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BRITISH PLUNGE AHEAD MORE THAN MILE IN POWERFUL WEST FLANDERS OFFENSIVE; ALL OBJECTIVES GAINED ON 9-MILE FRONT

Haig's Victorious Forces Drive Deep Into Belgian Territory Occupied by Kaiser's Army

Several Villages Occupied in Sector East of Ypres—Many Prisoners Are Captured

Attack Launched at 6 o'Clock This Morning, After Intense Artillery Bombardment of Foe

LONDON, Oct. 4.—British forces have advanced more than a mile deep into the German lines in what looked today to be one of the war's greatest battles. Prisoners already taken reach into four figures. Several villages have already been taken. The drive was still on this afternoon. "British troops have captured all objectives today on a front of 18,000 yards, reaching a maximum depth of 2,000 yards," declared General Maurice, director of operations, this afternoon. "Broadened is among the villages taken today." Haig struck his blow early this morning, the climax to a whirlwind of artillery that for days has been relentlessly, unceasingly on the German positions. In all respects the blow impresses one as among the biggest, if not the biggest, of all the battles of the greatest of all wars. Fighting is on an unprecedented scale of magnitude in men, munitions, guns and territory.

THREE DIVISIONS WIPED OUT. At Zonnebeke alone three enemy divisions in German division ordinarily contains 15,000 men were ordered to attack and make ground they lost in the first staggering impact of the British blow. The Germans—the entire three divisions—were caught in the British barrage. The firing line literally advanced to the plain. "East of Ypres we attacked at 6 o'clock this morning on a wide front and with satisfactory progress," Field Marshal Haig reported. "A number have already been taken prisoners." The assault was delivered over a front north of the Ypres-Menin road and north and south of the Ypres-Looslers road. The British plunged forward in the misty dawn, stumbling through shell craters and great ragged furrows, where bursting projectiles had literally plowed the ground into a mass of uneven trenches. The wrecked front-line trenches in many places were soon in the hands of the British.

PUSH ON TO BELGIAN PLAIN. This latest drive in the battle of Flanders is part of the British campaign to force the Germans from Passchendaele ridge back upon the Belgian plain, where there is no high ground to give them shelter. For ten days London has been eagerly awaiting just such news as that contained in Haig's message. During that time massed British guns have been pouring a concentrated fire of the greatest intensity that has yet recorded on German positions in the Ypres sector. The bombardment has been interspersed with desperate German assaults. The enemy high command realized that the tremendous gunfire presaged another British drive and has sought in every manner to mass troops and guns to prevent it. Nearly a week ago correspondents at the British front gave hint of what was preparing. Then, a day or so later, they would London's expectancy to the highest pitch by mysteriously announcing there would be no news reported from the British front for twenty-four hours. It was during this time, the public figured today, that Haig completed all plans for the drive. Presumably Haig struck again today at the Passchendaele ridge line—the strategic center of the German front in Flanders. It is the key to the German lines from there to the coast, the dominating geographical citadel defending the Roulers railway and certain main arteries of communication with the German bases at Zeebrugge and Ostend.

SAN GABRIELE LINES HELD FAST BY ITALIANS. ROME, Oct. 2.—The official report from headquarters says: At dawn Tuesday the enemy attacked our positions on the western slopes of Monte San Gabriele. The attack failed completely. The assaulting company was destroyed and a battalion following it was caught in turn under our batteries and dispersed. One officer and seventy-nine men remained in our hands. On other parts of the Bainsizza plateau front we captured in successful patrol actions additional prisoners and three machine guns. Activity in the air was very lively during the day. One of our squadrons bombarded the railway station at Gravobovo. Last night there were two successful raids. Military objectives at Pola were bombarded with four tons of projectiles and badly damaged.

FOUNDRYMEN ON STRIKE. Several Hundred Out Following 10 Per Cent Wage Increase Demand. BERWICK, Pa., Oct. 4.—Several hundred men and boys employed by the American Car and Foundry here are on strike. They demand a 10 per cent increase in wages. The men assert 10,000 are out but the company says their statement is absurd.

THE CONTINUATION OF THE STORY "Germany, the Next Republic?" by Carl W. Ackerman is printed on Page 20.

U-BOAT BASES ON BELGIAN COAST MENACED BY HAIG'S NEW ADVANCE

THE great offensive in the front east of Ypres, opened this morning by Field Marshal Haig, has for its ultimate object the driving of the Germans from their Belgian seacoast bases at Ostend and Zeebrugge. The immediate object is the capture of the Passchendaele Ridge line. With this strategic position in British hands, further advance across the Belgian plain would present few difficulties, as the flat country gives little opportunity for successful defense against the superiority of the British artillery. Reports from the front this afternoon, showing that the advance has reached a maximum depth of more than a mile on a nine-mile front, show the magnitude of the offensive, and will serve to strengthen the belief in London that before the winter sets in Germany will be compelled to abandon its Belgian U-boat bases.

INTRIGUE FUND DIRECT FROM BERLIN TO U.S.

Bernstorff's Varied Activities Traced Directly to Foreign Office

MESSAGES ARE DECODED

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—The unlimited flow of gold with which Ambassador von Bernstorff carried on his propaganda and intrigue in the United States while America and Germany were still at peace was revealed this afternoon as having its source direct from the Berlin Foreign Office. This revelation came on the heels of disclosures which showed how Holo Pasha, now imprisoned in France as a traitor, came to this country to carry on his work of influencing newspapers in behalf of Germany.

Hugo Schmidt, resident agent of the Deutsches Bank, Berlin, appeared before Attorney General Lewis, of New York State, in response to a subpoena this afternoon and turned over to him copies of wireless messages he had exchanged with the bank in Berlin. The wireless messages revealed that Von Bernstorff was given \$1,683,000 from the Foreign Office between March 13 and April 1, 1916.

The payments were made through the Guaranty Trust Company in New York in installments ranging from \$500,000, which was the first payment, to \$200,000, which was the smallest. The total amount Bernstorff asked the Foreign Office for was \$1,700,000. The difference in this and the amount he actually received represents the depreciation in the value of the German mark. The messages showed that the code name for von Bernstorff was "Charles Gledhill." The code for the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, where some of the German funds were deposited, was "Fred Hooman."

Another code designated the Berlin Foreign Office. It was "William Foxley." The first message received by Schmidt was one sent via Sayville by him to the bank in Berlin dated March 11, 1916. The message said: "Communications with William Foxley and telegraph whether he has placed money at my disposal for Charles Gledhill." The answer, dated March 13, said: "Replying to your letter of March 11, Fred Hooman received money on account. You may dispose accordingly." On the same day Schmidt sent the following wireless to Berlin: "Nearly a week ago correspondents at the British front gave hint of what was preparing. Then, a day or so later, they would London's expectancy to the highest pitch by mysteriously announcing there would be no news reported from the British front for twenty-four hours. It was during this time, the public figured today, that Haig completed all plans for the drive. Presumably Haig struck again today at the Passchendaele ridge line—the strategic center of the German front in Flanders. It is the key to the German lines from there to the coast, the dominating geographical citadel defending the Roulers railway and certain main arteries of communication with the German bases at Zeebrugge and Ostend."

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MAN BURNED TO DEATH SITTING IN MOTORCAR

Auto Catches Fire in Garage and Worker Is Roasted—Police Are Investigating

A man was burned to death under mysterious circumstances early today at the Marxon service station, a garage at 1611 Vine street. The police of the Twentieth and Burtonwood streets station are making a rigid investigation. The man virtually was roasted to death while seated in an automobile, which was the only one burned, the police say. The victim was Walter Cunard, thirty-three years old, of 1235 Fairmount avenue. He was employed at the garage, which is owned by the Fanning-Matthia Company. Detectives say that only two men were in the garage when the car caught fire. Cunard was seated in the car and was found there terribly burned by other employees. They had been out and returned to find the car in flames. The police are at a loss to know why Cunard was unable to get out when the fire occurred. The car was wrecked. The other automobile was slightly damaged.

AUTOMOBILE STRIKES WAGON

Driver of Horse Slightly Hurt, Horse Killed, Motorists Arrested

John McNamee, fifty-five years old, 4218 Aspen street, was slightly injured today when his wagon was struck by an automobile at Preston street and Haverford avenue. He was taken to the Presbyterian Hospital. His horse was so badly injured that it had to be killed. Three men, who, the police say, were in the automobile, were arrested and held in \$500 bail for a further hearing by Magistrate Stevenson. They are John G. Biggins, a schoolteacher, Eleventh street and Moyamensing avenue; Frederick G. Sardo, 2418 South Third street; and Thomas Galvin, 2418 South Eleventh street.

ADD MILLIONS TO CITY TOTAL ON WAR BONDS

Financial Concerns and Others Subscribe for Big Blocks of Loan

WOMEN AND SCOUTS BUSY

Among the subscriptions to the new Liberty Loan reported today were nine big ones which totaled \$10,650,000. Two million dollars' worth of the bonds which are to provide Uncle Sam with money with which to lick the Kaiser were taken by the Girard Trust Company. Equal amounts were subscribed by the Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives and Granting Annuities, and the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company. The Commercial Trust Company bought \$1,000,000 worth of the bonds. And the Norfolk and Western Railway Company, subscribing to \$3,000,000 of the bonds, credited to the Philadelphia district Federal Reserve Bank \$2,500,000 of them. The railroad company will offer its employees the opportunity to purchase the bonds through it and to pay for them in ten monthly installments.

Other subscriptions reported this morning included the Third National Bank's purchase of \$1,000,000 worth of the bonds; the subscription of the Manayunk National Bank for \$250,000; the Girard Trust Company for \$200,000; and the Glass Bottle Blowers' Association for \$40,000. Many subscriptions are being turned in by Boy Scouts, captained by Winthrop Cavanaugh. These subscriptions amounted to more than \$17,000.

A regiment of women is being mobilized today to fight for Uncle Sam. They are taking the pieces of the men who have already gone into khaki, and they will fight for the safety of the nation just as truly as the men. The regiment is to be made up of hundreds of Philadelphia's school teachers. It was "called to the colors" today by the executive committee in charge of the second Liberty Loan campaign. When the first issue of Liberty Bonds was sold last summer the committee in charge was able to call upon some 600 young bond salesmen and bank employees, who went out on the streets and sold the Liberty Bonds by personal solicitation. Now scores of these men have gone into the officers' reserve ranks or have been drafted. The result is that the committee has only about 150 men to draw on at present.

These trained men, in squads of six, with twenty-three squads in all, are out "on the job" today, under the general supervision of Grenville Montgomery, of the investment firm of Henry & West. To supplement their work, the Liberty Loan committee has decided to call today upon the 6000 school teachers of Philadelphia, of whom enough are women to form a full regiment, to canvass for subscriptions to the bonds in their hours after school. Already the school teachers have been assisting in the drive against the Kaiser by explaining the purposes of the Liberty

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SILENT SEND-OFF FOR PENN FOOTBALL TEAM

Nary a Rooter Sees Quakers Leave Station for Atlanta, Ga., to Play Georgia Tech

The University of Pennsylvania football squad, numbering twenty, with the idol coach, Bob Fowell, and the manager, Bill Mather, left this afternoon at 1:20 from the West Philadelphia station for Atlanta, Ga., where the Georgia Tech eleven will be played on Saturday, and for the first time in many years there was not one undergraduate at the station to send the players off with a wish for good luck. In other years it has been the custom for several hundred students to march down to the station, and on the way let all Philadelphia know that the team was departing. Yesterday it looked as if the boys were going to a funeral. The players stood around waiting for the train with gloom written all over their faces, and even the optimistic Fowell wore an expression that breathed disappointment, although he would not admit dissatisfaction.

The affair today was the exact opposite of last year, when the students almost tore the roof of Broad Street Station with their shouts when the players left for Pittsburgh and later for Michigan. Failure on the part of the undergraduates to give the team a rousing send-off has been considered as an ill-omen mainly because two years ago the students gathered after the train pulled out and Penn was given a defeat by Dartmouth in the last few minutes of play, when victory was within grasp of the Red and Blue.

To add to the general misery of the affair, "Jerry" Jerauld, the big guard, who rowed at No. 5 in the waist of the Penn shell, missed the train and up to 2 o'clock had not appeared at the station. Jerauld started the game yesterday against Albright and put up a hindering of a battle for an inexperienced man. The belief that Jerauld before the train left, Fowell said that the men he had on the squad had

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MORE ARRESTS IN EDDYSTONE CASE ARE DUE

Explosion Now Believed Result of Plot by Anarchists

LAW'S COILS TIGHTEN



EDDYSTONE SUSPECTS

These three prisoners are being held in connection with the explosion at the Eddystone Ammunition Corporation last April. Above is Nicholas Klekner and below Michael Lagoda, both inspectors of ammunition, who are charged with murder and having caused the explosion. In the center is Klekner's wife, known by her maiden name, Tadiana Jovovich. She was arrested in Chicago when a code message of warning from Philadelphia reached her too late.

Evidence which it is believed will prove that the explosion at the plant of the Eddystone Ammunition Corporation April 16, in which 123 lives were lost, was the result of a plot by the most dangerous anarchists in the country, who are closely associated with leaders of the Industrial Workers of the World and German propagandists has been uncovered by Federal agents, following the arrests Tuesday of three Russians, who were former inspectors of ammunition at the plant.

The ringleaders of the plot are said to be the men now under arrest and others whose arrests are expected very soon. Frank L. Garbarino, special agent of the Department of Justice in this city, who is conducting the investigation, stated that the case is of such importance and so much involved with enemy propaganda in this country that it would be unwise to give any information for publication for the present. Startling disclosures following an examination of the rooms of the prisoners gave the investigators clues which resulted in the arrest in Chicago yesterday of a woman, the wife of one of the men previously arrested, who was employed at the ammunition plant as a stenographer for her husband, but who lived under her maiden name, Tadiana Jovovich, in separate rooms in this city. Two other arrests are said to have been made yesterday, details of which the authorities are withholding until they have gathered in other suspects of the plot under surveillance. Another arrest will be made today in Delaware County.

WIFE WARNING IN VAIN

The woman arrested in Chicago is the wife of Nicholas Klekner, who with Michael Lagoda, was arrested in Modia Tuesday on charges of murder. When associates of the pair heard of Klekner's arrest they telegraphed a warning to her in code, but the Federal agents reached her first. The Federal agents who have been investigating the explosion always were of the belief that Klekner, Lagoda and the girl were implicated in the disaster, but never could connect them.

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LAW-BREAKERS PAID "PROTECTION"; GORDON INTIMATES MAYOR "DOCTORED" TRUE REPORT ON FIFTH WARD; DEUTSCH REAL "BOSS" OF COPS

QUICK NEWS

BASEBALL SCORES—NATIONAL LEAGUE. BOSTON (1st g.) 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—1 7 1. BROOKLYN 0 0 0 0 0 3 1 1 X—5 11 1. Scott and Meyers; Smith and Krueger. BOSTON (2d g.) 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0—. BROOKLYN 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—. Nehf and Tragosor; Cadore and Krueger.

AMERICAN LEAGUE. WASHINGTON 0 2 3 0 0 0—. BOSTON 0 1 2 0 1 0 0—. Shaw and Ainsmith; Pennock and Mayer.

EXHIBITION GAMES. NEW YORK (N.L.)—. CHICAGO (N.L.)—. ST. LOUIS (A.L.)—. ST. LOUIS (N.L.)—.

DEFICIENCY BILL GOES TO PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—The House this afternoon adopted the conference report on the \$8,000,000,000 urgent deficiency bill, the largest appropriation bill in the history of the world. The Senate having likewise adopted the report, the measure now goes to President Wilson for his signature.

HOUSE VOTES FOR ADJOURNMENT SATURDAY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—A resolution to adjourn at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon was unanimously adopted by the House this afternoon.

\$10,000 MAXIMUM BACK IN SOLDIERS INSURANCE BILL

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—The Senate this afternoon restored to the soldiers and sailors insurance bill the \$10,000 maximum insurance to be granted soldiers and sailors. The Senate Committee had reduced it to \$5,000.

U. S. RAILROAD EXPERTS TO AID IN RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—Some of the best railroad officials in the country are going to be organized into a brigade to rehabilitate the railroads of Russia. It was learned today. S. M. Felton, director general of railroads of the War Department, is planning to organize an engineers' unit made up wholly of managers and superintendents of railroads centering in Chicago. This unit will be a quasi-military organization. Those composing the unit will receive no pay. The organization will not be a large one, and it is understood it will pay particular attention to certain sections of the Siberian railroad.

CITY TREASURY HOLDS \$23,805,429.28

Exclusive of the sinking fund account, there is a balance of \$23,805,429.28 in the city treasury, according to the weekly statement of City Treasurer McCooch. During the week there was \$2,098,523.23 paid into the treasury and the disbursements amounted to \$1,145,264.25.

AMERICAN SCHOONER SUNK BY U-BOAT GUNFIRE

LONDON, Oct. 4.—The American schooner Annie F. Conlon has been sunk by gunfire of a German submarine, the Admiralty announced today. The attack occurred off the Scilly Islands. The crew of eight were landed. Lloyd's lists the Annie F. Conlon as a three-masted wooden schooner of 591 tons, owned by F. H. Garrett, of Portsmouth, N. H.

U. S. TO SEND MILITARY OBSERVERS ABROAD

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—In order to speed up the instructions of America's new army in modern methods of warfare, the War Department soon will designate one major and three captains from nearly every regiment now in formation at National Guard and National Army cantonments to go abroad as military observers for a period of six weeks. Regimental commanders have been requested to recommend the most expert military men among the majors and captains, best equipped mentally for absorbing the details of modern warfare in the six weeks' period.

AMERICAN SUGAR OUSTER PROCESS DISMISSED

NEW YORK, Oct. 4.—Dispatches from New Orleans state that the suit brought by the State of Louisiana to oust the American Sugar Refining Company from that State has been dismissed on motion of the Attorney General of Louisiana.

WAR-STAINED FRENCH GUNS FOR YALE BATTERY

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 4.—France has sent a battery of 75-millimeter guns, caissons and equipment for use of the Yale artillery companies. The guns were placed in the baseball cage. The guns have been in service on the western front and show much camouflage. They are the first guns of this type to arrive in this country, and are for instruction purposes.

DENIES 10,000 CHARGES AGAINST I. W. W. PRISONERS

CHICAGO, Oct. 4.—Two of the greatest issues between the 166 indicted I. W. W. members and the United States are whether an organization can go on strike during wartime and whether members can stay out when that strike was initiated before the war started, according to Otto Christensen, attorney for the latter organization, who has been investigating the charges against the I. W. W. and preparing for the legal battle which will open soon. Denial of each of the 10,000 charges named in the indictment was made by Christensen, who asserted the chief point at issue is whether the I. W. W. members are within the law in promulgating strikes during wartime.

BUYS SITE FOR NEW LANCASTER POSTOFFICE

LANCASTER, Pa., Oct. 4.—This city is one step nearer to the long-hoped-for new postoffice, the Federal Government, through Edward J. Kremp, an Assistant United States District Attorney, of Philadelphia, having just purchased the site for \$127,742. It is a quarter of a block near the heart of the city, bounded by North Prince, West Chestnut, Market and Marion streets, and embraces the old Moravian cemetery, from which the bodies have already been removed as a condition of sale; the public school administration building and the properties of Mrs. W. B. Allick.

Shifted Bluecoats Tell How Shern Law and Rules of Department Were Ignored

Fifth Ward Vare Leader Transferred or Demoted Them at Will, Say Alleged Victims

Court Appoints Three Physicians to Examine McNichol—Asks for Souder Report

Eleven big points developed today at the resumption of the hearing of the "Bloody Fifth" Ward murder conspiracy charges against Mayor Smith and eight associates arising from the killing of Acting Detective George A. Eppley by imported New York gunmen in the primary election of September 19. They were that:

- 1. Law-breakers in Fifth Ward paid "protection money" which was divided "three ways," division being among three mysterious and as yet unnamed men.
2. Court subpoena orders Mayor Smith to produce original and true report of pre-election Fifth Ward conditions made to Mayor by former Captain of Detectives Souder through Detectives Walsh and La Strange.
3. Isaac Deutsch, Vare leader, openly proclaimed police "boss" by Lieutenant Bennett, who said Mayor Smith, the Vares and Department of Public Safety backed him.
4. Deutsch boasted that Mayor and "whole works" supported him, threatening policemen who would not work for him. He had Carey policemen shifted to far suburban stations.
5. Superintendent of Police Robinson, with approval of Director of Public Safety Wilson, violated Shern law by shifting "Carey" policemen to suburbs, following Deutsch threat of such action, prosecution showed.
6. Firemen also were made victims of political fight and transferred miles from home because they would not support Deutsch, fire captain and men testify.
7. Mayor's responsibility for actions of his department heads (including Director Wilson) was cited from the Bullitt bill (city charter) by prosecution.
8. Second unsuccessful effort was made by Vare-Smith police to cause arrest of Samuel G. Maloney, Commonwealth's "star" witness.
9. Prosecution obtained appointment of three physicians to pass on condition of Senator McNichol, this witness having been declared too sick to attend by Director of Public Health and Charities Krusen, a Vare-Smith appointee.
10. Former Captain of Detectives Alfred Souder, Mayor's own personal investigator into Fifth Ward conditions, testified if he had been superintendent of police or an official with full powers to act he would not have tolerated conditions that existed in Fifth Ward.
11. Lieutenant Bennett, "alias Steinberg," was held in \$10,000 bail by Judge Brown, who rebuked him for changing his name.

HEARING DELAYED

Hearing of the murder conspiracy charges was resumed at 10:30 o'clock before President Judge Charles L. Brown, in the criminal branch of the Municipal Court. It was delayed by the late arrival of several of the nine defendants—Mayor Thomas B. Smith, Select Councilman William E. Flaherty, Common Councilman Isaac Deutsch, Police Lieutenant David Bennett and Policemen Uram, Wietzhafer, Murphy, Feldman and Hayden, the negro.

THE WEATHER

FORECAST. For Philadelphia and vicinity: Partly cloudy and cooler tonight; Friday unsettled and warmer, with probably some light rain; moderate westerly winds becoming southerly Friday. For eastern Pennsylvania: Fair and cooler tonight; Friday probably showers with rising temperature; moderate westerly winds becoming southerly.