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# ROGERS-ROBLIN MACHINE GOES TO PIECES

ADVERTISER WRITERS DESCRIBE BATTLE AND 18th's VOYAGE

# Wilson Orders: Germany Must Obey or Fight

# HEAVY SEAS CAUSED MUCH MAL-DE-MER; SOME THRILLING INCIDENTS UP OFFICERS AND MEN IN YII

From the Time London Men Reached Halifax, Until the Good Ship Grampian Landed Them Safely on English Terra Firma, Pte. Bartlett Tells of the Adventures Met With, of the Feeling of Enthusiasm of the Volunteers, and of the Real Jo y Engendered at the Fact That at Last the 18th Was Go ing to the Front to Show What Stuff It Was Made Off.

(BY PTE. W. J. BARTLETT.)

Written on board the R. M. S. Grampian. "HERE WE ARE, HERE WE ARE, HERE WE ARE AGAIN. HELLO! HELLO! HELLO! HERE WE ARE AGAIN."

What a simple song, the reader might think, especially when he or she is acquainted with the fact that it is the regimental song of the 18th Battalion.

But it is a simple song full of meaning. Ever since the battalion got into shape in London, the boys have stuck together in a remarkable way. Out on the heavy route marches, through snow, blizzards and rain, when the roll-call was taken the men were always there. And this is why the boys adopted the song, "Here We

Are Again." Our Colonel has told us on many occasions he had faith in his men, that they would stand together through thick and thin. A very small number of people predicted that when the spring arrived many of the men would desert. But they know by this time how false was their prediction. All the men stand today, as they did months are shoulder to shoulder to shoulder ready to do or die A very small number of people predicted that when the spring aras they did months ago, shoulder to shoulder, ready to do or die for King and Empire, and this is why we shall go on singing wherever we go "Here We Are Again."

Arrival Known of Before. Readers of The Advertiser are no doubt aware by this time

When the train pulled into the station there was great rejoicing and excitement among the men. We were all sleepy and ous noises, sufficient, someone said, to frighten a German regiment. Premier Throws Himself Upon the Mercy of the Historians— Indeed the coaches fairly seemed to shudder, and of course the regimental song, "Here We Are Again," was heartily sung.

It was not until Sunday noon, however, that we received orders to put on our full packs and parade on the sidings outside the coaches. This was quickly done, and we were marched off to the dock where the transport ship, the R. M. S. Grampian, was

### CLIMBED ABOARD IN RAIN.

In a heavy downpour of rain; the heaviest for many a day, officers and men climbed the gangways of the large steamer, and ment House and presented their resigsoon after everyone was quartered in his berthroom.

The time was about 6:30 o'clock that evening, when supper was on, that the loud blast of the steamer's whistle was heard, and there was a wild rush for the top deck. The steamer was leaving the Heutenant-governor sent for T. C. port, and every member of the battalion was anxious to see the Norris, leader of the Liberal Opposiship head for the open sea. The Grampian turned around grace- tion, and called him to form a govfully-We were off! The rain had now gone, and it was in the flush of a beautiful spring evening that we cheered and waved our honor and returned at once to the hands to the crowd that had come to bid us "God speed."

Lieut.-Col. Wigle surveyed the impressive scene from middle of the saloon deck, smiling and talking to his men. On one occasion he said:

"Well, boys, we are going this time. Are you sorry?" Then from a thousand throats went up the glorious answer,

### JUST TWO WORDS, BUT-

Just two words, but with what feeling were they uttered! And who could have failed to observe the well-set jaws and piercing bers were in caucus at the Adanac Club eyes of the men after they had spoken. It must have been a at some length last night discussing the proud moment for our colonel to learn that his men were as keen matter. as ever to do or die for their King and Empire.

The steamer proceeded slowly out of the harbor, affording us FATHER WILL NEVER derful scenery. The great rugged hills on the port side were beautifully silhouetted against the cloud-speckled sky, and the large cannon of the garrisoned forts mounted on the highest crags

projected picturesquely. Soon we sighted the large searchlight on Belle Island, which occupied our attention for received word this morning that her in the House. The standing of the a considerable time. As the husband, Gunner "Bob" Mercer, had House will be, if Liberals are elected shades of evening fell, the light- died of wounds he received in action in the seats, 27 Government, 22 Ophouse cast its great warning beam across the sea, until the the fether had never be seen across the sea, until the fether had never be seen across the sea, until the fether had never be seen across the sea, until the fether had never be seen across the sea, until the fether had never be seen across the sea, until the fether had never be seen across the sea, until the fether had never be seen across the sea, until the fether had never be seen across the sea, until the fether had never be seen across the sea, until the seather had never be seen across the sea, until the seather had never be seen across the sea, until the seather had never be seathe waters became like a shimmer- Mercer are living now with Mr. Mer- Charges of graft in the construction of ing mass of molten gold. The cer's mother, next door, at No. 9 Bath- the Manitoba Parliament Buildings prepowerful light looked like a urst street. huge diamond set in the sea, so dazzling was its brilliancy. We graphed from Ottawa that her husband that the firm of Thomas Kelly & Sons watched the wonderful glow un- had been wounded, and since then the profited to the extent of \$850,000 through til it diminished to star-like size. wife had waited anxiously to hear how extras added to and permit-Then the sea, which had been calm commenced to swell, and the big liner rolled heavily. the big liner rolled heavily. He enlisted for active service when the Many of the officers and men Boer war broke out, but was stationed at Halifax. He was well known in London.

# SEE HIS LITTLE ONE

Gunner "Bob" Mercer Dies of Wounds Inflicted in

While Artillery Breaks Way.

PROGRESS MADE BY FEET

**Almost Impregnable Positions** Being Held by Enemy.

[Special Cable to The Advertiser.]
By Wm. Philip Simms. Paris, May 12.—German troops strong force, by a series of night at-tacks, succeeded in retaking part of the thes which were carried by the French yesterday, according to today's official communique.

This, however, was the only point where the French have not either maintained territory taken in yesterday's fighting or made additional slight gains The French are continuing today their efforts to break through German lines between Lens and Arras. Already material progress has been made, the French holding the first and second lines of German trenches and having been able to bring up additional artillery to break down entanglements which prevent the carrying of reserve lines by storm. Germans Reinforced.

The Germans have been rushing rein forcements from their positions north of Lens. They have been unable to check the general French offensive which is being maintained with the at most enthusiasm

Advices received here today show that all along the battleline, from a point just west of Rheims, the French (Continued on Page Three.)

# LIBERALS TAKE HELM: that the battalion arrived safely in Halifax at 4 a.m. Sunday, April When the train pulled into the station there was great re-

Liberals Charged That G raft of \$850,000 Was Involved in Parlia ment Buildings.

[Canadian Press.] Winnipeg, May 12 .- At 11 o'clock this morning the members of Sir Rodmond Roblin's Government called at Govern-

PTE. BARTLETT'S STORY

Advertiser Illustrations.

W. J. Bartlett has done great service in advancing Middlesex and West-

OF 18TH VOYAGE FINE

nations personally to Sir Douglas Cameron, the lieutenant-governor. After a hurriedly formal meeting, in which the resignations were accepted, ernment. Mr. Norris accepted the Parliament Buildings, where he was met by the gentlemen he had previously selected for his cabinet. There

lately. Will Resign Seats. There have been rumors of this action on the part of the Government since Sunday. The Conservative mem-

were no other members at the build-

It is understood that the Premier and Dr. Montague, minister of public works; Hon. Hugh Armstrong, provincial treasurer, and Hon. George Coldwell, minister of education, will also resign their seats in the Legislature, thus giving the new Government a majority of

All old cabinet ministers will resign seats in the Legislature with the exception of Hon. Hugh Armstrong, member for The Pas, who becomes leader of the Opposition. The old ministers will not seek re-election. This will Mrs. Robert Mercer, 7 Bathurst street, give the Liberals a working majority

cipitated the resignation of the Govern-

ted in the contract. Robert Rogers went west recently, and his visit was connected with the troubles of the Government.

Roblin's Statement.

Premier Roblin issued the following

ture certain serious statements were made alleging over-payments and other matters in connection with the construction of the new parliament build-

"A royal commission was appointed to inquire into the whole matter. "The authority or jurisdiction of the This mission is now challenged. (Continued on Page Three.)

# Wouldn't Wear Any Flowers of the Murderers

ings. The change occurred immed-Attempt to Sell "Kaiserblooms" Fails Miserably at Washington Show.

> Charles Tolmie, formerly secretary-treasurer of the London Street Railway, who, with Mrs. Tolmie, has been visiting in Washington after returning from Havana, sends to a friend a letter describing how Washington resented the sale of flowers called "Kaiserblooms."

The flowers were being sold by young women at the National Capital Horse Show, and Mr. and Mrs. Tolmie bought one or two, unaware of the name of the flower. They were being sold in aid of the Washington diet kitchen.

"We won't wear the flowers of a murderer!" the people shouted. "It's a disgrace to try to sell them to us." Many of the patrons of the show left the grounds as a protest, and all over the city the flowers were trampled under foot by those who recognized them as "Kaiserblooms," the national flower of Germany.

Washington was sensitive on Saturday and the girls at the horse show were forced to leave the grounds. Some of the visiters, however, kept the German flowers, and, securing white and red artificial flowers, made a combination of red, white and blue. These are American national colors, as well as

Mr. Tolmie incloses in his letter one of the flowers. It is quite like the ordinary cornflower. As he remarks, there is no doubt about the sentiment of the people of the United States.

# FRENCH KEEP WASHINGTON READY TO ENFORCE DEMAND FOR PASSENGERS' WHOLE FRONT HINT GIVEN WAR MAY FOLLOW

Infantry Chafing in Trenches Close-Up View of Canadian Heroism Given by Advertiser Man Who Carried Wounded From Field of Great Battle WILL BE CABLED

NOTICE

The attention of our readers is directed to page nine, where a de-tailed report of the atrocities committed by Germans in Belgium and France is given by Viscount Bryce and his associates on the special committee appointed by Britain to investigate rumors concerning these charges of terrible brutality.

Unable To Procure It in Unit-Druggists in London, Ask-

Dope fiends in the United States driven to frenzy by the new Harrison drug law which is succeeding in keep-ing them from their supply of drugs, are now writing London druggists for Canadian prices on drug stuff, of getting these across the border. In a letter rereived from a 24-yearwoman who resides in Emporia, Kansas, a local druggist was asked by morphine, 150 per cent atropine, or 1-2 gr. morphine and 175 per cent gr. atropine and powder, and put it inside a letter in order that the postal authorities would not suspect that such a trade was being carried on. Pitiful Plea Comes.

Another letter sent to a druggist here from a woman, contained a pitiful plea for drugs. She said that since the passing of the new law she could not get the drugs in the States and must get them somewhere as she was unable to do without. She wrote to the druggist to see if he would send her some as she had heard there was no law against this in Canada.

Other letters from American drug victims say that since the United States doctors and druggists have cut them off, on account of fear of the new law, they have been told to write to Canadian druggists, who will supply Wanted Early Reply.

One slave to the habit brought her oped the druggist would favor her with an early reply, and also that he would accommodate her by supply-ing her with a small order. The passing of the new drug law in the United States has resulted in local druggists being asked by a number unfortunates from across the border for a supply of dope. It was only recently that a man who is now in the insane asylum told Police Magistrate J. C. Judd that if he wanted any dope he could get it here without any

## King Albert Not Too Proud to Fight

[Canadian Press.]
London, May 12.—Interest is unabated in developments at Washington, and dispatches from America are read eagerly in the hope of obtaining a clue to the probable action of Presi-dent Wilson. The Globe says: "If America is too proud to fight let us at least be thankful for King Albert's shocking loss of dignity."

### PROTECTING GERMAN INTERNED VESSELS

North German Lloyd Asks Speci Force At New York Docks. [Canadlan Press.]

New York, May 12.—Precautionary measures for the protection of part of nterned in Hoboken were taken today. when a detachment of police from the local force was assigned to guard day and night the front and the approaches to the piers of the North German Lloyd ine. The action was taken, it was said on application of officials of the line. The Hamburg-American Line, it was said, had made no application. Representatives of the first-named line said no

"Oh, It Was Magnificent!" Says Roy McLeod, of Company That Fought Overwhelming Odds Until Literally Cut to Pieces-One Man He B rought In On His Back a Paralytic Wreck From Effect's of Gas-A Call to Canada.

I GUESS THAT I WILL WAKE UP SOON, SO WILL YOU PEOPLE IN CANADA, AND REALIZE THAT YOUR COUNTRY IS AT WAR. Graphic sidelights on the aftermath of the great battle of Ypres, personal interviews with wounded Canadians who helped write the name of the Maple Leaf in blood and glory in the history of the great war, and a description of the ffects of the terrible asphyxiating gases, now so important a factor of the German war-murder machine, are all contained in a letter from Roy McLeod, for-merly of The Advertiser staff, and now a private of the Army Service Corps, also asks guarantees that there will being attached to No. 4 Depot Unit of Supply, a unit that was organized in this

Private McLeod's letter was written on April 26, just a little more than two weeks ago, and is a wonderful revelation of the heroic fortitude of the boys of the Maple Leaf, who are fighting for the motherland and Empire in France and In it he refers to the fact that Sergt.-Major Barney Dunlevy, of this city, and one of the best known R. C. R. men of London depot, has been invalided to

MADE WARRANT OFFICER. Sergt.-Major Dunlevy was senior staff sergeant of the Supply Unit when it left London. Sergt.-Major Prikler, who for a time was regimental sergeant-major of the 7th Fusiliers of this city, was warrant officer of the unit. At Salisbury Plains, Sergt.-Major Prikler was given a commission as an Army Service Corp. ed States Send Word To lieutenant in No. 1 Field Butchery, and Sergt.-Major Dunlevy was promoted to warrant rank.

During the battle of Ypres, the members of Pte. McLeod's unit were pressed into service as stretcher-bearers and to assist the Army Medical Corps and Red Cross branches of the service. This brought him into touch with the wounded heroes, many of whom he carried to the dressing stations and ambulances. "IT SEEMS LIKE A DREAM TO ME," writes the London

and he expresses the hope that Canada will wake up now. ARE SECOND MEN IN FRANCE? In the conclusion of his story he declares that it is claimed that the second Canadian contingent is landing at the firing line.

The letter in full follows: "Just a hasty word or two, because like the rest of the contingent, I have been awfully busy of late. I know you have heard all about it, and no doubt by the time you receive this letter it will be considered a back number, but at any rate here goes.

"Last Wednesday afternoon (I think), when suddenly assalled by a cloud of asphyxlating gases, the French Zouaves were obliged to retreat and by so doing exposed the Canadian left flank to the enemy advancing who succeeded in capturing a section of Canadian artillery. This artillery was stationed in the rear, supporting the retreating French colonials. MEN STOOD THEIR GROUND.

"Then the Canadians demonstrated their ability. The fumes of choking gas driven from German guns, drifted over their lines in a thick their spurs as a contingent in this campaign. "Oh. It was magnificent! One half company of the Royal Montreal

until literally cut to pieces. And not only there was Canadian grit in evidence, but everywhere, Although completely surrounded the position was held against superior numbers, and our guns were later recaptured in a gallant charge. It was 'classy,' but the lads of the Maple Leaf paid dear for their win. nen Sir John French said: They saved the situation and the Key to calais,

them, the tables being turned.
"A PARALYTIC WRECK." "A wounded survivor of the Montreal described to me the effects produced by the gas, which contains chlorine, and is guaranteed to kill at a mile. He said:

and all seem satisfied, except the enemy, who had one slipped over on

"'ABOUT 5 P.M. WE SAW A YELLOW CLOUD DRIFTING OUR WAY, CARRIED BY THE WIND, AND BEFORE I KNEW IT I WAS IN THE MIDST OF THE GAS. TEARS RAN DOWN MY CHEEKS AND I COLLAPSED. "I carried him on my back to the ambulance, and he was unconscious

for five hours. He related the above to me after being revived, and is now a PARALYTIC WRECK. For this he blames the gas. "It seems to have affected others differently. A private of the 1st Battallon, whose home is in St. Thomas, told me he was now color blind as a result of this latest Hun atrocity.

"But the Canadian wounded all seem happy, and take everything in good spirit. A young lieutenant of Toronto assured me that he had picked off 'AN OLD HYPOCRITE OF A GERMAN COLONEL,' or words to that effect, which would not pass the censor, whilst another officer cautioned me to lift him gently as he had half a machine gun in his leg. Souvenir hunting, I suppose.
"I asked another wounded fellow how he felt, and got this in reply:

OH, I AM GETTING THERE, THAT'S ALL, BUT IF I WAS ONLY HALF A MAN I WOULD GET THE \_\_\_\_\_, WHO STOLE MY BADGES.' (space represents Canadian cuss words.) His wounds were not worrying him, you see.

"Then there was a Stratford man, badly hurt, who remarked that It was 'nice to be carried around.'. Oh, we have men out here amongst the (Continued on Page Three.)

## STANDING OF CANDIDATES IN ADVERTISER'S CONTEST

	DISTRICT NUMBER ONE.	
	Miss J. Benenati, 128 Abert street	004,080
	Miss E. Anderson, 579 Central avenue  Miss B. Ball, 526 Ontario street  Miss W. Colbert, 890 Dundas street  Miss L. Coughlin, 297½ Pall Mall street  Miss J. Morkin, 66 Palace street  Miss F. Rankin, 421 Oxford street  Mrs. L. F. Real, 563 Dufferin avenue  DISTRICT NUMBER THREE.	67,030 671,530 73,240 828,530 366,710 170,410
	Miss C. Brighton, 181 Emery street Miss W. Hicks, 178 Bruce street Miss A. Page, 118 Bruce street Miss E. Weston, 64 Stanley street Miss F. Widden, 180 Wortley road DISTRICT NUMBER FOUR.	80,070 36,080 516,630 436,490
si	Miss P. Crawford, 634 King street  Mrs. F. Jones, 100 Adelaide street  Miss E. Kidner, 604 York street  The standing of candidates, as announced, above, shows a steance the last report published Saturday. Several of the contestants a	. 316,130 1,043,530 dy progr

their big efforts for the close of this week and the beginning of next, and will, rouble was anticipated, but that it was hought best to take reasonabe precautions.

BIG RUSSIAN LOAN.

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Petrograd, May 12.—Via London.—A governmental announcement made public today, instructs the ministry of guille today, instructs the ministry of finance to issue a second internal loan finance to issue a second one out the second one of this week and the beginning of next, and will, father Point... 46 40 Cloudy Father Point... 46 40 Cloudy Father Point... 46 40 Cloudy Weather Notes.

The pressure is now highest over the disturbance is passing across the Great Lakes.

Showers occurred during yesterday shallow the point of the grand wind-up on the last two days of the contest."

The standing of candidates will not be announced again until Saturday, May out the Dominion,

Note Also Insists On the Strict **Accounting For Past** 

Cabinet Members Say the Note **Fulfils Desires of Citizens** Generally.

[Canadian Press.]
Washington, May 12.—The United States Government, in a note to Ger-

many today, formally demands of the Imperial Government a strict accounting for the loss of American lives in the sinking of the Lusitania and violations be no repetition of such events or prac-

With the plain intimation in it that the United States is prepared to meet any eventuality that may arise from a non-compliance, the communication, phrased in unmistakably emphatic language, was pre-pared to be cabled to Berlin by

Written by President Wilson and approved unanimously by radical and conservative members of the cabinet, the note was being carefully examined by Counsellor Lansing and the law officers of the Government at the state department today to make sure that its phraseology covered every point of law Decision Reached.

The White House officially announced the fact that the President had finally determined the course of action to be pursued in the following statement issued by Secretary Tumulty after a conference with the President: "The course of the President has been

determined. It will be announced just as soon as it is proper to publish the note now in preparation.' This was taken to mean that the American Government, observing the usual diplomatic amenities, would await the receipt of the communication in Berlin before making it pub-At first there was some suggestion that the communication be sent

personally by the President to Emper-

or William, but Mr. Wilson determines

individual, but to the German Government and through it to the German Guarantee Asked.
As for reparation, the United States will seek financial reparation, but its protest now is in the name of international law and humanity to obtain a guarantee that such tragedies will not be repeated

While high officials and cabinet of ficers were reticent about discussing the contents, it was agreed that the note reviewed the intense feeling of the United States over the occurrences in the war zone, and wanted an explanation of them, as well as a guarantee that they would not be re-

The communication lays stress on the inhumanity of the attacks, without warning, on merchant vessels. It reviews in a general way every case in the war zone in which the rights of American citizens have been transgressed-the sinking of the steamer Falaba with the loss of Leon C. Thresher, an American; the attack by German airmen on the American steamer can steamer Gulflight while flying the American flag, and, finally the destruction of the Lusitania, with the loss of more than a thousand non-combatants, more than one hundred of them Americans. Friendly Tone.

The note, while firm and pointed, does not abandon tones of friendliness, giving room for a disavowal by Germany of her acts or an abatement (Continued on Page Three.)

### THE WEATHER

LOCAL TEMPERATURES. The following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night: Highest, 74; lowest, 35.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 63; lowest, 44.

TOMORROW-SHOWERY. Toronto, May 12-8 a.m. Forecasts.

Today — Moderate southerly winds; fair and warm showers in many localities tonight.

Thursday—Showery.

Temperatures.

The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:

Stations High, Low, Weather. Victoria 62 46 Clear Calgary 66 36 Cloudy Winnipeg 82 44 Cloudy Winnipeg 82
Port Arthur 64
Parry Sound 72
Toronto 65
Ottawa 62
Montreal 60
Ouebec 60