

HAMILTON NEWS

HAMILTON DECORATED FOR THE BIG PARADE

Twenty-Five Thousand Visitors Expected From Outside Points to Witness Review.

FIRST UNIT TO MOVE

Machine Gun Battalion is in High State of Efficiency and Ready.

HAMILTON, Saturday, March 18.—It was learned yesterday that the first local unit to leave this city will be the 86th Machine Gun Battalion.

Everything is in readiness now and at 2 o'clock this afternoon 100 troops, the majority of them for overseas service, will commence their parade, which will terminate in the march past in the Gore Park, where Sir John Hendrie will take the salute.

WAR SUMMARY THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

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exhausted, or that she will fall an easy prey to the allied offensive. The German general staff is sure to have prepared well-thought-out plans for a strong defence of Germany, and when the allies begin their offensive, if, after winning a certain measure of success, they are given a temporary check, the Germans will seize that moment for the bringing about of pressure from neutrals and the pro-Germans in the allied countries for signing of an inconclusive peace before the German military power is crushed.

The British official report on the operations in Flanders last night notes only artillery activity about Loos and Ypres. The Germans in their official report say that "six British mine explosions south of Loos were unsuccessful. But mines are meant to explode and if they were voluntarily exploded by the British, the explosions must have been successful, or there would not have been explosions. The terms of the German communiqué illustrate another form of German statement which appears "unsuccessful" after an operation which it reports. This is intended to convey a vague notion to the careless reader that whatever was done was not done and so was a failure.

The Italians reported yesterday the performing of a considerable military exploit in the capture of Forcella di Fontana Negra, between the first and second summits of Tofana Ridge and the repulse of an attempted Austrian enveloping movement. The captured peak towers in the air to a height of 2583 metres, or about a mile and a half. Italian batteries also silenced the Austrian artillery about Fort Hensel in the Fella Valley.

The Russian army of the Caucasus has occupied the Town of Mamakhatan, on the Euphrates River, after fighting a battle on a field about 60 miles west of Erzerum. They captured five cannon, machine guns, and a provision convoy, and they captured 14 officers and 77 Askaris. Nothing further has been announced concerning the advance on Trebizond, but it is probable that the Russians are waiting for their big guns and reinforcements to come up before they shoot their bolt against this important sea base.

No word came from British sources about Mesopotamia yesterday. A Turkish report that the British retreated a week ago after failing to dislodge the Turks and stating that the Turks gave pursuit is not consistent for it asserts that the pursuit commenced four days after the retreat began. This Turkish communiqué is valueless as usual.

The speech of Dr. Helfferich, Imperial German treasurer, in the Reichstag, stating that the war expenses of Germany and her allies are \$17,000,000 daily, while the expenses of the entente powers, including Italy, are at least \$60,000,000 daily, need not alarm anybody outside of Germany, for common sense would tell any person that the outlay of the entente powers is being made in preparation for the final and decisive effort against Germany and the sum thus devoted to this preparation is only an index as to its magnitude. If Germany had not gone out of her senses, re- wretched great alarm. But it would be fallacious to attempt to draw any conclusion between the allied war outlay and the German war outlay. Whereas one national debt, the Imperial German Government has saddled on the various twenty-seven German states and even on the many German municipalities a big share of the costs of the war. Everywhere in Germany municipal and state debts are being piled up at an enormous rate.

The boast of Dr. Helfferich that German bank deposits have increased \$125,000,000 since the beginning of the war also loses its luster when examined. One result of the British blockade, as everybody knows, has been to raise food prices enormously in Germany and the outcome has been an immense gain for the Junker (Agrarian) class. The bank roll posts in this way is not a healthy sign of expansion. But what the Herr Treasurer is really driving at is the preaching of the new propaganda that the allies will suffer from economic exhaustion sooner than Germany. This argument was started by Bergström Dernburg, recently exiled from the United States, who recently by Bergström Dernburg, recently exiled from the command of the seas, he believes that Germany's only hope is in British financial exhaustion. He conveniently forgets that in a trial of pure strength it is the weaker that goes under first.

York County and Suburbs

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AUSTRALIA'S FRIENDSHIP FOR U.S. QUITE WARM

Interests Will Run Together in Pacific Ocean, Says Premier Hughes.

LONDON, March 17.—William S. Hughes, premier of Australia, tonight addressed a St. Patrick's Day gathering of 400 members of the Pilgrim Club, including many prominent Americans. Viscount Bryce presided at the meeting. Premier Hughes said: "This is not the time to judge America's attitude in this war. We are very grateful to America for what she has done for us. Australia has long looked with friendship to America, and wished an opportunity to improve that friendship. Their interests and ours will run hand in hand in the future in the Pacific Ocean."

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FARMERS INCONVENIENCED BY THE COLD AND SNOW

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TOMORROW IS IRISH SUNDAY IN TORONTO

"Faug-a-Ballagh" Have Arranged for Monster Recruiting Meetings.

Yesterday saw the first gun fired in the campaign of the Irish Recruiters (Faug-a-Ballagh) and the officers and men, under Lieut.-Col. Lennox, together with a large number of pretty Irish-Canadian "colleens," entered into the work with real Irish spirit. The officer commanding the 20th Battalion is anxious that the enthusiasm which marked the opening day will be kept up thruout the campaign in order that he may raise his battalion in record time, and with this end in view he has many recruiting "stunts" in store for his men.

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COLORS PRESENTED TO SEVENTIETH BATTALION

Sir John Hendrie Made Presentation at London, Ont., Before Big Gathering.

LONDON, Ont., March 17.—St. Patrick's Day was featured here by the presentation of a handsome standard of regimental colors to the 70th Overseas Battalion, commanded by Lieut.-Col. Towers, by Lieut.-Gov. Sir John Hendrie. The colors are the gift of the Sportsmen's Patriotic Association.

BEACHES GOING STRONG

Helping Fill Out Company in 204th Battalion.

The Beaches have again showed that they are solid behind the 204th Beaches Company by holding another enthusiastic patriotic concert, this time at the Beach School, the 204th Band attending.

The Rev. T. Crawford Brown and Lieut.-Colonel W. H. Price both made stirring appeals. W. S. Thomson, Princess Pats, told about the comfortable life in the trenches and Major A. D. Watts put it up to the Beaches to show the other wards of the city which company would be completed first.



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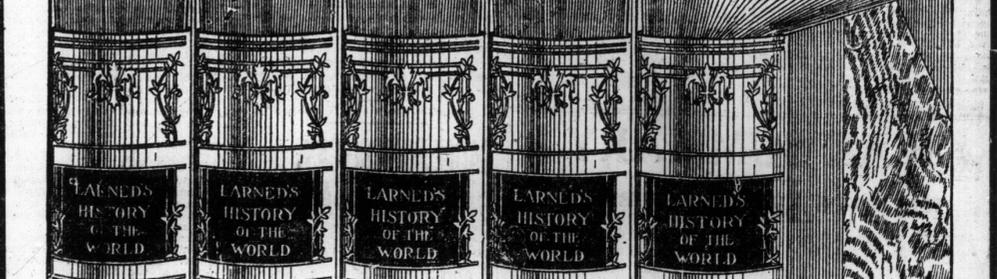
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SOLDIERS HONOR FRIEND ON NINETIETH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Gellatly of Eversley Has Taken Keen Interest in Red Cross Work.

On the occasion of her 90th birthday, Mrs. Gellatly, near Eversley, near St. Catharines, was visited by the men of the 12th York Rangers Overseas Battalion, stationed in that village. She presented with a magnificent bouquet of American beauty roses, while Lieut. Jenkins, in command, expressed on behalf of the soldiers their appreciation of her great service on behalf of the local Red Cross and other societies.

NORTHWEST TORIERS MEET.

The Toronto and Northwest Liberal Association held their monthly meeting at the club rooms on St. Clair avenue last night. President Harry Bennett in the chair. The secretary, H. Donnelly, reported that 23 members had joined the overseas forces, while the membership of the club had increased in about the same ratio. The feature of the meeting was an address by the president on "Public Ownership of Public Utilities."

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