

BEHIND THE LINES WHERE ORDNANCE MEN ARE BUSY

How the Supplies For the Guns are Rushed-All Supplies are Tabulated by a Clerk.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

General Headquarters of the British Army in France, Thursday, June 17—(Correspondence)—Shells and shells and then more shells—shells by rail load and ship load. Shells of all sizes from one you can carry under your arm to giants which are rolled off the car into the motor truck.

A soldier clerk sitting at a desk in a freight car of ammunition keeps a tabulation sheet of every class sent to a certain sector of the front.

"This was a very peaceful day," said an ordnance officer in charge, indicating a certain date. "We were doing hardly any business at all."

A very peaceful day meant a matter of only a few hundred shells which this distributing centre supplied.

"Then," as the officer said, "we take it easy."

For the last 36 hours, however, all hands had been on the jump.

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Trial of Case in the Press Got to Stop

New York, June 28.—General Frank S. Streeter of Concord, N. H., head of the commission appointed by Federal Judge Aldrich to determine whether Harry K. Thaw would be a public menace if liberated on bail during his stay in New Hampshire, testified today in the jury proceedings to determine Thaw's mental condition.

Before General Streeter went on the stand, Thaw's counsel endeavored unsuccessfully to introduce into the evidence the report of the commission which resulted in Thaw's being released on bail in New Hampshire.

The entire forenoon session was devoted to the examination of this one witness, who declared Thaw was sane.

Prior to the taking of testimony today, Justice Hendrick addressed the newspapermen and warned them that "the trial of this case in the newspapers has got to stop."

He threatened with punishment for contempt of court any editor who published stories outlining future evidence that might be presented.

JULY 1ST EXCURSION, NIAGARA FALLS, VIA T.H. & B.

Trains leave Brantford 7.20 a.m. Returning, leave Niagara Falls 7 p.m.

Excursion train stops at Cainsville both ways, Adults, \$1.25; children 60c.

Colborne St. Methodist Church Epworth League

Boys' Jerseys long and short sleeves, at reduced prices this week at Whitlock's.

NOW ON RUSSIAN TERRITORY

By Special Wire to the Courier. BERLIN, JUNE 29.—VIA LONDON, 3.19 P.M.—THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT GIVEN OUT TO-DAY BY THE GERMAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS STAFF ANNOUNCES THAT TO THE NORTH OF LEMBERG THE AUSTRO-GERMAN FORCES ARE NOW ON RUSSIAN TERRITORY.

BUS SERVICE QUESTION IS TAKEN UP

Question of City Service Discussed; Gregory Gets Permit.

The question of running a bus service to West Brantford was again brought up at the City Council last night. The matter had been left in the hands of the Railway Board after the discussion at the last meeting.

It was moved by Ald. Bragg that Mr. Gregory be permitted to run his car and carry passengers from the corner of Dalhousie and Market Sts. to West Brantford by way of Dalhousie street until such time as the council sees fit to change or discontinue the same.

This motion, after the following discussion, was advised to be withdrawn by the Mayor. He said it was best for Mr. Gregory to run the car under his own risk, with the assurance that he would not be troubled in any way by the council.

The following was the discussion: Ald. Bragg said that this was the best the railway committee could do as street cars could not be run across the bridge to West Brantford.

It was the only thing that could be done for that section of the city.

Ald. Cuff asked if Mr. Gregory would have to take out a driver's license.

Ald. Pitcher said that he had a car license and didn't need a driver's license.

Mayor Spence added that he would have to have a license from the police board to allow him to carry passengers.

Ald. Suddaby said that he had seconded the motion made by Ald. Bragg only because it was the best thing which could be done at present for West Brantford.

He had thought that a decent service would be given to the people. It was not right for the people to pay two fares. He did not see why the bus service could not be run by the city if it could be run by an individual.

They could then get anywhere on the one fare. Besides this, the bus service would not cost nearly so much to run as a car service and would undoubtedly pay. The reason the street cars hadn't paid was that the service which had been put on was too irregular.

The Mayor said that Ald. Suddaby was quite right but as he couldn't see his way clear in regard to the car service he heartily endorsed the bus service.

Ald. Mellen asked if this license would have to be renewed every year, or if it was a license for a certain number of years.

The Mayor replied that it was only a one year license.

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The Mayor replied that he wanted to know if any measures had been taken to protect the people.

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The Mayor thought that the motion should be withdrawn and he would see that the driver was not molested, if he cared to drive under his own responsibility.

Ald. Secord asked if the Street Railway commission would consider the running of a bus line if the council made the request. It should be because that commission had not been elected by the people, and was under the control of the council.

The Mayor replied that there was no reason why the commission should not consider the matter further. The members have been considering the affair and the council should wait and see what their decision was.

FORM MILITARY CABINET. By Special Wire to the Courier.

Wellington, N.Z., June 29.—Premier W. F. Massey announced in Parliament to-day that the New Zealand Government was prepared to form a national military ministry until the close of the war, with a view of the whole energies of the country being concentrated in the prosecution of hostilities.

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RUPTURE EVIDENT

Turkey and Italy Disagree - Italy to Join Allies.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Paris, June 29.—Announcement in the Italian press of a rupture between Italy and Turkey, with the early intervention of the Italian army and navy alongside the allies in the Dardanelles has been received here with much satisfaction, although there has been no official announcement from Rome regarding Italy's plans.

FRUITLESS FIGHTING

Is Sum-up of Operations on Western Frontier.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

London, June 29.—The Russian center in Galicia is rapidly reforming behind the River Gnla Lipa before General Von Linsingen's drive across the Dniester, but this retreat in the opinion of London military critics is almost entirely due to the battle in the Lemberg region where the positions of the Russians made retirement inevitable. These movements have strengthened the Austro-German line if it could be run by an individual.

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COUNCIL DID GOOD WORK LAST NIGHT

Much General Business is Put Through in Short Time.

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A long and very busy session of the city council was held in the council chambers last evening. There was only one chair vacant. Those present were Mayor Spence, Aldermen Calbeck, Suddaby, Bragg, Woolams, Dowling, Freeborn, Jennings, Pitcher, Cuff, Gress, Mellen, Secord, Welsh and Ryerson.

The most important item discussed was the purchase of Mohawk Park and the advisability of running a bus line to West Brantford, both dealt with under separate headings.

Little discussion was given to the communications, and when the accounts had been read and passed, the reading and passing of by-laws transacted, as there were no petitions.

The reports of the finance committee, board of works and building and grounds committee, were also read.

COMMUNICATIONS. The time lists of City Engineer T. H. Jones were ordered to be paid.

The communications from R. E. Mills, re, department of public health, W. F. Cocksutt, re, painting letter boxes, H. Chase Cosgrain, Post Master-General, Union of Canadian Municipalities, re, report of convention, were ordered to be filed.

In connection with the communication from T. J. Hannigan, secretary of the Hydro Electric Commission, some discussion arose about the payment of the \$10 annual membership fee of the association. The Mayor thought that it was too much.

City Clerk Leonard stated that he had sent the \$10 fee, and in reply to Mr. Hannigan's letter, had stated that the Mayor and railway committee would be pleased to accept the invitation to motor over to Guelph.

This would include besides the Mayor, Chairman Ald. Bragg, and Ald. Minshall, Gress, and Suddaby.

It was moved by Ald. Bragg that this communication be referred to the railway committee. Carried.

The communications from W. G. Raymond, re, sand and gravel for sale and Ker & Goodwin, re, storm sewer on Charlotte street and Wilkes, and Henderson re, extension of Lawrence street, were referred to the board of works.

It was moved that an order for \$350 be given to Wilkes & Henderson in connection with Lawrence street. Carried.

The time lists of John Thresher, re, cemeteries, amounting to \$103.80 were confirmed.

The communications from James Fitness, asking rebate on taxes of vacant property, and E. B. Crompton & Co., re, reduction of taxes on store were referred to the court of revision.

The communication of A. K. Bunnell, re, payment of W. J. Adams' account, re, small hospital, was filed and the sum of \$873 was moved to be paid to W. J. Adams and carried.

It was moved by Ald. Ryerson that the Clerk be instructed to place in the hands of the Chief of Police, for the collection of licenses due the city, the names of those who have not taken out their licenses for their different callings, required under the License Law of the city by the 1st of July. Carried.

The accounts were then read and a motion made by Ald. Ryerson that they be passed. Carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE. The Finance Committee report was read by Ald. Ryerson. This is a special report which comes up once a year, about the exemption of assessment of different factories in the city.

It was too long to be read through in Council so a motion was made by Ald. Ryerson that the report as read be adopted. Carried.

The Mayor explained that every manufacturing firm had to pay the full war tax.

BOARD OF WORKS REPORT. The Board of Works reported as follows: That permission be given the Brantford Municipal Railway Commission to lay a siding from their Colborne Street tracks to the East of Clarence Street into their freight shed on the south side of Colborne street, on the understanding that all expense in connection with the relating the walk pavement and drains be borne by the Commission.

That an order be issued in favor of the City Solicitors for the sum of \$400.00 for the purchase of Lot No. 37 and westerly 30 feet of Lot No. 25 Brunswick Park Survey, authorized by the Council on June 14th.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS. Ald. Pitcher, chairman, reported as follows: That the tender of F. H. Walsh for

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GRAND DUKE HAS COMPLETED RETREAT WITHOUT DISORDERS

Nothing For Over Six Days Now

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Washington, June 29.—For practically six days there has been no word received here as to what has happened in Mexico City.

Latest news came to Vera Cruz by courier and reached here several days old when conditions were described as extremely critical. What has happened since then no one here knows because the Mexican capital has been cut off from telegraphic communication with the outside world.

These advices said that the Zapatistas had defeated General Gonzales and taken a good deal of ammunition and other military supplies. It is feared here that the fighting may have been carried into the capital thereby jeopardizing the lives of foreigners.

In the meantime officials hoped that in the event fighting had been carried into Mexico City, foreigners had been removed from the danger zone. It was also hoped that the British charge d'affaires at Mexico City would try to maintain constant courier service between that city and Vera Cruz.

The State Department's despatch said General Carranza was rushing troop trains from Vera Cruz to the capital, that fighting, at the hour the courier started, still was going on in the outskirts of Mexico City and that a repetition of the tragic "ten days" which preceded the overthrow of Madero, with probably added horrors was feared.

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COUNCIL PASSED BY-LAW FOR PURCHASE OF THE MOHAWK PARK GROUNDS

Grant of \$1000 Allotted For This Improvement-- Grounds to be Cleared Up and Buildings Repaired, and Car Service Started.

The City Council took up the matter of the civic pleasure grounds last night, and after a short discussion, the decision was reached that it purchase Mohawk Park at the price of \$25,000, and put the place in good order immediately.

Ald. Ryerson asked that leave be given the mover to introduce By-law No. — respecting the purchase of Mohawk Park. Carried.

The by-law then received its first and second readings and the council went into committee of the whole, Ald. Dowling taking the chair.

MAYOR'S EXPLANATION. The Mayor said he had called a special meeting of the Buildings and Grounds, Chairmen of Finance and of standing committees on last Friday evening to consider a proposal which had been made to them by the executors of the Lovejov estate. This estate had offered Mohawk Park, consisting of fifty acres or more, and three rights of way into the park, to the city. One of these would lead in where car lines enter and would be 100 feet wide; another would lead in from the eastern corner of the park, and the third from the old Mohawk road, the two latter entrances being 33 and 66 feet wide respectively. But there could be an additional 33 feet put on the eastern entrance, and 50 feet more on the main entrance, at a cost of about \$800.

The estate is willing to accept \$2,000 cash the balance of \$7,000 to be paid on or before January, 1919, and an interest of 4 1/2 per cent. to be paid in the interval.

TWO OPTIONS. The city has a choice of two options in the matter. It can either purchase the park on the before-mentioned payment plan, or by taking a mortgage at any terms, to be paid off at any time up to a period of forty years after January 1919.

The Mayor felt that it was rather an inopportune time to consider the question, but the ratepayers would not have to pay an extra cent if the purchase is to be made. The city has the necessary funds to pay the deposit of \$2000 having collected this amount from an old mortgage

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America's Note to Huns Demands Reparation

By Special Wire to the Courier.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—With the publication to-day of the American note to Germany concerning the destruction of the American ship William P. Frye and her cargo of wheat by the German commerce destroyer Prinz Eitel Friedrich, interest here centred in the character of the reply the German Government would make.

It was despatched to Ambassador Gerard on June 24, and by him presented to the German foreign office last Saturday afternoon.

The communication asks that Germany reconsider her refusal to settle by direct diplomatic negotiations instead of by prize court proceedings the claim presented on behalf of the captain and owners of the Frye, and points out that such proceedings are unnecessary and not binding upon the United States in view of Germany's admission of liability for the sinking of the ship under the treaty of 1828.

The American Government declares that it will accept indemnity, if paid promptly, as reparation. It is made clear that the United States will not accept Germany's contention that she has a right to stop the carrying of contraband by American ships "by destruction of the contraband and the ship carrying it."

BRITISH SUBMARINE E 11 DOES SOME DARING WORK IN THE SEA OF MARMORA

Member of Crew Tells of the Underwater Craft-- Sank Gunboat and Several Steamers, and Had Periscope Shot Away, But Returned Safely.

London, June 28.—A despatch from Athens states that British submarines have caused further damage to Turkish shipping in the Sea of Marmora. The Turkish fleet has sought refuge at the Golden Horn and in the Bosphorus.

The Chronicle publishes the following account by one of the crew of the exploit of the British submarine E-11 for which Lieut.-Commander Nasmyth received the Victoria Cross and each of his men the Distinguished Conduct Medal.

"We left Imbros one morning about 3 a.m. and steamed toward the Dardanelles and dived as day was breaking, and—well, got through the Narrows all right, arrived on the other side and saw two battleships.

We were getting ready to torpedo one of them when they spotted us, opened fire on us and nipped, bunked and ran away."

The first "Tin Fish."

"We then journeyed on for a mile or two and then went to the bottom and rested until about 8 p.m., when we came up. It was dusk, so we looked around. Nothing in sight."

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We broke the surface and entered the Sea of Marmora and bumped around for a few days without sighting a thing until Sunday morning, when we were diving outside of Constantinople and saw a big gunboat and at 6.25 a.m. we gave her a "tin fish."

By 6.30 a.m. she was no more; but before she sank, while she was listing over they opened fire on us. The second shot hit our periscope and "done it in." That gunner must have been a cool card, eh?

"On Monday we sighted a steamer, came to the surface alongside her and told her to stop. She stopped, and the men were so anxious to get clear that one boat capsized. No lives were lost. There was a Yankee correspondent aboard who tried to bluff; no good though, 'cos an officer and two men boarded her and discovered she had a six-inch gun, several gun countings and fifteen-inch ammunition aboard, so we blew her up. A few minutes after we sighted another steamer and told her to stop. She wouldn't. We chased her into the harbor, and when she was securing alongside a pier we torpedoed her."

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Russian Armies Neither Beaten Nor Demoralized

By Special Wire to the Courier.

LONDON, June 29.—The Russian armies are neither beaten nor downhearted, according to the correspondent of the Times, in reviewing the six weeks' Teutonic advance, after a visit to Russian headquarters. General Ivanoff, commander of the southern armies, shows no trace of despondency. Discussing the present situation, the correspondent says:

"The view is held here that their capture of Lemberg and other Galician successes have brought the Austro-Germans no nearer a solution of the war. In spite of their enormous losses, which are estimated at 380,000 Germans, and probably an equal number of Austrians, they still encounter the same stubborn army as before, which is willing to keep fighting for years if necessary. The Germans must continue pouring in fresh troops in order to hold their positions, for if they take them away to defend other frontiers the whole edifice of the Austrian defensive will collapse."

"The Russian point of view is that they can retreat and advance again indefinitely, caring little for the moral effect of the loss of towns as long as they are constantly weakening their adversaries and preventing a trench deadlock such as exists on the western and Warsaw fronts."

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