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GENERAL STAFF OF GERMAN DIVISION MADE PRISONERS

GERMAN RIGHT FLANK HAS BEEN TURNED

General Von Kluck's Army in Danger of Being Cut Off—Must Either Retire or Be Encircled by Superior Forces.

SUCCESSFUL AIRSHIP RAID.

ANTWERP, Sept. 23.—A successful raid by a squadron of five English aviators on the German aviation camp at Bickendorf, near Cologne is reported by the Handelsblad. Bickendorf is the centre for the Zeppelin air craft, and according to the story the Britishers from a height of 1500 feet dropped bombs that set fire to the hangars. Four of the five aviators returned to the point of their departure, while the fifth was obliged to descend owing to engine trouble. He succeeded, however, in landing in Belgium.

BATTLE OF THE AISNE REACHING DECISIVE STAGE.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The Times Amiens correspondent telegraphs that heavy fighting is in progress not many miles south-east of Amiens. He says it is the beginning of a decisive phase of the battle of the Aisne. Upon the issue of this fighting depends the continued occupation of French soil by the German invaders or of their retreat to strongly entrenched positions which have been prepared for them on the Sambre.

GERMANY'S CASUALTY LIST OVER 60,000.

BERLIN, Sept. 23.—The casualty list published to-day shows the death of two generals, von Wrophenen and von Arbon. Major Gen. von Thortha is also given as killed.

Among the slightly wounded are two Lieut-Generals, von Willisen and von Keulen.

The list containing 5,395 names give names and dates of the battle for the first time.

The losses so far published aggregates 10,086 dead, 39,760 wounded and 13,621 missing.

AUSTRIA PREPARING TO INVADE ITALY.

ROME, Sept. 23.—In spite of denials to the contrary made by the Austrian government, newspapers here publish detailed descriptions purporting to show that Austrian armaments are being placed on the Italian frontier and declare that preparations are being made by Austria to invade Italy.

GEN. VON KLUCK IN DANGER OF BEING CUT OFF.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The French War Office to-day made the positive declaration that the flank of the German right wing had been turned and that von Kluck's army is in danger of being cut off. It is stated that while reinforcements are being rushed to von Kluck's rescue from Belgium they will not be able to prevent the German right wing being encircled and forced either to retreat in haste toward Belgium or to meet an attack from all sides by an army of vastly superior force. There has been no change in the past two or three days in the battle lines along the main front. On the Allies' right between the Argonne and Metz the Germans have delivered an attack over sloping ground in an attempt to crush the fort of Troyon, south of Verdun, and thus break the chain of forts between Verdun and Toul.

GENERAL STAFF TAKEN PRISONERS.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—The Daily Mail's correspondent says that on Sunday the entire general staff of one German division were brought prisoners to Amiens.

GERMAN SOLDIERS SACRIFICED WITHOUT REASON.

PARIS, Sept. 23.—Wounded soldiers arriving here from the region of Craonne describe the battle there on Sunday and Monday as having been deadly for the Germans who they say were sacrificed without apparent reason by their officers.

One entire regiment it is declared was wiped out and when the French took possession of the field they found 1,000 wounded left by the Germans. The German losses in this engagement alone it is estimated amounted to 5,000.

WEATHER EXCESSIVELY COLD.

PARIS, Sept. 23.—The weather continues cold for this season of the year and is causing much anxiety for the comfort of the soldiers in the trenches and camps. Associations are being formed to hasten the manufacture of heavy knit garments and sleeping sacks similar to those used by arctic explorers for use by the troops at the front.

TWO AUSTRIAN CRUISERS DAMAGED.

LONDON, Sept. 23.—A despatch from Rome says, travelers arriving from Sebenico in Dalmatia declare the Austrian cruisers Maria Theresa and Admiral Staua, have put into port badly damaged.

ENTIRE GERMAN REGIMENT WIPED OUT.

COL. PONTON AT KINGSTON

His Address at Patriotic Gathering Was Roudly Praised

On Monday evening, Lt.-Col. Ponton was in Kingston and was one of the speakers at an enthusiastic meeting of citizens under the auspices of the Canadian Patriotic Fund. The following account of his address appears in the Kingston press.

"To choose any portion of Col. Ponton's able speech, or to single out any of the many outstanding features of his short but able utterances would be folly. Known far and wide as an able and pleasant speaker, Col. Ponton's speech last night was far and away ahead of anything Kingstonians had ever heard from him. The time, the theme, and his well-known patriotism seemed to have taken the Colonel away from himself, and made a different man, and time after time the immense audience applauded his patriotic utterances. His remarks touched a responsive chord in the heart of each of his hearers, and the audience went away from the hall much the better and the more loyal, if that were possible, for a Kingston audience, for hearing his remarks.

"In his opening words Col. Ponton paid a warm tribute to the ladies and their work in the various societies in which they were identified. He pointed out that their free giving of comforts and their thoughtfulness for the needs of the men who had gone to the front meant much for them and was a source of inspiration for them. Canada would pay her debt to the motherland, not with our contingent, but with another and another if necessary. The debt will be paid with interest," he declared and applause. "Canada will take her place with not 20,000 but with 100,000 men if it is necessary, and again the hall rang with applause. This will probably be called for in the next three weeks."

"Kingstonians cannot forget that patriotic utterance of her greatest son, a British subject, I was born, a British subject I will die, and yet not therefore be untrue to the highest ambitions of loyalty and patriotism. A week ago we thought we would win, to-day we know we shall win, for there are certain things which may be called the great right hand of the British Empire."

The speaker referred to the debt which Europe owed to "Little Belgium."

"Many cannot restore to the two Belgian boys their hands which were chopped off by the brutal rapacity of the German hordes, nor can I restore life to the Belgian nurse who was shot down in the discharge of her humane work; money cannot restore those beautiful temples of God but money can relieve to some extent the woe and the suffering which has visited those of our race who have fallen a prey to the over-reaching pride of the Kaiser. For this reason we should be generous in discharging our obligations."

"Germany waits Canada," said the speaker.

A voice: "She will never get it," and again applause rang throughout the hall.

Continuing Col. Ponton stated that this was not a war against war, but was a war for peace and he explained this by saying that after the close of this war there would be peace for many years in Europe, for the reason that there would be no one to disturb that peace after the German Empire had been disposed of.

September was an important month in the annals of the British Empire from the number of historic events which have happened in that month. The battles of the Alma, of Sebastopol, of Malpaquet; the siege of Delhi, and the relief of Lucknow were mentioned. In that month, too, England's greatest hero died—the immortal Duke of Wellington, and also in that a Canadian won undying fame in the Indian mutiny, Sir John Inglis.

Col. Ponton closed with an eloquent appeal for a fervent expression of loyalty on the part of citizens in contributing generously to the patriotic fund, and at the close of his remarks was tendered a warm ovation by a grateful assemblage.

Volunteers Gain Weight

Cards received from some of the Belleville volunteers at Valcartier, show that they are eating well and regards meals. One young man writes that he has gained eight pounds in weight.

Horses Slipped

Some drivers of horses are experiencing surprises on the wet pavement on Front and Bridge streets today. Some horses missed their footing. Drivers will naturally gradually grow accustomed to the exercise of greater care on the asphalt pavement.

DO NOT BUY GOODS MADE IN GERMANY

Ontario Starts Campaign to Purchase Articles Made in the Empire.

The following hanger which is being circulated in thousands throughout the west shows how Ontario is endeavoring to foster the industrial trade of the Dominion and Empire.

HALT!
We have in
THE PAST
Bought too many articles
MADE IN GERMANY

By doing so we have helped to furnish our enemies with the sinews of war and have deprived Canadian and British workmen of the chance of labor.

Let us this day resolve that in the future our purchases be of goods made within the Empire.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

SPEAKERS AND THEIR SUBJECTS FOR THE COMING SEASON.

The Canadian Club have already booked the following speakers for the coming fall and winter. The Club is to be congratulated on securing such a strong program. Doubtless it will attract many men to the membership of the club.

"Modern Conditions in Canadian Industry and Commerce"—Oct. 15th—Adam Shortt, C.M.G., Toronto.

"Technical Education"—J. W. Robertson, Ottawa.

"Grumblers and Growlers"—W. Douglas, K.C., Toronto.

"Influence of War on Canadian Education"—J. L. Hughes, Toronto.

"The Community and its Health Laws"—Dr. McCullough, Toronto.

"Socializing Influences to be exerted in the Community"—Dr. Shearer, Toronto.

"The Evolutions in our Canadian West"—Chancellor McCrimmon, L.L.D., Toronto.

DR. ROBINSON'S CASE.

Charge May be Reduced From Murder to That of Manslaughter.

Napanee, Sept. 22.—The trial of Dr. C. K. Robinson accused of causing the death of Blanche Yorke at Tamworth was on the card to-day before Judge Kelly and the grand jury. The accused is defended by Mr. Herrington of Napanee, acting for Robinson's counsel, Mr. T. C. Robinsons of Toronto, while the crown prosecutor is J. O. Hutchison, of Brockville.

Last week Mr. Justice Latchford refused the application by Mr. Robinson for bail and it is stated on the authority of Mr. Herrington that bail will not be asked to-day. It is possible that after today's hearing the charge of murder may be reduced to manslaughter, the trial to take place at the spring assizes.

A brother of Miss Yorke's has arrived from Saskatchewan.

SWEATER COATS FOR TROOPS

Every Man to Get One—Women's Patriotic League Busy Investigating Needs of Men at Valcartier—Comforts for All

Valcartier Camp, Que., Sept. 22.—"Every man will positively get a coat. Already one of the thirty thousand ordered have arrived. Those who do not get them now will receive them in England," declared Col. Hallick at the head office of the Ordnance Department here, when asked as to the rumor that these garments would not be furnished by the Government.

"We will also give out winter gloves, caps and extra boots," added he.

Col. Hallick expressed himself delighted in every way with the equipment and declared everything had been found of first-class material and workmanship. As for the boots, he said only two more ones returned out of the 40,000 issued.

AIRSHIPS SEEN AT BROCKVILLE

Considerable excitement prevailed about town last night over the airship scare. Red lights were plainly discernible, but the Recorder learned to-day that the family of a Montreal resident, who were closing their cottage on the front road east and returning to the Metropolis to-day had sent a number of toy balloons into the air some of which had drifted west of the town—Recorder.

ENJOYING CAMP LIFE AT VALCARTIER

Letter From Pat Yeomans Describes Life in the Great Military Camp at Valcartier.

Mr. Milburn of the teaching staff of Belleville High School has received the following excellent descriptive letter from his former pupil, Horace E. ("Pat") Yeomans and has kindly handed it to The Ontario for publication.

Dear Mr. Milburn,—
We received your postcard the other day but this is the first chance since, that I have had to answer it. It was certainly most welcome as we receive very little mail here and are away behind in our news.

It is certainly a great camp here. By now the men have gotten settled down and work of every kind is getting to become more systematized and things run more easily.

Our work is hard and there is lots of it but the men go into everything with a laugh or a smile for they expected hard work when they volunteered for service.

Water and electric service is being extended all over the whole camp and there are now lines of electric lights along every road-side and water-taps and shower baths stick up all over. It is a great sight to see the camp at night from an elevation; the lines of lights, the glares of bonfires and the automobiles and motor trucks flashing up and down form quite a picture. In about the center of the camp there is a row of stores, in fact two rows, one on either side of the road where anything may be bought, and where the trade done would rival that of a good-sized city. All this has grown up where a month and a half ago there was nothing but miles and miles of heavy underbrush.

We do not know when we are going and cannot tell as they are keeping it secret, but I think it will be within a week. You will probably know almost as soon as I do.

Well, remember me to the other teachers if you will be so good and write again if possible.

I remain your friend and pupil,
Horace E. Yeomans

MR. ELMER LUCK IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS

Rev. Mr. Egan, Front street north, has just received word indirectly from his son-in-law, Mr. Elmer Luck who was a student at Leipzig university, Germany, at the time of the outbreak of war.

The matter was taken up with Rt. Hon. Sir R. L. Borden, who has been pursuing inquiries through the high commissioner's office at London. Mr. Purley, acting high commissioner reports that he met a lady who had come from Leipzig and she had seen Mr. Luck. She said that he was in great financial distress and wanted \$5,000.

Efforts have been made to get the money through but it is not known whether success has been achieved or not.

Mr. Luck is a graduate of Albert college and of Toronto university. He has been pursuing post-graduate work at Leipzig the last two years. Some months ago his wife (Mrs. Egan's daughter) passed away leaving Mr. Luck with the care and responsibility of two young children. Naturally his friends on this side are extremely anxious until definite word shall have received of his, and his children's safety.

Italian in Trouble

An Italian named Francesco Dalago was arrested under peculiar circumstances. He was said to have attempted to assault a woman at her home on Front street. A youth seized Francesco and handed him over to the police in the presence of a large crowd of bystanders.

The Italian was taken to the station in an automobile and held on a charge of vagrancy pending the investigation of certain aspects of the case.

The court adjourned at noon to resume the case this afternoon.

Neighbors Alarmed

The police answered an investigation alarm last night but found no one in the district.

Police Court

A man named J. Hunter was fined \$5 this morning on a charge of having been drunk.

THE BATTLE OF THE AISNE REACHES DECISIVE STAGE

Busy Trenton

The latest news of the town and surrounding neighborhood is given in an interesting manner.

Trenton Sept. 18th.—The "Spending Thrifts" a thrilling and successful New York production will be produced at the Weller Opera House on Friday evening, 18th inst. Mr. Weller has received good reports regarding the ability of those producing the play and assures patrons of the house that they will not be disappointed.

W. B. Norrup M.P. of Belleville is in town to-day on business.

A fire occurred this morning at the Whirlwind Dry Goods Store on Front street. The firemen reached the scene promptly and succeeded in putting it out before much damage was done.

Mr. Angus McWat is spending a few days with his parents before returning to Queen's University.

Citizens interested in the Soldiers' Patriotic Fund are requested to attend the meeting to be held in the Town Hall on Friday evening next.

Mr. Myron Vanalstine, formerly of this place, is spending his holidays with his parents here.

Mr. Darling, of Wooder, has joined the staff of the Meisels Bank, Frankfurt.

We received a call yesterday from a subscriber to the Ontario, who asked us if we had ceased to send in Trenton notes, because, he said, if we had intended to cancel his subscription.

We assured him that we had only been temporarily off duty and that he would see the Trenton notes appearing regularly. We were glad to know that they were appreciated, however.

A fine musical production entitled "The Prince of To-night" will hold the boards at Weller's Opera House on 24th inst. We expect to be able in another issue to tell our readers something of the merits of the piece.

Trenton, Sept. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Young, of the Couriers, are rejoicing in the arrival of a new girl. The Couriers is out ahead of time this week.

A number of summonses have been issued against individuals who will persist in smoking while crossing the bridge. The officer in charge is exceedingly lenient with first offenders and the offender himself will be only to blame should he come up before the E. M.

We are glad to notice that a number of the houses which were recently reported as vacant are now occupied.

We understand that Mr. E. V. Ilsey has been ordered to report for duty at Windsor on November 1st.

Messrs. Roberts and Shaffer, of Chicago, have been awarded the contract for the building of the new coal chutes near C.N.R. roundhouse. We understand that about \$20,000 will be expended on this work and that it will take three months to complete it.

Judge Frailek is holding Division Court here to-day.

Rev. W. B. Tucker M.A. of Campbellford, will occupy the pulpit of the King Street Methodist church. Mr. Rogers will preach the anniversary sermons in Mr. Tucker's church, Campbellford.

Mr. G. W. J. Taylor, professor of music and singing, is in New York, taking his annual short course in connection with his profession.

The "Prince of To-Night," the big musical attraction, will play at the Weller Opera House on Sept. 25th instead of Sept. 24th, as was previously announced. This company is now playing the Grand Opera House, Toronto.

A new photographer has commenced business in the Cummings Block, Front street, over R. Robertson's confectionery store.

The Patriotic Fund is steadily growing. To-night many of the lists sent out by the President will be returned well signed. The subscriptions now exceed \$5,000.

Readers of the Ontario, until within the last three months, received copies of the paper on evening of issue. For some time the paper has not been delivered until the following morning. Why should this be so?

Trenton, Sept. 21.—While not agreeing with the drastic measures advocated by the Minister of Militia as punishment for criticizing the militia officers who, through no fault of their own, are precluded from going to the front, we still think that no local officer should attempt to make excuses and explanations at public gatherings. On two occasions recently we have heard an officer of the local military organization undertake to explain to the assemblage, the reason why officers of the Trenton company of the 49th Regt. in conformity with their professions, were not taking their places in the expeditionary force, which is about to sail for the front. It should not be necessary for an officer to make explanation of any kind to the public, even though the criticism be severe and entirely undeserved. No one with a grain of common sense would dream of accusing them of cowardice, on the contrary we think that some of them have been looking

forward for years to just such a war as is now going on, and are greatly disappointed at their inability to land a position in the first contingent. Possibly some people do not know, that there are at Valcartier, nearly 1700 officers, and out of this number 650 will be chosen to go with the 25,000 men comprising the first contingent. Very naturally officers will not be willing to change as private soldiers, and as there is every probability that a second force will be sent abroad, it does not appear necessary for them to do so.

The editor of the Winnipeg Saturday Post, if the Toronto Sunday World's report of the matter is correct, has had the temerity to criticize the Hon. Minister of Militia's conduct of arrangements at the Valcartier concentration camp, and in consequence has been placed in custody by the Militia Department. His paper has also been suspended.

Mr. Chas. Wilkins, who is with the Kingston Queen's College Engineers, at Valcartier, is seriously ill with pneumonia, and has been removed to the hospital in Quebec city. Miss Josiah left yesterday for Quebec to be with him. We trust that he may soon recover.

Yesterday afternoon, while sitting under a tree on the south side of Bunker Hill, we had a taste of active service. A couple of young men broke into the Meyers' property near the C.P.R. spur line, and evidently taking us for a German, drew a bead on the tree under which we were sitting. The young warrior aimed well as was evidenced by the twigs and leaves from over our head falling to the ground. The sound of the bullet was not pleasant and it was not hard to imagine what real war was like, for the moment. We lost no time in gathering up our pipe and ammunition and taking to the hills to interview the enemy. We found him in ambush in a hickory tree and had to reconstitute with him at some disadvantage. However, we made it as plain to him as Sunday language could make it, that it behooved him to be more careful in future. In passing we would warn pedestrians of the great danger from the promiscuous shooting which goes on continually in this locality.

The patriotic fund is growing rapidly. Sutcliffe's patriotic sale conducted by the ladies of the town, netted \$120. Great praise is due to Mrs. A. G. Whittier for the success of this venture. She proved her managerial ability and her assistants made satisfactory checks. Some of them were a little slow in making up their checks and securing change. The refreshment rooms were well patronized by the townspeople.

On Saturday the Treasurer of the Fund reported \$1870.00 in hand, while the total receipts to date are \$1850.00. About three hundred more in right committee is due to Mr. Sutcliffe and his obliging staff for the generous assistance given to the ladies at the Saturday sale. Mr. Sutcliffe is a public-spirited citizen and is always ready to assist any good cause.

Trenton, Sept. 22.—The interment of the late Thos. H. Brenton, of Murray township, took place yesterday at St. George's cemetery. Deceased was in his 72nd year and had been seriously ill for some time prior to his death. He was well known in Trenton where he had many friends.