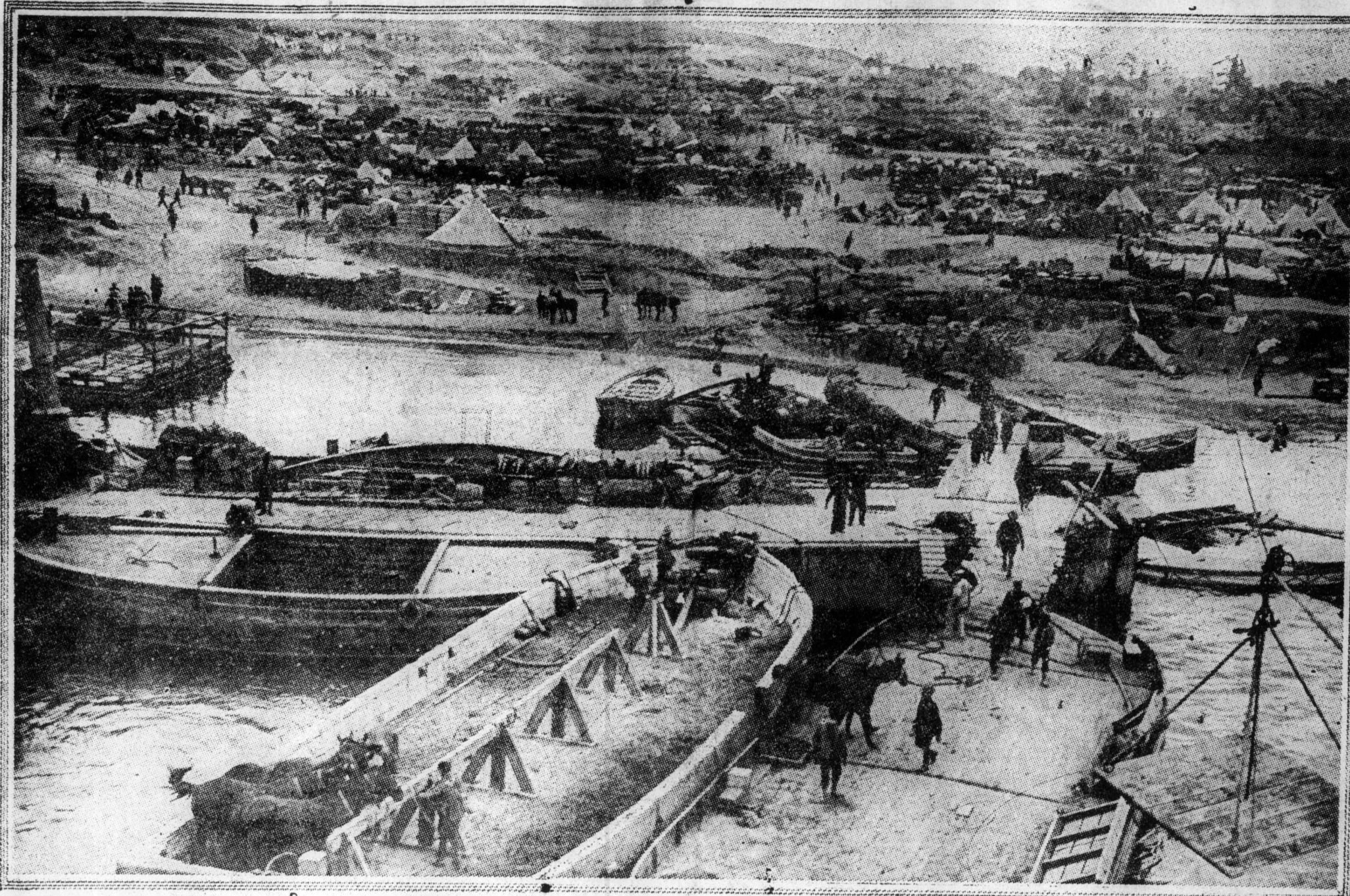


ITALIAN ADVANCE DIFFICULT

Very Heavy Snow Storms and Rains Keep Them Back.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Rome, Italy, via Paris, July 2.—The Italian advance in Tyrol is certainly hindered by the continued bad weather, which is exceptional in mid-summer. The mountaineers do not remember a season when there has been so much snow on the heights on July 2. The mountain streams, which usually are dry at the end of June, are now deep and almost impassable. The Italian troops are encountering snow storms and thick fogs which have interfered with long range firing. Hail storms were beating to-day in the men's faces in parts of Tyrol, where the advance upwards is still in progress. More elaborate Austrian defenses are confronting the invading forces. The Austrian trenches are protected by wide ditches and wire entanglements; at other points they have been dug and covered with branches of trees and earth, with spikes at the bottom. Into these infantry in the course of a charge, are in danger of falling. The Italians, therefore are obliged to advance slowly and with extreme caution. One of the most effective sections of the Italian light troops is comprised of customs guards, whose duty heretofore has been concerned with mountain smugglers. These guards are now being utilized as scouts and many of their exploits are being related along the front, some of them even being mentioned in the orders of the day. On one occasion, when these guards crawled close to the Austrian outposts and came into possession of information of great value to the Italian commanders. All of them refused rewards for this service.

THE LANDING WHEN THE RIVER CLYDE WAS RUN AGROUND ON THE GALLIOLI PENINSULA



The landing of the British troops on "V" beach of the Gallipoli Peninsula will ever remain memorable for the novel experiment of deliberately running ashore a vessel full of troops and thus allowing them to approach close in under cover without being exposed. The large collier River Clyde, with 2,200 troops on board, was run aground in the early morning of April 25 as the foremost of a chain of lighters, which had been towed ashore alongside her by a steam hopper simultaneously and brought into position so as to form a bridge between the ship and the shore. Across these the troops ran to the beach, or at least to a point where they could jump into shallow water and wade ashore. In a very short time a veritable town had sprung up on shore. Tents of all descriptions were run up and horse lines were constructed. At night this southern end of Gallipoli, which was formerly so deserted and barren, has now the appearance of being one of the world's greatest ports.

THRIFT MUCH URGED

School Children of Britain Have it Taught to Them.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, July 2.—A campaign to promote thrift among British school children, similar to the movement already established in Germany, is to be inaugurated by teachers in the elementary schools by direction of the Board of Education. According to the circular issued by the Board the facilities for saving are to be provided and pupils are to be told of desirability of subscribing to the war loan. Teachers should make clear, says the circular, "that everyone who can save even so small a sum as five shillings has an opportunity of contributing to the loan." Reginald McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, speaking at a meeting last night to urge economy to promote the loan said: "The people of this country have got to learn that in our present circumstances parsimony becomes the highest virtue; a lump of sugar not consumed, bread which is not wasted and a cigar or cigarette not smoked means so much less imported foreign goods which we can pay for only by sending gold out of the country or borrowing it. We must economize if we are to endure."

MYSTERIOUS TRAGEDY IN HAMILTON

Dr. Harvey Williams Shot—Murderer Commits Suicide.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Hamilton, Ont., July 2.—Shockingly before 1 o'clock to-day, a man named Holmes walked into the office of Dr. Harvey Williams and fired five shots at him. Holmes then shot himself. Both men are dead. Dr. Williams was taking the practice of Dr. Victor Ross, who is at present staying at Gravenhurst. Hamilton, Ont., July 2.—Hedge wood Holmes, who is believed to be a resident of Gravenhurst, to-day shot and killed Dr. Harvey Williams and immediately turned the weapon on himself with fatal results. The motive for the tragedy is still a mystery. Williams had only been in charge of the practice of Dr. Victor Ross, dentist, who is in the north country. Holmes called at the office early this morning, but the doctor was out. He told the young lady in charge that three of his brothers had come to war, and that he would have been there himself if he had not been afflicted with consumption. When he returned the doctor was still out. He sat down to wait and chatted pleasantly for a few minutes with the girl in the office, showing no emotion. The young lady left and a few minutes later the doctor entered. "Hello Abbie," said Williams. "Hello, doc," came the response. The pair entered the surgery and closed the door. Fifteen minutes after five shots rang out, and the occupants of the house entering the room, found both men unconscious on the floor. Many Ontario towns held celebration of the Dominion birthday anniversary. The Montreal Tramways agreement is held up pending the injunction decision. Roy Young of Guelph died from injuries received by being struck by a street car. CONSERVATIVE MEETING A meeting of the Conservatives of the Township of Brantford will be held at the Conservative Rooms, old Temple building, corner of Dalhousie and King streets, Saturday, at 1:30 p.m., for the purpose of electing a chairman and sub-chairmen. All Conservatives welcome. N. D. NEILL, Secy.

NOTHING SAID TO INDICATE STATUS OF THE ARMENIAN

British Press Refers to Ship as a Transport—Opinions are That Whatever Her Status, German Submarines Committed Illegal Act in Sinking.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, July 2.—Except in despatches from the United States, in which the steamship Armenia is described as a transport, there is nothing in the British press to indicate the status of the vessel. Stress is laid upon the fact that she is the largest of the Lusitania class, and that she was attacked by a German submarine. The contention of the few morning papers which discuss the question editorially is that, whatever the nature of her cargo, the Germans were not justified in sinking her. The Chronicle argues editorially that the commander of the Armenia disregarded the signals to stop, because he knew he would not be treated in accordance with international law, but that his ship would be illegally sunk and the crew cast adrift in open boats fifty miles from land. The paper contends that he was justified therefore, in running away and that the responsibility for the deaths which resulted from this course cannot be laid at his door. "The dead Americans," says the Chronicle, "are just as much victims of Germany's illegal submarine warfare as if they had been drowned after the ship was torpedoed, and no word would be said to shirk the issues their deaths raise." The Daily News considers the sinking of the Armenian as a very pre-emptive task force of President Wilson and Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German chancellor, assuming that the latter really desires to preserve peace with America. Discussing the question in an editorial, the News says: "Germany has not yet replied to the American note, in practice the sinking of the Armenian is a very pre-emptive reply. The incident brings into thorough relief the justice of President Wilson's contention that submarine warfare as the Germans practice it, is inconsistent with the observance of the rights of neutrals." The Express takes the view that the incident constitutes a cynical reply by Germany to America, but infers that nothing will result from it. The Standard assumes that the Armenian's cargo must have been examined by United States customs officials, but says whether this was so or not there was no warrant for the proceedings of the German commander. The editorial continues: "He ought to have stopped and searched her, but if he took the extreme course of destroying her at sea, he was bound to provide for the safety of the crew, as the last American note emphatically declared. The captain seems to have taken pains to commit all the acts against which President Wilson has solemnly protested. This outrage in principle is quite as bad as the sinking of the Lusitania, and has a peculiar insolence in being committed while the American demands remain unanswered."

Officially Gazetted

London, Eng., July 1—Major M. A. Colquhoun of the 38th Dufferin Rifles, Brantford, has been officially gazetted as now in command of the 4th Battalion with Lieut. F. W. Miller of the same regiment as adjutant.

RECRUITING HAS OPENED AT ARMORIES

Many Rejected, But Will Have Repairs Made and Try Again. Recruiting has so far opened up rather slowly for the quota expected to be raised by the 38th Dufferin Rifles of this city. It is interesting to note that so far over 400 men have been rejected for minor injuries, in many cases that could be rectified by very slight medical attention. Many think that if the government would stand good for such minor operations many useful men would be given for their country's service. On Wednesday night only one man, W. R. Parker of Paris enrolled, and, indeed, he was the only visitor to the recruiting officer during the evening. There was a somewhat greater number appeared last night, many from the country, but as usual of seven men who tried to pass Dr. Palmer, he had perforce to reject five, thus leaving two out of seven fit to pass the stringent medical tests. They are all determined to go and some dental operations will be necessary. RECRUITING CAMPAIGN. It may be found necessary to bring the need for men home to citizens by a properly conducted campaign such as is being conducted in Toronto and the matter is receiving the consideration of the staff. In Toronto a special appeal was made to the native born on Dominion Day, the question asked being: "Will you sit in the bleachers while other men settle the affairs of the world?" The campaign according to this morning's papers only resulted in "Eleven Recruits," therefore, the bleachers won't be deserted down there yet awhile. A determined naval attack by the Germans in the Baltic Sea was repulsed by the Russians.

GERMANS MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO GET WARSAW

Further Successes are Claimed in Galicia While Von Mackensen is Pushing Steadily Between Bug and Vistula.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, July 2.—Evidently bent upon a decisive victory against the Russians, the Germans are not yet sending troops to the western front, but, assisted by their Austrian allies, are making every effort to capture the Russian Poland capital, Warsaw. Berlin claims further advances by the great Austro-German armies in Galicia, while Field-Marshal Von Mackensen is pushing steadily ahead between the Vistula and Bug Rivers. Artillery activity continues unabated in the Arras region of France, but it is scarcely possible that so many thousands of shells are being fired without so much objective. In the Argonne region the Germans on June 30 gained some ground, though at the expense of heavy losses. A further report regarding the Dardanelles operations claims that the colonial troops have not been checked in their efforts to advance, but that they have been used merely to keep the Turkish on their front too busy to send reserves to that portion of the field, where the Anglo-French troops have made an advance of 1,000 yards. The London morning newspapers generally print editorials on the sinking of the Steamship Armenian by a German submarine. The gist of them is that relations between the United States and Germany are bound to be further strained by the latest of German submarine exploits. The editorials, however, evidently were written before the status of the Leyland Liner had been settled. Amsterdam is responsible for the report that a Zeppelin dirigible balloon was accidentally destroyed by an explosion to-day when leaving its shed at Brussels. During the month of June ninety-eight British ships aggregating slightly more than 39,000 tons were sunk by submarines or mines with the loss of all lives.

ONE KILLED AND ONE WOUNDED

Oakland Lad Dies at the Front—Trooper Beal Wounded.

Word was received in Brantford late on Wednesday that Lance Corp. Leigh Ransom Smith of Oakland had been killed in action at the front. He was a member of the third Ontarios. Smith is the son of Lyman L. Smith of Oakland, and when the war broke out, was in the west and joined the 101st Edmonton Fusiliers, but later transferred to the 3rd (Toronto) Battalion. TROOPER BEALS WOUNDED Word was received in the city to-day from the base in France on an army post card from Trooper Tom Beals of the Canadian Mounted Rifles that he had been wounded. Previously word was received that he had been killed, so that to-day's news is contradictory if correct. Beals is an Englishman by birth, who served in the 25th Brant Dragoons here for some time. He volunteered with the first contingent and has lately since been on duty in the trenches. He has no relatives in this district. PTE. A. E. CULLUM. In a letter from the Duchess of Westminster Hospital in France, dated June 14th, Pte. A. E. Cullum writes his family in Paris, that he is progressing from his serious wound, but somewhat slowly. It was on Sunday, May 3th, at 9 a.m., that he was shot, the bullet striking him under the left shoulder and travelling down. The doctors have removed it and Cullum now has it as a memento. He expected to be moved to a hospital in England in about a week from date.

DESTROYER MINED OR HIT BY A SUB.

London, July 2.—The Admiralty announced last night that the British destroyer Lightning encountered a mine or was torpedoed off the east coast of England Wednesday night, and that one of her crew was killed, while fourteen are missing. The vessel succeeded in reaching harbor safely. The Lightning is an old boat, dating from 1893. She has a displacement of 290 tons and carries one 12-pounder, five six-pounders and two 18-inch torpedo tubes. The Admiralty announcement says: "H.M.S. Lightning was damaged Wednesday night off the east coast by a mine or a torpedo explosion. She is now in harbor. "One of her crew is reported dead and fourteen missing." Extra officials have been put on the Niagara boats to watch for undesirables entering Canada.

SIXTH BRANT COUNTY ANNUAL TOURNAMENT FOR LAWN BOWLERS

Table with 2 columns: Player Name and Score. Includes names like R. Inksater, J. Leinster, D. Thorburn, etc. and scores for various rounds.