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LORD ROBERTS DIES IN INDIANS' CAMP

ENGLAND'S FAMOUS SOLDIER SUC-
CUMBS TO PNEUMONIA AS HE
VISITS INDIAN TROOPS.

HE WAS 82 YEARS OF AGE

News of Lord Roberts' Death Comes
as a Surprise to England—Was
the Most Popular Military Fig-
ure in Great Britain.

London.—Field Marshal Earl Roberts died in France from pneumonia. A telegram from Field Marshal Sir John French, commander of the British expeditionary forces on the continent, apprised Earl Kitchener, secretary of state for war, of the death of England's great soldier. The telegram read:

"I deeply regret to tell you that Lord Roberts died at 8 o'clock this evening."

Field Marshal Roberts, who was colonel in chief of the Indian troops, had gone to France to greet them. Soon after his arrival he became seriously ill. He suffered from a severe chill and pneumonia rapidly developed. His great age, 82 years, militated against his recovery, the crisis in the disease coming quickly.

The news of Lord Roberts' death came as an entire surprise to England. The veteran's devotion to the interests of the army, his hard work in this connection and his seeming good health had been the subject of comment since the beginning of the war. He was the most popular military figure in Great Britain and a national hero without rival in the affections of the people.

WEATHER BOTHERS ARMIES

Battle in Flanders Almost at a Stand-
still on Account of Heavy Rains
and Wind.

London.—The battle of Flanders, which was brought about by the German attempt to advance to Dunkirk and Calais, on the northern coast of France, commenced just four weeks ago and, despite terrific fighting and the sacrifice of thousands of lives, the two armies still hold virtually the same positions as when the first shot was fired.

After taking Antwerp and Ostend, the German forces proceeded with little or no opposition as far as Nieuport, on the Yser canal. Here they found against them the re-entranced Belgian army, as well as an enfilading fire from British monitors, and they were unable to make progress. Floods then completed the discomfiture of the invaders and they commenced an effort to break through the allied line between Dixmude and Ypres.

The Germans have had one or two minor—sometimes only temporary—successes, such as the crossing of the canal and the capture of Dixmude, but now, according to official and other reports, while they hold a part of Dixmude, they are back on the east side of the canal and again have slackened their attacks.

The weather, which has been very stormy, with heavy rains, says the statement of the German general army headquarters, has disturbed their operations. This may well be true, for people who have arrived from across the English channel during the past few days say a high wind has been driving the rain across open spaces, filling the trenches and making it next to impossible for the men to protect themselves.

In spite of the unfavorable conditions, both sides have been making charges and both claim to have met with some success. The Germans again report the capture of a number of prisoners and also that they have repulsed the British and French attacks.

RUSSIANS IN EAST PRUSSIA

Capture Five German Howitzers Near
Soldau, and Occupy Tarnow, in
Galicia—Cross Schrenkava.

Petrograd.—The general staff of the Russian army has given out an official announcement, as follows:

"In East Prussia we continue to make progress. We have captured five German howitzers near Soldau. Nov. 13 we forced the Germans to retire from Rypin. Between the Vistula and the Werthe we have had encounters with advance detachments of the enemy.

"In the direction of Gracow Russian troops have crossed the River Schrenkava. We have occupied Tarnow, in Galicia."

London.—Official announcement was made in London that the Sultan of Kelantan, a petty state in Siam, had given assurances of the loyalty of his people and that there would be no local disturbances as a result of the war between Great Britain and Turkey.

London.—An Exchange telegram from Rangoon says that a lance corporal and private of the Heima regiment, stationed at Salisbury, have proved German spies and have been dealt with by the military authorities.



GENERAL BARNARDISTON
Brigadier General Barnardiston is in command of the British land forces that are co-operating with the Japanese in the attack on the German possessions at Kiauchau, China.

KAISER'S MENTAKE DIXMUDE

Berlin Says Allies Have Been Driven
Out of Elol—Progress Claimed
at Lille.

Berlin.—General headquarters make the following report:

"We made good progress on the branch of the Ypres Canal. We took Dixmude by storm. We captured over 500 prisoners and nine machine guns.

"Further south on this line our troops crossed the canal west Lange-marck. The young German regiments threw themselves against the captured first line of the enemy's positions, singling in the attack, 'Deutschland über alles.' About 2,000 infantry were taken prisoners and six machine guns captured.

"South of Ypres we have driven the enemy out of Elol. Severe fighting took place in the neighborhood of La-Bassee, extending over several days. We captured here about 1,000 prisoners and six machine guns.

"Despite fierce counter attacks by British troops, the dominating heights to the north of Armentieres remain in our hands.

"Our attack has made progress to the southwest of Lille. The French suffered heavy losses in attempting to recapture the commanding heights to the north of Vienne-le-Chateau.

CARL LODY SHOT AS A SPY

Found Guilty by Court-Martial—Main-
tains Silence—Was Not an Amer-
ican—Watched Fleet.

London.—It is officially announced that Carl Hans Lody, alias Charles A. Inglis, who was found guilty by court-martial of espionage Nov. 2, has been shot as a spy.

When arrested Lody claimed to be an American, but later confessed he was a German. He had lived in New York and Omaha. In the latter city he married the daughter of Gottlieb Storz, a brewer, who later divorced him.

Lody met his death in the Tower of London, after he was found guilty by court-martial on charges of having communicated with the enemy. The statement concerning the execution is brief, merely saying:

"Sentence was duly confirmed."

It is understood Lody refused to the last to reveal the name of the superior officer from whom he received his instructions to spy on the British navy.

This was the first execution in the Tower of London since 1700. The scene of the execution was the Tower Barracks, not far from the spot where Anne Boleyn and other persons famous in English history were put to death.

TURKS MAKE DIRE THREAT

Will Exact Three Lives for Every
Muslim Slain During Siege.
Notify Consuls.

Washington.—The commander of the Turkish forces at Beirut, in a formal note addressed to the American consul-general and intended for the British and French governments, declares that for every Muslim killed in the bombardment of any open and unfortified port, three British subjects will be immediately executed.

The Turkish commander stated that for any Turkish property damaged, compensation would be exacted by seizing property of British and French subjects in equal value. The communication asked that the British and French consuls be advised of this determination.

Canal Free From Attack.

London.—A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from Rome says that the Neue Freie Presse says that the Turks have renounced the idea of attacking the Suez canal because they fear that by so doing they might endanger the interests of Italy.

Flee From Odessa.

Berlin.—Reports reaching here from Sofia, Bulgaria, set forth that a majority of the inhabitants of Odessa on the Black Sea, have fled to the interior.

RUSSIANS DRIVE AUSTRIANS BACK

"THE ENEMY HAS MARCHED INTO
TARNOW, JOSLO AND KROSNO,"
SAYS VIENNA.

VICTORY CLAIMED BY BOTH

On Western Front the Allies and Ger-
mans Make Claims of Success.
Big Engagements Are in
Progress in East.

New York.—Russia has driven the Austrians out of the towns of Tarnow, Jaslo and Krosno, in Galicia, and the Austrians probably now are retreating toward the Carpathian Mountains.

"The enemy has marched into Tarnow, Jaslo and Krosno," is the cryptic style in which the Vienna officials announce this reverse to her arms. Petrograd merely announces the taking of Krosno, with heavy losses to the Austrian rear guard. Nothing is said of the other two towns in the Russian official report.

On the western battle front the allies are said to have retaken Dixmude from the Germans. This report is unofficial, and has not been confirmed by either Paris or London. Fighting in the vicinity of Dixmude and also around Ypres continues to be extremely violent.

In the western zone both the allies and the Germans make claims to success at various points. These claims, however, do not carry with them announcements of decisive victories at any point.

The Germans say their marines at Nieuport inflicted heavy losses on the allies; that they captured 700 prisoners.

The big engagements are already in progress or are about to begin in the east, all the way from the northern part of East Prussia to the eastern point of Galicia, seems evident from the troops' dispositions of the Germans and the Russians. Some battles have already taken place on the northeast, where the Germans are making preparations to contest vigorously any Russian attempt to gain a foothold in Eastern Prussia.

The Austrians say they have entirely cleared their territory of the Serbian army.

A Turkish report coming by way of Berlin says the Russians are retreating all along the entire battle front.

That huge sums of money will be necessary to prosecute the war is indicated by the British government's notification that it will request Parliament to vote a credit of \$1,125,000,000 for expenses up to March 31. The French supplementary credit for the month of November amounts to \$182,154,504, or a daily average of \$6,000,000.

RUSSIANS CLAIM VICTORY

Staff Statement Covers Action in East
Prussia—Siege of Przemyśl Has
Been Resumed.

Petrograd.—The Russian general staff issued the following statement:

"In East Prussia an action developed on the front of Stalluponen. Our troops occupied Johannsburg (a small town of East Prussia, 70 miles to the southwest of Gumbinnen).

"Beyond the Vistula battles of secondary importance occurred in the region of Kalisz (Russian Poland), and Neschava, where advance guards of the enemy sought to progress.

"The Carpathians' Austrian rear guards maintained at the crossing on the upper San, in the region of Sanok, were attacked by our troops.

"The siege of Przemyśl, which was suspended during the period in which the Austro-German armies were on the offensive, has been re-established."

Reports reaching the Russian capital from the Turkish border attach increasing importance to the part the Armenians are playing in the Russian-Turkish war.

In several towns occupied by the Russians the Armenian students have shown themselves ready to join the invading army, and explained that they had prepared themselves for the Russian approach by constant drilling and by gathering arms secretly.

All along the line of march, according to these advices, the Armenian peasants are receiving the Russian troops with enthusiasm and giving them provisions freely.

An Armenian newspaper, referring to this crisis in the history of Armenia, publishes the following:

"The long anticipated day of deliverance for the Turkish Armenians is at hand, and the Armenians are prepared for any sacrifice made necessary by the performance of their manifold duty."

England Wants More Troops.

London.—The prime minister will ask for a new vote of credit and for a million more troops. It is understood, says the Daily News, that the vote of credit which will now be asked for will probably be for the large sum of \$1,125,000,000.

Berlin.—German general headquarters issued the following statement:

"In the eastern theater of the war our cavalry, operating near Kalisz, have driven back the Russian cavalry, which made a fresh advance."



GENERAL KONDRATOVICH
General Kondratovich is a Russian commander who has won the Order of St. George by his energy and ability in the fighting with the Germans and Austrians.

WANT TO INVADE ENGLAND

Submarines May Invade England—Ac-
tivity Marked by Sinking of Tor-
pedo Boat Niger.

Deal, England.—By the destruction of the British torpedo boat Niger, which was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine in the Downs, the realities of war were brought home to the inhabitants of Deal and Walmer.

A loud explosion was heard from the gunboat as she lay off the Deal pier and great volumes of smoke enveloped the vessel. When the smoke cleared the Niger was observed to be settling down forward. Men, women and children rushed to the sea front, exclaiming that the vessel had been torpedoed or mined. They soon realized that the Niger was doomed. The Deal and Kingsdown life boats, as well as boats from other parts of the beach were launched in an effort to save the sailors.

Consternation and almost panic prevailed among the hundreds who stood watching the ghastly sight from the beach. Fortunately the North Deal galley Hope, commanded by Capt. Jno. Budd, lay at anchor near the spot waiting to land the pilot from a London steamer which was going down the channel. When the boatmen realized that the Niger had been hit by a submarine or mine, to use their own expression, they rowed like the very devil.

JAP SOLDIERS TO POLAND

60,000 Have Been Dispatched to Euro-
pean Firing Line—Big Guns Also
Are Shipped.

Port Arthur.—The war is greatly regretted by foreigners, as it has resulted in a flood of scurrilous Japanese cartoons and denunciations showing the lowest respect for white men. The Japanese newspapers leave no doubt in the minds of their readers that Japan is waging and winning the war against the Teutons while Britain, Russia and France cringe thankfully in the background.

In Vladivostok there is great turmoil over the dispatch of 60,000 soldiers to the westward. Every German of the extensive Teutonic colony there already has been shipped west to the prison camps.

Long trains of Japanese guns have gone to the front. One passenger train, consisting of half a mile of cars, left daily for the west for over a week, being hauled at a small pace by an antiquated locomotive, although the good locomotives in Siberia have been requisitioned for service in Russian Poland and an extraordinary collection of Belgian, German, Russian and American locomotives is attempting to cope with the traffic.

NIGHT ATTACKS REPULSED

Critical Stage in Battle Is Reached.
Paris Says Germans Unable to Ad-
vance From Dixmude.

London.—A critical stage in the battle in West Flanders has been reported, and the near future should produce something decisive.

The Germans, with all the forces at their command, have continued to attack the British and French, who hold the line between Dixmude and Ypres; but except for the capture of Dixmude, which occurred Tuesday, and some little progress around Ypres, they have not made material advances.

The French official report says all the attacks have been repulsed. The Germans no longer are utilizing green troops in this region, but have brought up the pick of their army, including some Prussian Guards, who attempted an offensive movement against the British, but without success.

Japs Raising Cruiser.

London.—An Exchange telegram dispatch from Peking says that the allies have captured at Tsing-Tau two German gunboats, one destroyer and five transports. They are raising the sunken Austrian cruiser by means of a floating dock.

Another Relief Ship.

Washington.—Arrangements were completed at American Red Cross headquarters for the sailing of another Belgian relief ship—the Norwegian steamer Thelma.

Events in Louisiana

BIG SAVING IN LEEVE CONTRACTS

TOTAL AMOUNT INVOLVED IN
PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS
\$315,425.10.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.
New Orleans.—Never in the history of the levee contract system along the Mississippi river have so many contractors entered a levee competition as were present in the United States engineers office in New Orleans Monday when bids for more than \$300,000 worth of government levee work in the Fourth Mississippi District were opened. The most remarkable feature of the bidding Monday, however, was the low price per cubic yard for which the various bidders offered to do the work. Compared with the prices paid by the government for levee work last year in this district, a total saving of \$142,010.30 was made in the contracts for which bids were approved. The total amount involved in the contracts is \$315,425.10.

A total of forty contractors, including many well-known firms of Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee, submitted bids. Except in the case of one small contract, for 9,500 cubic yards, lower bids were submitted on all the work than were received last year. This particular bid, which was for the construction of a strip of levee at Landerdale, in the Lafourche District was rejected by Major W. G. Caples, chief engineer of this district, as being too high.

Major Caples was gratified at the large number of bids submitted and the low prices offered by the contractors. On account of the long filibuster made in the United States Senate against the original rivers and harbors bill, the amount of money finally allotted to this district for river improvement work was only slightly more than \$1,000,000, or about one-half the amount expended last year. The remarkable saving of \$142,010.30 in the contracts for which Major Caples approved bids Monday is proof that he is doing everything possible to make the government appropriation for this year bring forth good results. This saving will make it possible for him to do further work in the different districts.

The average price per cubic yard paid last year and the net saving in each district on the bids approved Monday are as follows:

Lower Tensas—Average price 1913, 22.45 cents; amount saved, \$43,825. Atchafalaya—Average price 1913, 24.33 cents; net saving, \$44,440.55. Lafourche—Average price 1913, 22.89 cents; net saving, \$20,885. Barataria—Average price 1913, 23.70 cents; net saving, \$675. Ponchartraine—Average price 1913, 20.8 cents; net saving, \$20,442.60. Lake Borgne—Average price 1913, 20.35 cents; net saving, \$17,762.15. A total of 2,148,000 cubic yards of levee work are embraced in the contracts. All of the bids are subject to approval by the chief of engineers in Washington, but it is assumed that the recommendations made by Major Caples will be adopted. The Natchitoches levee, in the Barataria district, and the Millaudon levee, in the Lake Borgne district, must be completed by September 1, 1915; the other contracts provide for completion of the work by December 1, 1915.

Militia Appointments Announced.

Baton Rouge.—Adjutant General McNeese, Louisiana National Guard, has announced the following appointments and resignations in the State National Guard: Appointments—Battalion Sergeant Major Newton A. Sanders to be second lieutenant, Company I; First Sergeant Paul O. Leblanc, Company G, to be second lieutenant, Company G. Resignations—First Lieutenant Andrew T. Caldwell, Company K; First Lieutenant Ransom E. Jacobs, Company L; Second Lieutenant Charles S. Rely, battalion quartermaster, First Infantry.

Issues Warning to Stockmen.

Baton Rouge.—Because of the epidemic of foot and mouth disease among cattle and live stock of the North and West, Dr. W. H. Dalrymple, veterinarian of the state experiment station, has issued a warning to cattle dealers and dairymen of Louisiana to delay purchases of cattle, sheep, swine and stock from sections of the country contiguous to quarantined States.

Yellow Pine Men Dissolve.

New Orleans.—The dissolving of the Yellow Pine Manufacturers' Association, the liquidation of its affairs and the formation of a new association to carry on uniform grades and inspection only, with its headquarters probably located at New Orleans, was unanimously decided upon at a meeting Tuesday by the directors of the present association that the headquarters shall be located nearer the center of production, and it is believed that the claims of New Orleans.

Embarks in Hog Raising.

Donaldsonville.—Frank McKee, member of the firm of McKee Bros., of Versailles, Ky., who are among the largest and most successful breeders of Duroc-Jersey hogs in the United States, spent several days with Evan McCall, who has embarked in the raising of this variety of swine on an extensive scale, and has converted a part of the Evan Hall plantation, in this parish, into one of the best equipped and most modern hog farms in Louisiana.

Baton Rouge Tick Eradication.

Baton Rouge.—Tick eradication will be begun in earnest in East Baton Rouge parish as a result of the police jury's action in assuring \$2,000 for the carrying on of the work.

Shreveport.—The ninth Louisiana State Fair came to a close after eight successful days here Wednesday.

Old-Time Editor Is Dead.

Shreveport, La.—After a long illness, J. H. Cosgrove, known throughout the state of Louisiana as "General Jim," died at a local sanitarium Monday morning. The remains were taken to Natchitoches Monday afternoon for interment. "General Jim" Cosgrove was seventy-two years old, and had been actively engaged in the newspaper business in Louisiana since the close of the Civil war up until recent years, when his health became such as to cause his retirement.

DR. BARR DEFENDS FROM MINISTRY

HE WAS FOUND GUILTY OF HAV-
ING CREATED A SCHISM IN
THE CHURCH.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.
New Orleans.—Deposition from the Christian ministry, with suspension from the sacraments of the church until such a time as he shall give evidence of a sincere repentance, was the sentence imposed upon Rev. Dr. John C. Barr, pastor of the seceding Lafayette Presbyterian Church, by the New Orleans Presbytery Monday.

It was the first time in the history of the church in Louisiana that the office of deposition and virtual excommunication was performed, and Rev. Dr. U. D. Mooney, pastor of Napoleon Avenue Presbyterian Church, the moderator, as he read sentence deposing a brother minister and denying him the holy sacrament, was formal almost to the point of solemnity. His voice was close to breaking with emotion several times, and he prefaced the stern formality with a sincere expression of regret that, as moderator, it was his heavy duty to depose his "brother in Christ."

Dr. Barr was held guilty of rebellion and insubordination, the sin of creating a schism in the church was laid upon him, and the members of the presbytery seemed unanimous in the conclusion that only the severest penalty that the ecclesiastical code could impose would serve as fitting punishment for the offense.

The same sentence was passed against W. H. Leith, Dr. Barr's assistant, at the night session.

OFFICIAL ELECTION RETURNS

Andre M. Martin Defeated by Progress-
ive for State Equalization Board.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.
Baton Rouge.—The official returns of the secretary of state show that Andre M. Martin, Democratic candidate for member of the State Board of Equalization of the Third District, although he led his ticket by 818 votes, was defeated by J. Maurice Olivier, Progressive. Olivier's majority is exactly 700.

The returns give Gueydan, Democratic candidate for Congress from the Third District, 4,504; to Whitmel P. Martin, the Progressive candidate, 6,030, a majority of 1,426 for Martin.

The results in the other districts where there were contests follow:

First District—For Congress, Estopinal, Democrat, 9,557; Burns, Progressive, 907.

Second District—For Congress, Dupre, Democrat, 8,641; LeBourgeois, Progressive, 1,939.

Seventh District—Lazaro, Democrat, 3,792; Deitz, Socialist, 615.

Eighth District—Aaswell, Democrat, —; Jones, Socialist, 729.

The returns on the constitutional amendments are not complete, the returns from Bossier, Washington, Union, West Carroll and Lincoln being still out.

Sued By a Music Teacher.

New York.—Louis S. Berg, president of the New Orleans, Mobile and Chicago Railroad Company was named as defendant in a Supreme court action for the recovery of about \$900 by Mme. Maya Mercedes Ranzenberg, vocal teacher. Mme. Ranzenberg alleges this money is due for two months' services and her expenses in teaching vocal music to Miss Frances Berg, daughter of the defendant. Miss Berg came into public notice some time ago, when her father sued C. De Macchi, a grand opera teacher, for the recovery of \$7,200. He alleged De Macchi was engaged to make a grand opera singer of his daughter.

To Investigate Malaria.

Washington.—In order to conduct investigations with respect to the prevalence of malaria in New Orleans, several experts have been ordered from the Marine Hospital in Mobile to New Orleans. Sanitary Engineer J. A. A. Le Prince and Technical Assistants M. B. Mitzman, H. A. Taylor and D. M. Molloy have been relieved at Mobile and ordered to proceed to New Orleans.

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LIVESTOCK MEETING FOR ALEXANDRIA

STATE WIDE CONVENTION HAS
BEEN CALLED TO MEET DE-
CEMBER 9, 10 AND 11.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.
Alexandria.—The Alexandria Chamber of Commerce has called a state wide Livestock Convention to be held in this city December 9-11. There will be invited many stockmen of national reputation. State and university experts, local stock experts, and, in fact, there will be no stone left unturned to make this convention the most pleasant and profitable that has ever been held in the State. The social feature will not be left out, and the citizens of Alexandria will see to it that every person attending will spend a pleasant time and learn more about raising stock than they had any idea of.

Every person in the state that is interested in stock raising of any kind is cordially invited to attend this convention. Alexandria can be reached from any point within the state in seven hours.

The object of the proposed organization are:

1. Organization throughout the state to secure or purchase and to sell live stock, with information furnished by the secretary.

2. Secure better transportation facilities and car service and co-operate in purchases and shipment to best market, feed, fertilizers, etc.

3. To organize and agitate a campaign for tick eradication in each parish.

4. To organize clubs in each parish for dog eradication and propose laws for same.

5. Agitate better veterinary service generally.

6. Educate farmers to have themselves medical and surgical appliances and medicines where veterinaries are not available.

7. Intelligent understanding of abortion and its eradication.

8. Encourage and establish cow testing societies, and better understanding of balanced rations, etc.

9. Encourage the organization of creameries and condensed milk plants.

10. Encourage the purchase of pure bred animals, especially males, and their registration.

11. Encourage a law permitting certain standards for pure bred stallions.

12. Let association endorse and co-operate with agricultural department of the State University, its experimental station and the experimental station now being established at the Hope Farm by the U. S. Government.

13. Secure the active services in this connection of a capable traveling supervisor for different farms.

14. Only a partial fulfillment of the above suggestions will insure more and a better class of immigration.

The Chamber of Commerce says in its call:

"Louisiana is admirably adapted to stock raising of all kinds and now the opportunity was never better to engage in it. In order to assist in getting those interested started in this business the need of a state live stock association, such as other states have, is great at this time. Such an association should be organized strictly on a business basis, should maintain headquarters at some central point in the state, with a paid secretary, whose duty is to gather all the information possible for the stock raisers of the state. This man should have on hand information as to what kind of stock can best be raised in the state; what kind is adapted to the different sections; where stock can be obtained; price of same, etc. He should also be constantly looking up good markets, transportation facilities, etc., for the benefit of the association. Such an organization can do more in less time towards building up the stock raising industry than any other one thing."

Alexandria Poultry Exhibit.

Alexandria.—Sam Brodie, one of the proprietors of the "Snow White Poultry Farm," has tendered the use of the Adler Garage to the Poultry Association for the exhibit in December.

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