

## COALITION TALK AGAIN SET GOING AT OTTAWA

Prominent Western Liberals and Hartley Dewart,  
M. L. A., Believed to Be in Consultation  
With Borden.

By a Staff Reporter.  
Ottawa, July 4.—A number of prominent Liberals are here today and gossip is again busy with rumors of a coalition government. They include Hon. Arthur Sifton, premier of Alberta; Hon. J. A. Calder, minister of railways and highways in the government of Saskatchewan; Hon. A. B. Hudson, who lately resigned as attorney-general of the North government in Manitoba, and H. Hartley Dewart, K.C., M.L.A., of Toronto. It is assumed that these gentlemen are at least in consultation with the prime minister, and that some, or all of them, may be invited to join the government. No announcement, however, is anticipated until after the division on the conscription bill.

## NIGHT OFFENSIVE OF ENEMY FAILS

Germans Undertake Powerful  
Attacks on French  
Lines.

Paris, July 4.—This afternoon's official announcement follows:  
"Late yesterday the Germans undertook a powerful offensive action, which was prolonged all night, against all our positions north of Joux as far as to the east of the Calonne plateau. On this long front they made violent attacks repeatedly with large numbers of their special assaulting troops. Their efforts were directed principally east of Froimont farm, west and southwest of Cerny, north of Allies and also against the Calonne plateau.  
"The repulse of the enemy was complete, and his losses were very heavy, especially in the region of Cerny and on the Calonne plateau. His main assaults were almost entirely routed by our fire. At certain points where the Germans were able to gain a footing at the first shock, victorious counter-attacks drove them back, and they were not able to hold a single metre of our positions.  
"Surprise attacks against our small posts in the sector of Saignes and Vauquois were repulsed. The artillery was very active in the region of Hill 304 (Verdun front)."  
Today's German official statement says: "The French attacked east of Cerny and there succeeded in capturing small sections of trenches, but were later driven out and considerable numbers taken prisoners."

## RUSSIAN TORPEDO BOAT IS DESTROYED BY MINE

Accident Happens to Old Type of  
Craft in Black Sea.

Petrograd, July 4.—A Russian torpedo boat of an old type was blown up by a mine in the Black Sea on June 30, according to an official statement made today.

## WAR SUMMARY THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

HAVING completed one phase of their operations in eastern Galicia, the Russians are preparing for another, just as the allies do on the western front. The Austrians admit that they had to go back again on a section of their front south of Zboroff. Their version is that in engagements involving heavy sacrifices the Austro-Hungarian troops have been retiring only step by step against the pressure of superior forces. The news that the Russians in their latest assault scored on the enemy at a point south of Zboroff is illuminating, for it shows a considerable penetration of the enemy's line and progress of a turning movement on Zboroff. The Russian pressure is chiefly against Brzezany in a movement to get behind the town.

The scope of the Russian offensive of necessity remains concealed. Correspondents on the eastern front send despatches asserting that the battle now joined will last for a considerable period of time and Russian army orders speak of it as an offensive to obtain a decision. It is extremely doubtful whether the enemy weakened his eastern front very much. Much has been said about the paralysis of the Russian military organization, brought about by the revolution. As a matter of fact, however, the revolution came at the best possible time to enable the allies to rush forward the Russian reorganization in time for this year's campaign. The Germans are preparing the popular German mind for the continuance of Russian attacks.

A further decline in the sinkings by submarines is shown in this week's admiralty return of the British shipping department in the past week. The U-boats or the mines which they dropped sank 15 ships of over 1600 tons and five of under that burden. They also sank 11 fishing vessels. The submarines unsuccessfully attacked 16 ships. Last week 21, and the week before 27 large vessels went down before the onset of piracy. The satisfactory slump in the submarine war shows that the enemy cannot maintain his maximum efforts long enough to inflict lasting damage on the merchant fleet and it proves that whoever loses the first big encounter on the sea, as on the land, has no hope of retrieving his fortunes during the course of the war. The first big victory of the British navy was won without the firing of a gun, but it was one of the decisive events in the history of the world.

The speech of Lloyd George, hinting that the allies might consent to make peace with a democratic Germany, has already had its effect on the enemy, for the Conservatives, the hard-shell Prussian squires and nobles, have joined the Socialists in the issuing of a manifesto to the German people and government to demand reform of the franchise, as promised by the chancellor. This prompt half-compliance with the suggestion of Lloyd George shows that the German, ruling class, like the German army, see that Germany can no longer win the war and is going under. Extension of the franchise would, however, not democratize Germany. Only the banishment of the Hohenzollerns, the war material manufacturers, and the noble and ignoble lordings would suffice to convince the world that German popular repentance was real.

A German air raid on Harwich, England, yesterday caused the death of 11 persons and the injury of 38. Of the dozen or so airplanes employed by the enemy, two were destroyed, in British aerial attacks and another was damaged. All the British airmen who went up to engage the enemy returned safely from the fighting.

About the only incident on the Canadian front yesterday was a raid of the Germans. The Canadian guns turned a barrage on the uninvited visitors and speedily made them scurry back to their own dugouts. The artillery fire on this front has become spasmodic and erratic and the Germans in this work show less staying power than the Canadians. Stewart Lyon reports that demoralization is spreading through the German army owing to the British superiority and the growing belief that Germany cannot win the war.

## U.S. ENTRY CHECKS LEAKAGE TO FOES

Lord Milner Admits That  
Germany Has Imported  
Foodstuffs.

## NEUTRALS HELP HUNS

Enemy Still Obtains Some  
Supplies From Adjacent  
Countries.

London, July 4.—Discussing in the House of Lords today the question of commodities reaching enemy countries through neutrals, Viscount Milner, member of the war cabinet, referred to America's entry into the war as considerably checking this leakage. He expressed the conviction that the importation into Germany of commodities from neutral countries, which had previously been imported into neutral countries from overseas, had been completely stopped by the blockade and the pressure the allies had been able to exert on the neutrals. Undoubtedly, there was still considerable export from the neutrals into Germany, but it was entirely the neutrals' own free products.

While the allies were exerting all possible pressure to prevent this export, said Lord Milner, it was impossible to prevent it altogether. Even if it could be stopped altogether tomorrow, it would make less difference to Germany than was commonly supposed, and would have far less effect in tightening the straits of Germany than could be exercised in preventing overseas commodities from reaching Germany through neutral countries.

## BRUGES PORT BOMBED BY BRITISH AVIATORS

Raiders Drop Explosives on Ammunition Depots at Lichtervelde.

London, July 4.—During Monday night and Tuesday morning bombing raids were carried out on the docks of Bruges, Belgium, and on the ammunition depots at Lichtervelde, 18 miles from Bruges, by the Royal Naval Air Service machines, according to an official statement issued today. "Several tons of bombs were dropped in all and good results observed," continues the statement, which says all machines returned safely.

## CONFERENCE ON FOOD

Winnipeg, July 4.—Executive committee of the board of grain supervisors of Canada leave here for Washington Thursday night for conference with the American food administrator and others. From Washington they go to Toronto and Ottawa to receive evidence of bakers and labor interests.

## SOLDIERS NAME CANDIDATE.

Regina, Sask., July 4.—At a largely attended meeting of the Regina and district branch of the Great War Veterans' Association held tonight, the name of Major E. J. Aanton, of the Military Hospitals Commission was unanimously accepted to be suggested to the men overseas as one of Saskatchewan's candidates under the soldier representation bill of last session.

## HOLLWEG TO SPEAK

London, July 4.—Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German imperial chancellor, will deliver an important speech in a report received at Copenhagen from Berlin by the correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company.

## OSHAWA BREEDER TRIUMPHS.

Calgary, Alta., July 4.—L. O. Clifford, of Oshawa, Ont., won four of the two championships at the live stock fair here. The Curtis Co., formerly of Kentucky, but recently moved into Alberta with a large herd, captured four firsts and three championships.

## CHARGED WITH THEFT.

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—On a charge of stealing a bicycle Joe Rosen, 208 John street north, was arrested last night by Detective Shirley J. Denaro. The complainant is Tony Denaro.

## ALLEGED MOTOR THIEF.

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—Alleged to have stolen a motor car Joseph Clario, 414 Victoria street north, was taken into custody last night. J. Ridge is the complainant.

## ARRESTED ON LIQUOR CHARGE.

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—The arrest occurred here last night of T. Derocet, proprietor of 47 Princess street, on a charge of having committed a violation of the Ontario Temperance Act.

## THE MEANEST MAN

"I have spotted another 'meanest man'." It was the fat plumber who spoke, as the Youngstown Telegram relates it, "Who is it this time?" the thin carpenter asked. "Umsen." "What's Umsen been doing?" "He took me to dinner with him in a swell hotel the other evening." "Do you call that mean?" "No, but listen." "I am listening." "When we had finished he took a small piece of tin foil that had covered a little square of cheese." "Uh huh." "Placed it on a silver dollar to get a perfect impression." "And then?" "And then he left the impression on his plate so the waiter would think he was getting a fine tip."

## RAINBOWS.

The time of day or the state of weather when a rainbow appears is believed by many people to be an indication of future weather conditions. According to an old rhyme, a rainbow in the morning warns the shepherds to be prepared for rain shortly; an evening rainbow points to fine weather the next day. Sailors believe that a rainbow in the wind is a sign of continued wet. If it comes in the opposite quarter the rain will soon stop. Again, if in fair weather a rainbow be seen foul weather will speedily set in, but if the bow appears in foul weather fair weather will be at hand.

## MANCHU DYNASTY WILL NOT LAST THREE WEEKS

Military Leaders and Newspapers  
Denounce Restoration, and  
Trouble is Brewing

Tientsin, July 4.—Prominent Chinese here believe that the restoration will not last three weeks. Tuan Chi Jul, the ex-premier, who is still the strongest military leader opposing the restoration, has been promised support by Vice-President General Fong Kwong-chang and the military governor of Shanghai. Although the Chinese are locally displaying the imperial emblem there is no enthusiasm. All the local papers denounce the restoration. Newspapers printed in the vernacular are practically unanimous in denouncing the restoration of the Manchurian dynasty. They predict it will be short-lived, saying the whole country will rise against Emperor Hsun-Tung and General Chang-Hsun.

It is generally believed that the navy will support the republicans, and the local military and civil authorities are also proclaiming the republic and opposing the monarchy, but this may be for the purpose of preserving the peace in Shanghai. It is believed that the restoration's plans are deeply laid and that the military governors are really supporting the restoration.

## ALLIES NEED AID SOON FROM UNITED STATES

Sir William Robertson Addresses  
American Society Banquet.

London, July 4.—Sir William D. Robertson, chief of the imperial staff, Lt. Hon. Arthur Balfour, and Rear-Admiral Dudley de Chair were the principal speakers at the banquet of the American Society tonight, which was the culminating event of the independence day celebration in London. General Robertson emphasized the immediate need of help from the United States. Secretary Balfour spoke respectfully of the separation of the English-speaking peoples 140 years ago today. Admiral de Chair paid tribute to the zeal, energy and helpfulness of the American navy, now in British waters.

## LIEUT. ROWAT KILLED.

Montreal, July 4.—Lieut. Thomas Alexander Rowat, of St. Lambert, Que., was killed in action June 28, according to advices received here today. Lieut. Rowat was a native of Winchester, Ont., son of Rev. Andrew Rowat, of St. Lambert. Previous to his enlistment he was business manager of a Cobalt concern. He left Camp Borden last November with a western unit.

## Bowes, Jamieson and Company

Estate Sold Under Mortgage

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—For the sum of \$100,000 the estate of James Bowes Jamieson & Company was sold under mortgage by Judge Gould yesterday. The estate was valued at \$100,000, and was sold for \$100,000. The estate was sold for \$100,000, and was sold for \$100,000.

## Ten Thousand Dollars Asked for Alleged Malicious Prosecution

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—As the result of being acquitted by Judge Monaghan of a charge of theft of \$100,000, the Hamilton firm of Bowes, Jamieson & Company, is asking for \$10,000 for alleged malicious prosecution. The firm is asking for \$10,000 for alleged malicious prosecution. The firm is asking for \$10,000 for alleged malicious prosecution.

## Motor Car Driver Goes to Trial On Charge Criminal Negligence

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—Harold Hammond, the driver of the motor car which was involved in a collision last week and broke his arm, appeared in court yesterday before Magistrate Jelsa on a charge of criminal negligence. His worship stated that he could not deal with the charge of drunkenness against Hammond, as a higher court had disposed of the first charge.

## Hamilton Works Department Will Exceed Legal Estimates

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—The appropriation of \$500 set aside by the works department for legal expenses will be exceeded by the legal bill incurred by the corporation in the case of the Hamilton Works Department. The legal bill incurred by the corporation in the case of the Hamilton Works Department.

## Walter R. Rollo, of Hamilton, Thinks General Strike a Dream

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—That the plea of J. C. Watters, president of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, calling for a general strike through the country to enforce the conscription of men is a socialistic dream that can never be realized, is the opinion of Walter R. Rollo, president of the Independent Labor Party Ontario.

## Gradmother Brings Action to Recover Soldiers' Insurance

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—Claiming \$500 insurance which the plaintiff alleges she is entitled to through the death of her grandson, Daniel J. Flynn, who was killed in action November 1916, Susan Malone, 3700 St. George street, has commenced action against the city. Two months ago she lost her grandson, and the soldier made a will leaving his personal belongings and estate, including the \$500 insurance, to his grandmother, plaintiff in action. It is also alleged by the plaintiff that the city refused to pay her claim for the \$500 when presented.

## SQUEEZE OTTAWA AND CORNWALL OUT

Ottawa, July 4.—Up to practically midnight the Ottawa Lacrosse Club executive was undecided whether or not to play the Montreal club Saturday night in Montreal with Shamrocks unless a guarantee of a return game is given by the Montreal club. The executive committee tonight reported an attempt was made to get in touch with Joe Lally, but up to 11 o'clock were unsuccessful. One rumor that is in circulation here is that the Shamrocks, Shamrocks and Shamrocks brought about the present N.L.C. crisis for the purpose of squeezing Ottawa and Cornwall out of the league, because they were not big drawing cards.



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## DESTROY GERMAN RAIDING PLANES

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this morning. A number of bombs were dropped and the latest reports state that eight persons were killed and twenty-two injured. Only slight material damage was caused.

"Fire was opened from the anti-aircraft defenses and the enemy's formation was broken up, although the low-flying clouds rendered the visibility very bad. Ten raiders also were engaged by our own aircraft from a neighboring station.

There was a lively fight between British and German airplanes during the attack, and only about five minutes elapsed before the defensive aircraft and the anti-aircraft guns drove off the invaders, according to late despatches.

## SHORT AND SWIFT.

A Town on the Essex Coast, July 4.—The approach of an enemy raiding squadron was made known shortly before 7 o'clock. The morning was dull and heavy, the coast being obscured by a slight mist. Shortly after the warning was given anti-aircraft guns came into action, and almost simultaneously the explosion of bombs in different areas was heard.

Nothing could be seen of the airplanes, the number of which was estimated at about 10. The raid, favored by the weather, succeeded in penetrating inland a little distance and dropped bombs promiscuously. The raid was short and swift.

## BOY'S BODY RECOVERED.

Mitchell, July 4.—The body of the 7-year-old Riddle boy, drowned in the Thames River here last Sunday, was recovered by grapplers late last evening. It was found about 400 feet from the spot where the boy was drowned.

## RETURNED SOLDIERS TO BE INSTRUCTORS

Preparations Under Way at Hamilton to Provide Employment After Conscription.

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—For the purpose of completing arrangements for military courses for the local militia, regiments, 13th and 14th, Lieut. D. D. McLeod, of the headquarters staff, arrived in the city yesterday. Classes of members from both units will be commenced shortly under the supervision of Lieut. McLeod, who will be assisted by Sergt. F. Hamilton, of the school of music, Camp Borden.

Preparations are already under way to provide employment for returned soldiers as instructors, in the event of conscription, and with this object in view three officers have been visiting all the conscription homes during the past few days, interviewing the returned men and just how many will be fit and willing to undertake the work when the time comes. This work is being carried out under the instructions of military headquarters, as General Logie has for some time been a strong advocate of employing returned men to as great an extent as possible and this appears to be the first real opening in this district to employ them in any large numbers.

## Gas Well Having Million Feet Daily Flow Struck in Seneca

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—With a flow of at least 1,000,000 feet of natural gas per day a well has been struck by the National Gas Company on the farm of William Pettigrew, in Seneca Township. Officials of the company are of the opinion that there are prospects of discovering similar wells in the same vicinity and it so the gas troubles of the citizens are practically over. About \$25,000 has been spent in the drilling of the well and it is stated that the company believes that by fall it will be able to carry out the terms of its franchise with the city, which calls for it to supply a minimum of 2,000,000 feet of gas daily.

## Magistrate Jelsa, Hamilton, Gives Opinion on Obtaining Evidence

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—The Hamilton Brewing Association was in court yesterday on a charge of selling lager beer that carried a punch as high as three and one-half per cent. License inspector James Sturday was the complainant and several government men gave evidence. In dismissing the case Magistrate Jelsa stated that the government should perfect its system of obtaining evidence and that every barrel of liquor should be tested on the premises by a government employee before it could be sold over the counter.

## SECOURS NATIONAL HAMILTON TAG DAY

Arrangements Being Made for Big Appeal for French War Sufferers.

Hamilton, Thursday, July 5.—The Secours National yesterday afternoon completed preliminary arrangements for the holding of a tag day on July 14, the occasion of the French national holiday, and the day chosen by the British Red Cross Society to obtain a cash testimony of the empire's regard for France. The amount desired from Hamilton will be decided upon at another meeting.

Sir John Gibson presided, and made an urgent request to those present to put forth their utmost efforts to secure funds for the relief of French war sufferers. George C. Copley and Russell T. Kelly were appointed to arrange for a systematic canvass. E. D. Green was appointed chairman of the publicity committee, and George E. Martin and C. W. Graham, lists committee. C. G. Caracallen and H. Marsh will assist the women.

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