NORFOLK NEWS

FISHER'S GLEN IS POPULAR RESORT

Big Summer Population is There—Lt. Diamond Near Home

OTHER SIMCOE NEWS

(From our own Correspondent)

Simcoe, Aug. 2.—Up to the present, Fisher's Glen has been proof against the inroads of social conventionality's dictates among folk in cottages by the lakeside. For this reason it is a cherished retreat for a season of real rest. The guests return from year to year like the swallows or the blue bird in "When Albani Sang." Here are the names of some recent guests:

From Brantford: Mrs. Coulson, Misses Norma and Hazel Coulson, Miss Verity, Misses Madeline and Grace Jealous, Miss Leigh, Master Lloyd Mulligan, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Sage, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sage, Miss Margaret Sage, Mrs. Markle, Mr. Gordon Sage, Mr. Leonard Joyce.

From Hamilton: Mrs. Mitchell and son Otis, Mrs. Stephen, Miss Mary Stephen, Mrs. Kingsland and three children, Mrs. Hallam, Mrs. Mosier, Miss Grace Hallam, Master Ralph Hallem, Miss Caroline Mosier.

Miss Margaret Dawson and Miss Isobel Leskie are guests of Mrs. Dawson at Glen Brae Cottage.

Mr. Fred Rutherford, of Hamilton, spent Sunday with his family in Glenholm cottage.

Mr Fred Sweet motored over with Mr. Rutherford for the week-end.

Mr. Allan of Glen Echo Cottage, spent Monday and Tuesday in Hamilton.

Mr. George Dawson of Niagara Falls, spent the week-end with his family.

The entire telephone service to all these people at Fisher's Glen is one rural line with enough ordinary subscribers to keep the wire hot. At times, there are no less than sixteen phones on this line, it has been suggested that the Norfolk county telephone company might use up a moiety of their much advertised surplus in the running of another circuit down that way to give the residents what they pay for having the name of—a telephone service.

Collector Likes the Change.

Mr. Chas. Cross expresses himself as well pleased with the new order of things, whereby taxes are all paid to him as collector rather than having some paid at the bank. The new arrangement saves a deal of checking and comparing and makes the work much more easily handled. The bank, like "Michael's" son, was "something between a hindrance and a help."

May Come In To-day.

Lieut. Edward Henry Diamond called up from an Atlantic port yesterday to say he is nearing home. Diamond was a member of the 39th Militia Regiment in other years, but when the call for a Norfolk regiment was sounded he heard it on the Western prairie, left his farm and ranch and wiring, "I'm coming," hurried home to report for service, and he stuck to it through thick and thin, till we believe he is pretty well out of the going for trench work.

Press Photographs.

Mrs. S. F. Sharp and daughter, Margaret, recently of Exeter, reached Simcoe yesterday and will reside with the former's parents, Rev. and Mrs. P. Nicol, Kent street north.

J. H. Bowden and O. Youmans spent a few days tenting at Turkey Point.

Mr. L. L. Daniels of Lyndonville, N.Y., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bowden.

Odd Ends of News.

The bloom is going off the chestnut trees about two weeks later than usual, and many of the walnut trees are not bearing this year.

The S.O.S. games did not materialize yesterday afternoon.

Returning from Dover last night Ernest Haskett stepped off the trolley before it had stopped and falling on the gravel ballast was pretty well scratched up about the hands and face. His abrasions were dressed at Dr. McGilvery's office before he went home.

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CANADIAN CASUALTIES

By Courier Leased Wire

Ottawa, Ont, Aug. 2.—In to-day's list of 120 casualties, 7 Canadians are reported killed in action, 3 died of wounds, 1 died, 3 prisoners of war, 2 missing, 13 presumed to have died, 32 wounded, 56 gassed and 3 ill. The list for Western Ontario:

Killed in Action: Infantry: G. Nevils, Cookstown, Ont. Presumed to have died: T Samkins, 151 Homewood avenue, Hamilton. Wounded: S. Pullon, Mitchell; F. Cooke, Point Edward; G. D. Landers, Stratford; J. W. Hawes, Burlington; W. C. Leslie, Dundas; F. S. Wilkinson, Bronte. Gassed: R. A. Atchison, Hepworth, Ont.; F. Bannister, Walkerton.

Railway Troops: Wounded: F. Winter, Simcoe, Ont.

WORKERS WIN OUT.

By Courier Leased Wire

Bethlehem, Pa., Aug. 2.—The National War Labor Board has decided all the questions at issue between the Bethlehem Steel Co. and its employes, which recently resulted in a strike and lockout, in favor of the workers, according to a report received from W. J. Lock. In the hearings the workers agreed to abide by the findings of the board.

SEEKS DECREE

By Courier Leased Wire

Pittsburg, Mass., Aug. 2.—Chas. S. Mellen, former president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railway, has filed a petition asking for a decree of separation and living apart from his wife, Katharine L. Mellen. She is to contest the case.

See both games of ball to-morrow at Agricultural Park. Verity's and Pratt and Letchworth will decide the leadership of the league. Motor Trucks and Cordage will play for third place.

BRITISH CREDIT OF $3,500,000,000

Asked by Mr. Bonar Law to Carry on War to the End of October

London, Aug. 2.—The House of Commons adopted the vote of credit introducted yesterday unanimously.

London, Aug. 2.—In asking for a vote of credit of £700,000,000, in the House of Commons yesterday, Andrew Bonar Law, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, said that the largeness of the amount was not due to increased expenditure, but to the fact that Parliament was about to adjourn. He hoped, he said, that not more than one more vote would be necessary before the end of the fiscal year.

The vote asked is the largest in the history of the country. It is intended for the carrying on of the war to the end of October.

The Chancellor said the expenditure on the army showed an increase of £8,000,000 over the estimates. Loans to the Allies and the Dominions had been less than the estimates by £22,700,000.

Analyzing the expenditure under the various heads, the Chancellor explained that the increase of £8,000,000 in the army expenditure was due to the fact that the strength of the army was greater than at the time the Budget estimate was framed.

Regarding loans to the allies and the Dominions, Mr Bonar Law said the debt due Great Britain at the end of the last financial year was £1,332,000,000 from the allies, and £194,000,000 from the Dominions. The debt due from the allies now, he added had reached a total of £1,402,000,000, and from the Dominions £208,500,000.

The amount that had been loaned to Russia was £568,000,000, the speaker said, while to France £420,000,000 had been lent, to Italy £313,000,000 and to Belgium, Greece and smaller nations £119,000,000.

Mr. Bonar Law said that in 1916 Great Britain had agreed to give to the Italian Exchequer a monthly credit to be used to help Italian exchange. A similar contribution, the Chancellor added, was being made by America, and France also would help.

The rate of interest charged, Mr. Bonar Law said, was 5 per cent., which was below the rate which the Government was paying.

Mr Bonar Law estimated that the last vote would carry on until the end of August, that the estimate would be realized, and the balance would probably last until the first week of September.

Over-spending on Army

Taking the period from April 1 to July 30, there had been underspending to the amount of £21,500,000 on the four fighting services; there had been underspending on shipbuilding, due to the need of taking men from shipyards for the army; there had been overspending on the army, due to the fact that the ration strength was higher than had been anticipated.

"I should like to make reference to the assistance given to Italy," said the Chancellor, "because the German Government has spared no effort to create the impression that Italy is being utilized and exploited by all the alliance, especially Great Britain. In 1916 Great Britain agreed to give to the Italian Exchequer a monthly credit to be used to help Italian exchange. A similar contribution is being made by America, and France will also help. These efforts have already met with success.

Loan to Italy

"Besides, Britain has advanced to Italy £313,000,000, all paid in gold. This has enabled Britain to supply the Italian Government with munitions and equipment for the army, and food and other articles for the civil population. The rate of interest charged is 5 per cent., which is below the rate the Government is paying.

Mr. Bonar Law referred with satisfaction to the favorable food situation, and the great success of the continuous borrowing system by means of sales of war bonds, etc., which, during the last nine months amounted to more than £993,000,000, or nearly 50 per cent. more than in the corresponding period of last year. These results had been far beyond his expectations.

JOINT ACTION.

By Courier Leased Wire

Washington, Aug. 2.—Joint action between Japan, the Entente powers and America in Siberia, is assured.

Japan has found acceptable the American proposal which primarily looks to the aid of the Czecho-Slovaks, now operating in Siberia, and after exchanges between Tokio and Washington, which have cleared up all doubtful points and removed any possibility of a misunderstanding, a complete understanding has been reached. The plan of operating will be put into execution at once.

EX-CONTROLLER DEAD.

By Courier Leased Wire.

Montreal, Aug. 2.—Dr. E. P. Lachapelle, Ex-Controller of the city, died yesterday at Rochester, Minn., whither he had gone for treatment at the hospital of the Mayo Bros.

The late Dr. Lachappelle, who was 73 years of age, was a man of eminent professional standing. He was practically the founder of Notre Dame Hospital, the Dean of Laval Medical Faculty, President of the Provincial Board of Health and Presiednt of the Dominion Medical Council.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST AUSTRIAN EMPRESS

Hundreds of Thousands of Leaflets Abusing Her are Circulated

London, Aug 1—Fuller details regarding the attacks made in Vienna on the reputation of Empress Zita have been received in Zurich, a despatch from three reports.

Immediately after the failure of the Austrian offensive against Italy a report was assiduously circulated, not only in Vienna, but in all the German-speaking provinces of Austria, that Empress Zita, who by birth is a princess of the House of Parma, had betrayed the date of the Austrian attack to Italy through her mother, the Dowager Duchess of Parma.

An anonymous leaflet, which did not bear the name of the printer, was distributed secretly in Vienna, Innsbruck and many other Austrian towns. Altogether several hundred thousand copies of this sheet must have been circulated.

Amongst other abusive attacks on Empress Zita is the following:

"Empress Zita is an Italian and as an Italian she betrayed us to the Italians. Empress Zita is nothing more and nothing less than an agent of Italy, France, England and America.'

A few days later reports were circulated that the mother and sisters of Empress Zita are all alien enemies who are maintained in luxurious magnificence at the expense of the Austrian people.

By German Agents

Private letters from Vienna say it is well-known there that all this written and verbal abuse of Empress Zita was circulated by agents of the German Government.

The German idea is that on one or two occasions Empress Zita has shown some slight tendency to become restive under the heavy hand of German control and to resist in some measure the absolute domination of her court by Berlin influences. These occasional indications of dissatisfaction with her husband's humiliating position as a vassal of the German emperor, feeble as they were, nevertheless, will suffice to bring down upon her the wrath of Potsdam, hence the attacks on her so systematically circulated in Austria.

The German campaign against Empress Zitta is meant as a salutary reminder to Emperor Charles of the value of his German ally's loyalty.

SITUATION TO-DAY

By the Associated Press.

Crushing in the German lines north of the Ourcq river, the Allies on Thursday carried their front to the northeast from their former positions between Hartennes and Fere-En-Tardenois.

The exact location of the new line is not given in the early despatches from the battlefield, but it is said that the Allies have established themselves on the ridges between the Ourcq and the Aisne and dominate the whole western section of the battle area.

The attack was made over a front of about three miles and penetrated to an extreme depth of three miles from the line. The Allies are within five miles of Bazeches, an important German railroad centre on the Vesle River which agrees quite closely with this morning's report of the advance to northeast, the approximate centre of the attack.

Further east and south, the Allies have captured the village of Cierges after a sanguinary struggle.

In the center of the line important progress is shown in reports from the front. Goussancourt has been captured and the northern edges of Meunlere Wood has been cleared of Germans. This marks an advance of a mile and three quarters. Nothing is said of the fate of the Germans at St. Gemme, at the tip of the salient, but it is to be assumed that they have retreated from their perilous positions.

Further toward Rheims, the important town of Ville-En-Tardenois has been encircled by the Allies, it is reported. The despatch would seem to indicate that the German defenders of the place have been surrounded by the Allies.

The view taken in these despatches is that the advance on Thursday was the turning point of the campaign and possibility of the whole war.

While the detailed reports so far received in this country have not shown the ground for this view, it seems clear, at any rate, that the German retreat, which has been proceeding slowly, must now be hurried if the enemy is to escape a terrible pounding from the Allies heavy guns. The advance of the Allies to within easy cannon range of Fismes, the German base on the Vesle will tend to disarrange all plans the enemy may have formed to hold his opponents at bay until the defences along the Vesle could be thoroughly organized.

Along the British front there have been raiding operations, with German artillery active in various sectors.

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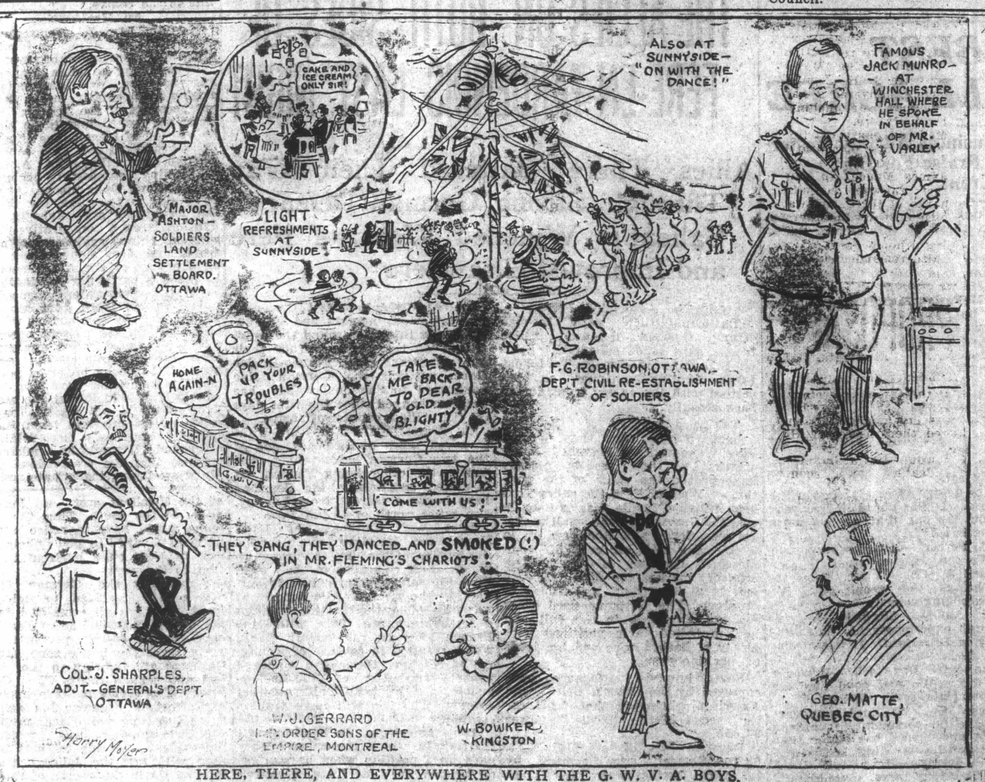

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