS TO BE PUT INTO A MILITARY DRAFT.

Up the Government in the Strict Enforcement of the Act. (Canadian Press Despatch)

Service Act which was announced in

without any obstruction would take two weeks at least before it could BRILLIANT DASH OF pass the Commons and the Senate TO TALK PEACE AGAIN and secure the signature of the Govhave this amendment passed by or- They Swept Through the Forures Act, to be ratified later by legis-

lation if necessary. The Cabinet also considered last night a number of amendments to the Act which have been suggested by the Military Service Council. The amendments are designed to simplify the machinery of the Act and to speed up its operation. The amendments were submitted to the Government caucas this morning and were

There was considerable satisfaction expressed at the position taken were considerable criticism along various lines and a lengthy discussion of the proposed amendments,

MOROCCO UNWAVERING.

London, April 3 .- Wasting bread Has Utmost Confidence in Result of Western Battle.

Tangier, April 3 .- The great Ger- tire with large casualties, Recently two members of the crew man offensive and magnificent the crew was fined \$250, with the once more its effect has been of little; account. The natives share the calm of British and French residents. Morecco has borne her burden in the New Liskeard, April 3 .- Joe Cress, war. Her troops are at the front

Big Fire In Toronto. (Canadian Press Despatch.) Toronto, April 3 .- The Thor Iron was hanging close by, and made good evening. The loss is estimated at

SAVED FROM DEATH GRIPPING NAG'S TAIL

A Brakeman Had An- Unusual Deliverance From Wreck Near Chapleau.

Chapleau, April 3 .- At the coroner's inquest held here by Coroner Depew, of White River, into the It is Thought the Military Have the Situa cause of Thursday night's collision near Grassett Station between two freight trains, in which Lorne Berry, a young farmer, en route from Merrickville to Eston, Sask., TI was killed and Engineer Connaughton injured, a story was told of a miraculous escape from instant death of Brakesman Raiston, of Chapleau, who was riding on the engine of the stock train. Just as he stormed and captured a strong Capie advices announce the death saw the comision between the two in England of Charley Mitchell, for- The Unionist Party Will Solidly Back trains impending he jumped to the No Matter What Class They Are In an Unpleasant Supprise." ditch on the north side of the track. Before he could recover himself from his jump the impact occurred. and as the side door of the stock Ottawa, April 3 .- It is understood car was open at the time, the force of the collision shot one of the tle front reported thus far to-day. despatches from the French front to wait for legislation to put into ef- horses, out through the door with such terrific force that the animal side Ralston. The freight car was Germans have sacrificed great num- A resolution proposing a declara- the Commons by Sir Robert Borden just toppling over into the ditch on bers of troops in an effort to secure a tion of a state of war between the yesterday. A special meeting of the top of man and horse when the

garia was introduced in the Senate night when the situation was discus- With quick presence of mind, Raland referred to the Foreign Relations sed. The Government is anxious to ston, who had no time to run or put this amendment which will make jump, grabbed the horse's tall and Roman Catholic Church said: to immediate draft into the force their weight and debris on the spot without delay in order to assist in where but for the unusual deliver-

CANADIAN CAVALRY

est Like a Winter Snow-British Headquarters in Frances April 3 .- The outstanding feature of

the conflict on the northern end of the front is that the British again have killed a great number of the

sound, will end the war. Moreuil. There was not a hitch in their liberty on bail. snowstorm, and forced the enemy to the situation: fall back, not only here, but farther

tacked in force along the British the Department of Justice at Ottawa | dent on the result. All intelligent, line between Warfusee and Marcel- for instructions. Lawyers present educated Russians, not associated cave. This assault was preceded by asserted that if the prisoners were with the schemes of the Bolsheviki a vigorous artillery bombardment. not liberated on ball his afernoon, communism, are full of remorse for The cavalry again came into play, they would apply for writs of habeas the desertion which undoubtedly and by ten o'clock the Germans were corpus, compelled to admit defeat and to re-

ALLIES PREPARING TO HURL ARMY OF MANOEUVRE ON ENEMY

Paris, April 3 .- The present battle in many respects closely resembles that of the Marne. The front is not so extended as on the former occasion, but the proportion of men on the shorter line is much greater. and the combat for that reason all the more intense. The Allied reply, too, is likely to be the same, for victory was won at the Marne by a reserve army thrown in at the last moment, just as the Allies are now preparing to hurl their army of manoeuvre at the flanks of the Kaiser's forces.

ARE TO BE ARRESTED AND PU IN UNIFORM.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Suggested

(Canadian Press Despatch) quiet last night. There was no rioting and it is believed the military have the situation under control. of the western offensive, of the an-

The dead now number five civilians. nouncement that the first of sixty at present are losing far more than United States and Turkey and Bul- Cabinet Council was held late last get out of the way.

| Cabinet Council was held late last get out of the way. | Cardinal Pagin of the city burnship. | Cardinal Pagin of the cit Ral- | Eminence Cardinal Regin of the city humanity. We have refused to enof Quebec, this high dignarity of the tertain unworthy suspicions of our

seriousness of the situation created educated jingoes probabilities are that the Germans count of the proposed prohibiting of meeting the situation which has ance Ralston would have been in- wanton acts the cardinal condemns absolutely-his letter read in all the Japanese divisions moving along the churches in the city did not have the Trans-Siberian Railway now are effect anticipated, and the only con- more valuable to the Allied cause clusion drawn is that outside inflution coming from his authority would Japan may perhaps be taken as a be respected; in fact, had always been respected."

Not Agreed On Metails. (Canadian Press Despatch)

Quebec, April 3.—The sixty-two RUSSIA IS WATCHING prisoners arrested in connection with the rioting Monday night are still in enemy-which, despite its harsh custody of the military, and the military and civil authorities had not Battle of Saturday the British decided to agreed as to the details of the proseattempt to restore the lines, and Ca- tion when these cases were called nadian cavalry was sent out for the for preliminary hearing by Judge purpose of clearing the wood and re- Langelier. The military are not willestablishing the positions north of ing at present to grant the prisoners

Premier Borden's Statement. -Ottawa, April 3 .- Sir Robert Bor-

to the Military Service Act. In future men who engage in riots to let us take a rest." against the Military Service Act will be arrested and put into uniform, regardless of the class they are in.

consideration and firmness, and will see that Federal officers are ade- Exchange of the instruments of quately protected," said Premier Bor- ratification of the peace treaty con-

"Law is law, and must be respected," commented Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who, however, suggested that provocation to disobey the law should be avoided. He , observed that it was possible that the law might bo enforced in such a way as to provoke public sentiment. If enforced with proper regard for the people, he said, there would be no serious trouble in connection with its enforcement,

BRITISH RECAPTURE THE TOWN OF AYETTE

And Repulse a Determined BLOODY German Attack in the Vicinity of Fampoux.

(Canadian Press Despatch.) London, April 3 .- British troops after sharp fighting last night, repulsed a determined attack by the Germans in the neighborhood of Fampoux, the War Office announced to-

The town of Ayette, about eight miles south-west of Arras, is again in British possession, the statement

"At dawn yesterday a determined | Secretary of War, said: attack made by a strong party of the enemy against our positions in cessful local operation was underborhood of Ayette, which is now in all these battalions are preparing our possession. Over 100 priseners for a new and desperate effort. It tured by us. We secured a few prisoners yesterday, through an ennothing further to report from the effort, those best informed do not battle front. Lincolnshire troops raided the enemy's trenches northear, of Loos yesterday morning and captured thirty-one prisoners and a munique, and that sums up the situmachine gun. Another successful ation. The enemy is checked, but raid, in which we captured a few not yet defeated. men, was carried out by us last night north-east of Poelcappelle.

French Repulse Attack. (Canadian Press Despatch)

Paris, April 3.-A German attack south of Moreuil last night was repulsed by the French fire, and the point being the centre. When that enemy was unable to gain a footing effort is repulsed, we may begin to in any part of the French positions, think the game is won." the War Office announces.

JAPAN IS URGED

Weekly Dispatch of London Says It Would Give Hindenburg Surprise.

Dispatch, a Northcliffe newspaper, attempt at breaking through. This prints an editorial entitled, "Bring opens the way to the possibility that an Unpleasant Surprise."

The editorial says: "At the pres-

surprise. It is to bring in Japan decisive victory. This factor may Quebec, April 3.—The city was with her splendid army of two million. Imagine the effect on the hammer-and-tongs struggle German population, who have been months, with victory going to the promised an early peace as a result side whose reserves last longer. In an interview with Rev. Canon Japanese divisions is astride the their adversaries, especially the have derived color from the indisby last night's disturbances. Such who carry no weight. The effectiveness of Japanese intervention will be graduated by its swiftness. Ten than twenty divisions two months ences must be at work as his Emin- furnish steel for ships have just been later. That the arrangements to ence is confident that any proclama- concluded between America and happy augury of the change of attitude on the part of America towards the entry of Japan into Siberia. Much hinges on the breadth of vision

of Japanes diplomacy." THE WEST ANXIOUSLY

Empire's Future Fought at Peronne-Remorse For Desertion.

Petrograd, April 3 .- News of the the programme. The cavalry swept The city remained quiet to-day, the English front in France, long through the forest like a winter with the soldiers in full control of expected as an outcome of the Russian defection, is followed here with Judge Langelier adjourned the intense interest, for the fate of Ruscases till this afternoon and intimat- sia herself now, she is a helpless North of the Luce the enemy at- ed that he would communicate with spectator is more than ever depenbrought this intensification of the General Lessard announced this German offensive in the west. Many afternoon that the men under arrest of them openly acknowledge the fact would be examined to see if they with deep disgust. The Russian come under the Military Service Act. press. Dielo. Naroda, says: "The and if they do they will be dealt with destiny of Russia, as well as the fate accordingly by the military and not of England and France, is being deturned over to the civil authorities, cided in the great battles at Peronne. There is being settled the question whether or not Russia is to ally independent state. Lenine's reden announced in the Commons yes- spite is an Alusion. The Germans terday afternoon that important have just reminded us of this with amendments would shortly be made cruel unceremoniousness. They demand the fulfilment of the conditions of peace and are not disposed

> Mayor Martin Re-elected. "The Dominion Government will Montreal, April 3. - Medrie Martin continue to enforce the Military Ser- was re-elected mayor of Montreal vice Act with impartiality, fairness, yesterday, by a majority of 7.270.

cluded between the Central Powers "Law is law, and must be respect- and Russia took place on March 30th.

THE ENEMY MUST CONTINUE OR THROW UP SPONGE.

The Under Secretary of War in France Summarizes Situation-

Ground Covered With Dead. Paris, April 3 .- Discussing the possibilities of the German offensive last night with a representaannounces. The text of the state- tive of Premier Clemenceau's

Homme Libre, M. Abrami, Under "It is expected that they will the neighborhood of Fampoux was again attack with violence. They repulsed after sharp fighting. A num- are caught, as it were, in a glove ber of German dead and a few pris- finger and are forced to go on oners were left in our hands. A suc- They will go on; on their side it taken by us last night in the neigh- is black with troops. Without doubt

and three machine guns were cap- will be made to-morroy, perhaps." Although in other newspapers the terprise in the neighborhood of words "A bloody defeat" are begin-Serre, already reported. There is ning to be applied to the German consider the battle won yet. "A bloody check," says the official com-

The Journal says: "The game is not yet played out that is certain; but at this moment the enemy cannot advance. Let us expect another heavy effort, the really dangerous

As M. Abrami and The Journal writer indicate, the position of the Germans is tactically so unfavorable TO ENTER SIBERIA especially on the left flank, that despite losses which have conservatively been estimated at two-thirds of the enemy's whole strategic reserve, though, of course, a large part of the divisions technically used up whi be able to return to action before very long, they will be London; April 3. The Weekly forced to continue their desperate present comparative scale of losses, That the Act May Not Be Judi- ent moment we have an unrivalled of equilibrium will be produced sufopportunity of giving Hindenburg a ficient for Foch actually to win a

en part in the war from Verdun to eastern Ally, which to some extent the Somme. They have never seen "Cardinal Regin deeply feels the creet utterances of a few German er two kilometres in the district of Tokio | Saturday's fighting, there were literally heaps of corpses."

The Under Secretary concluded with the statement that French reserves, artillery and munitions continued to arrive in profusion, the French transport service working admirably. The German transport service on the contrary, already suffering from lack of grease for trains and lorries and of rubber for tires, has been thrown into furtner confusion by the fire of French long range artiflery now in position, and by the superiority of the Allied airplanes. Both airplanes and artillery are shelling every depot continually and breaking up troop concertations wherever signalled.

Imminent danger of an attack by the Austrians in great force upon the Italian lines is emphasized

CANADIAN MOTOR MACHINES SAVE **MANY SITUATIONS**

London, April 3 .-- Hamilton splendidly the gallant and useful part played by Canadian motor machine guns, which gained precious time for saving things which would have otherwise fallen into the enemy's hands. Their duty was to assist and wherever a line was particularly pressed they attacked and dispersed German cavalry.. Canadians put these, guns in front wire, till, finding themselves in danger of being outflanked, they withdrew

They suffered in withdrawal the loss of only one sergeant and two privates, left unwounded. Captain has had his arm blown off. Some men had only twenty hours' sleep in eight days, yet the commander reported every man cheerful and

full of fight. nothing could be more successful than the first appearance of this vastly useful unit," concludes Fyfe. "They saved many situations from develop-ing seriously, and killed a tremendous lot of Boches. Both our troops are the French speak of them in highest ad-miration and gratitude."