

# TO TIME PROSPECTS FOR CONSCRIPTION ARE POOR

National Registration Not Likely Either, Maj. Williams Reports After Interview with General Hughes.

Niagara-On-The-Lake, Ont., June 8.—No hope for conscription and little more for national registration, was held out by Major G. H. Williams upon his return to camp today, after his interview with Sir Sam Hughes at Ottawa, where he laid before the minister the recommendations of the officers' conference. All of the western provinces have exceeded the number expected of them, and Ontario has but 46,000 to raise to reach its apportionment of 185,000.

man craters were rendered useless, and the trenches behind badly wrecked. Many Germans were buried in their dug-outs, where they took refuge in accordance with their usual custom, when the British bombardment began. Their cries could be heard in the infernal tumult, but it was impossible to rescue them owing to the severe German fire directed from the support trenches and crater lips.

A British soldier called out several times to the enemy, only a few yards away, that he would take his men in and dig out the buried Germans, if they would hold their fire, but they refused, and the unfortunate soldiers had to be left to their fate.

The Lancashire battalions worked like a machine, and supplies of bombs and sandbags passed forward from the old trench without pause. Less than an hour after the attack the parties on the edge of the craters had joined up, and the position was consolidated, although German mine-warfare kept raining bombs on them until ten o'clock and hand-bomb attacks continued from the other side until after midnight.

All the men acted with the greatest coolness and courage. Two second lieutenants, who were killed, were heroically were killed after they had placed their men on the lips of the craters. Non-commissioned officers took charge, and the men "carried out" the night.

Throughout the night digging parties opened up communication trenches between the new line and the old, and strengthened the bombing posts. By daybreak relief could be carried out at all parts of the new line and at the lip of every crater with safety, and the trench-makers had given them good head cover. Our casualties were comparatively light.

Undoubtedly the enemy will make a desperate effort to recover the ground he has lost. His discomfiture has been expressed in characteristically furious bursts of shelling and endeavours to harass the victors by every possible means. These are familiar tactics, and they have not shaken the men who have taken root on the Vimy ridge.

New York, June 8.—If Jimmy Wilde, the English flyweight, keeps his promise—to make a trip to this country—he will be the sensation of the age, provided he is half as good as reports indicate. Wilde is known as the "Mighty Atom," and according to his record his ring opponents are well merited. Although he is but 24 years old, he has taken part in over 250 battles and never has been defeated. Eugene Corri, the noted English sportsman, who is Wilde's chief backer, has the following to say of the little fellow:

"His lightning speed, his perfectly timed blows, his gliding footwork and the manner in which those long pipe-stem arms of his drive his opponents back reeling or cause them to measure their length at the floor battle expert and laymen alike. Surely science was never brought to such perfection as in his case. Brute force he has none, yet he hits as hard as though his thin arms were made of steel. So hard do his blows fall that he often has broken his right hand on an opponent's body."

Corri adds that Jim Driscoll is the only man to whom Wilde can be compared for cleverness, but that Wilde is a better man than Driscoll ever was. If that is so, Wilde must be a sure enough winner, for Driscoll is rated next to Young Griffo as a scientific gloverman.

"Very Good Eddie" to Move.  
"Very Good Eddie," musical comedy produced by Miss Elizabeth Marbury and F. Ray Comstock, which has enjoyed a five months' stay at the Little Princess Theatre, will move to the Casino Theatre on Monday. It began its New York career on Christmas Eve and next Friday night will celebrate its 20th performance. The cast will be increased by the addition of Miss Helen Clark and Quentin Tod, who will appear in a new dance number.

Good tea

# GERMANY ADMITS LOSS OF MORE SHIPS IN SEA FIGHT

## KITCHENER A GREAT ADMIRER OF CANADIANS

Always Found Dominion and Her People Congenial Topic for Conversation.

## TRIBUTE BY CANADA'S MINISTER OF WAR

Sir Sam Hughes Tells of His Last Interview with Britain's Late War Chief.

Special to The Standard.  
Ottawa, June 8.—(Delayed)—The war chief through and through. He could always see black or white; he never saw grey.

The speaker was General Hughes, who was this afternoon asked about his last meeting with the great soldier, and Sir Sam consented to tell some of the things about "K. of K." upon his mind.

"I saw Kitchener several times at the War Office; also at luncheon on the occasion of my last visit to the Old Country. It had been my privilege to know him for several years, and he gave me a hearty soldierly welcome. One of the things that struck me was the wonderful manner in which he seemed to be keeping up under the tremendous strain of the war."

"He had grown slightly more grey than when I saw him a year before, but his great frame stood as erect and his mind seemed as clear and powerful as when I met him fifteen years before in Africa."

"There was nothing at all pretentious about Kitchener's room in the War Office. He wasn't of the kind who gave a great deal of thought to personal comfort. While his whole exterior appeared as cold and unapproachable as the mountain crags of Scotland, I think that beneath he had a heart as warm and tender as the melodies of his native Ireland."

"He never tired of talking about Canada and Canadians. He had learned to admire their fighting qualities in Africa and the gallantry of our boys at St. Julien and Festubert was no surprise to him. Naturally most of my conversation with Kitchener at the War Office was of an official and confidential character. We did not always see eye to eye but I respected his opinion and I think he respected mine."

The Man in Private Life.  
Outside the War Office Kitchener could be a delightful host. The stern tactician soldier became the splendid type of British gentleman whose conversation bespoke the man of culture who had travelled much and thought much. I had the pleasure of luncheon with him a few weeks ago and I never met with a more delightful host. Naturally his mind was filled with war."

"But the thing which impressed me most of all about Kitchener was his indomitable courage. He never seemed to waver for a single instant in his belief that the Kaiser would be smashed. He was blind optimism; no man knew British character better. Kitchener himself was a Britisher through and through. He was no politician and cared nothing for politics, because he didn't know the meaning of compromise. He could always see black or white; he never saw grey."

John McGraw, once said the Pirates were a three-hit-to-a-run club. His attention is called to this exhibition of Jimmy Callahan's crew: Knabe doubled; Schmidt tried to punt him; second, missed the ball and Knabe was thrown out at third; Schmidt singled and was thrown out trying to steal; three singles in a row followed and one run was scored. That's four singles and a two-bagger to get over one run. In the same game the Pirates had a man on third with none out twice—and couldn't score. Jim Callahan sure is getting results out of his system of play.

The Lassitude of Spring is another name for a lazy liver—a liver that is weary of the work of eliminating all the accumulated poisons of a heavy Winter diet. Health and strength in the Spring come from a return to simple, nutritious, easily digested foods. The food that puts you on your feet and brings bounding buoyancy to the jaded muscles and worn-out nerves is Shredded Wheat Biscuit—a whole wheat food that builds new tissue and keeps the bowels healthy and active. Eat it with berries, or other fresh fruits for a few days and see how much better you feel.

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## German Admiralty Admits Loss of Cruiser Eibing

Claims She Was in Collision With Another German Warship—A Lengthy Statement Refuting British Reports of the Sea Fight and Trying to Make Out Case Favorable to German Fleet.

Berlin, June 8, via wireless to Sayville, June 8.—(Delayed)—The German admiralty today announced the loss of the modern small cruiser Eibing. This vessel, the statement says, was in collision with another German warship and was lost in the battle of May 31. Her captain could not bring the Eibing into port, and she was blown up after the crew had been taken off by torpedo boats. The loss of the Eibing has been referred to repeatedly in unofficial dispatches and accepted as authentic.

The statement continues: "It is asserted that the German fleet left the battle field, and that the English fleet remained master of the battle field. With regard to this it is stated that by repeated, effective attacks of our torpedo boats the fleet during the battle on the evening of May 31 the English main fleet was forced to turn round, and it never again came within sight of our forces. In spite of its superior speed and the loss of the Eibing, the statement says, the German fleet was not defeated. The statement also says that the German fleet was not defeated, and that the English fleet was not defeated."

"The English assertion that the English fleet was not defeated, in order to defeat it before reaching its home points of support is contradicted by the alleged official English statement that Admiral Jellicoe, with the British fleet, already had reached the Basin of Scapa Flow, in the Orkneys, 80 miles from the battle field, on June 1."

"Numerous German torpedo boats, sent out after the day for a night attack towards the north, and beyond the theatre of the day battle, did not find the English main fleet, in spite of a keen search. Moreover, our torpedo boats had an opportunity of rescuing a great number of English survivors of the various sunken vessels."

"As further proof of the fact, contested by the English, of the participation of their entire battle fleet in the battle of May 31, it is pointed out that the British admiralty report, announced that the Marborough, one of our submarines, on June 1, sighted another of the Iron Duke class, heavily damaged, steering towards the English coast. Both mentioned vessels belonged to the English main fleet."

Denies Mines Factor in British Losses.  
"In order to belittle the great German success the English press also traces the loss of numerous English vessels, largely to the effect of German mines, submarines and airships. Regarding this it is especially pointed out that neither mines, which by the way, would have been just as dangerous to our own fleet as to that of the enemy, nor submarines were employed by our high sea fleet. German airships were used exclusively for reconnaissance on June 1."

"The German victory was gained by able leadership and by the effect of our artillery and torpedo weapons. 'Until now we have refrained from contradicting many of the alleged official assertions regarding the German losses.'"

"The latest assertion, again and again repeated, is that the German fleet lost less than two vessels of the fleet class the Westfalen. Two battle cruisers, four small cruisers and a great number of torpedo boat destroyers."

"Moreover, the British indicate that the loss of the line of 13,000 tons from the year 1905, but a modern dreadnought of the same name. We state that the total loss of the German high sea fleet forces during the battle of May 31-June 1 are: One battle cruiser, one ship of the line of older construction, four small cruisers and five torpedo boats. The Pommeren, launched in 1905; the Westfalen, Eibing, Frauenlob and five torpedo boats already have been reported in official statements. For military reasons we refrained until now, making known the loss of the vessels Lutow and Rostock."

"In view of the wrong interpretation of this measure, and, moreover, in order to frustrate English legends about the losses on our side, these reasons must no longer be regarded."

"Both vessels were lost on the way to the harbor to be repaired, after attempts to keep the badly damaged vessels afloat had failed. The crews of both ships, including all the severely wounded, are safe."

"While the German list of losses is herewith closed, there is positive indication at hand that the actual British losses are materially higher than admitted. It has been established by us, on the basis of our own observations, and of what has been made public, as well as from statements of British prisoners, that in addition to the Westfalen, the Princess Royal and Birmingham were destroyed."

"According to reliable reports, the dreadnought Marborough also sank before reaching harbor."

"The high sea battle of the Skagerrack remains a German victory, which it already was even if the conclusions were based solely on the losses of ships admitted officially by the British. The total loss of 60,730 tons of German warships stands against that of 117,750 tons of the British."

## CONTRACTS AWARDED FOR NEW BRIDGES

At Government Meeting Which Ended Yesterday—Work on the Valley Railway.

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, June 8.—The Provincial Government's meeting here closed this afternoon with a session of the executive council following a meeting of the Board of Education at which Lieut.-Governor Wood presided.

Leave of absence was granted to Major F. A. Good, of the 140th Battalion and Q. M. Sgt. Eldon Merritt, of 140th Battalion, who are going overseas with their unit, and they each were granted three months' salary. Major Good has been on the faculty of the Provincial Normal School, and Q. M. Sgt. Merritt has been on the staff of Education office.

At the meeting of the government a number of contracts for new bridges were awarded, including that for the structure of James bridge in Queens county to Jos. McVay & Son, St. Stephen, the contract price being about \$20,000.

Hon. J. A. Murray left for his home at Sussex tonight, and Hon. Dr. Landry goes to River Glade tomorrow for a meeting of the Jordan Memorial Sanatorium Commission. Premier Clarke is still here and so is Hon. P. G. Mahoney.

The route of the St. John Valley Railway south of Gagetown towards St. John has not yet been definitely determined. The directors of St. John and Quebec Railway Company and members of the provincial government conferred on the subject and other matters in connection with the Valley Railway last night and were in session until midnight, but it was later announced that no decision had been definitely reached.

Premier Clarke said this morning, however, that delay in reaching a definite decision as to the route would not mean that construction work on the Nova Scotia Construction Company's contract could not be undertaken without delay. It explained that there were neutral portions of the line included in both routes on which work could proceed and that final decision as to the route would be made just as soon as final reports from the railway operations on the line would be in a short time.

In the meantime Nova Scotia Construction Company's officials are expected here tomorrow to open offices from which their operations on the line will be carried on, and also to formally close sub-contracts with four firms who are to undertake construction of ten-mile sections of the line to be built.

Mr. A. R. Gould, former president of the St. John and Quebec Railway, who was here yesterday, has returned to his home at Presque Isle.

ball last winter, but a guy of about his height and build and general appearance and who answers to his name has been seen playing with the Athletics this season, arousing the suspicion that Oldring reconsidered his determination to settle down on the Valley Railway and is now back in the Athletics ten years ago, having previously played with Hoboken and Montgomery, Ala. He was given a trial by the Yankees in 1905, but didn't make good in his home town.

OLD RUBE OLDING.  
Rubeen Oldring, the blonde-haired outfielder who is one of the handful of survivors of the Athletics, was thirty-two years old last Tuesday. Rube is so called because his name is Reuben, and not because he was born in New York city, although that might be sufficient reason. It will be remembered that Oldring announced his permanent retirement from base.

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## BEATTEY'S FLEET READY FOR ANOTHER ACTION AS BIG AS JUTLAND BATTLE

Some Stirring Incidents in Last Week's Naval Fight—Two Junior Officers Pick Unexploded Projectile from Smouldering Debris on Deck and Hurl it Overboard.

London, June 8.—"It is a tonic to visit Beatty's battle cruiser fleet, from which I have just returned," said a naval officer of high rank to the Associated Press today. He added:

"The officers and men are in splendid form. Instead of feeling depressed, they are inclined to feel sorry for the poor Germans. It is impossible to speak too highly of the officers and men of our destroyers, who were simply wonderful. They consistently held the upper hand in the greatest battle ever engaged in by these little war craft."

"Until we have Admiral Jellicoe's full report, which is being collected and disseminated as rapidly as possible, it is quite out of the question for me to give any more connected details of the battle than have been published. But I can relate a few incidents and give some impressions, which may show something of the spirit of our men. As for the fleet itself, it is quite ready for another battle as big as the Jutland action. The gallant exploit of the commander of a destroyer is one of the most striking incidents of the action, which abounded in extraordinary feats. This destroyer, fifth in the line, saw her four file leaders, one by one, put out of action, but kept ahead without swerving and got all her torpedoes home. She then discovered a great German battleship looming out of the mist so closely that when the enemy fired his big guns their blasts blew over the funnels and masts of the little war-

ship. She escaped without further damage."

Lion-Hearted Courage.  
"Another marvellous escape of one of our destroyers was discovered when a stoker reported himself wounded. But as no shell had struck the ship, the commander declined to believe the man. He, however, reported himself again the next morning as a casualty and showed the commander a 12-inch unexploded projectile which had dropped through the hatchway into the hold."

"A similar incident occurred aboard the battle cruiser Lion, where two junior officers from the fighting top saw an unexploded 12-inch projectile lying on the deck in some burning debris. These officers ran to the fire and extinguished it and threw the projectile overboard."

"I was surprised on my return here, where I saw for the first time the official German admission of casualties and personnel, which show from the numbers known to have been engaged that the losses of German ships must have been greater than our estimate."

"Our officers admit that the German gunnery was good, but not as destructive as ours. At first that was much in their favor, but, towards the end, our maneuvering changed this. The result was, in the general opinion of the officers and men of our ships which were engaged in the action, that the German fleet received such a straining that it is not likely to make sea for six months."

Special to The Standard.  
Summerside, P. E. I., June 8.—The 33rd annual session of the N. B. and P. E. I. Island conference convened in the Methodist church, Summerside, this morning at 9 o'clock. Rev. Richard O'Leary, president of the conference, occupied the chair and conducted the opening devotional exercises. The roll call discovered 74 ministers present and 29 laymen. The conference chose as its president for the coming church year, the Rev. Thos. Hicks, who has been recently appointed to the charge of Carmichael street church, St. John.

Rev. C. W. Squire, D.D., of Campbellton, was elected secretary; Rev. E. E. Styles, Journal secretary, and Revs. H. A. Brown and Geo. Morris assistant secretaries.

The afternoon session was occupied largely with the reception of delegates. His Worship Mayor Jardine conveyed the civic greetings, to which a suitable reply was made by Rev. George Steel, D.D., Rev. H. J. Fraser representing the Presbyterian church, and Rev. E. A. Aklund representing the Baptist church conveyed the greetings of their respective denominations.

Commenting, Tuesday, June 13th, westbound.  
Sunday, June 11th, eastbound.

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## PARENTS OF JOS. PLUNKETT ARE RELEASED

Three Sons were Implicated in Irish Rebellion—Ordered to Leave Dublin.

London, June 8.—Count and Countess Plunkett, who were arrested early last month, shortly after the suppression of the Irish rebellion, were released from custody last Wednesday and ordered to leave Dublin by next Saturday, according to a Central News despatch from Dublin today.

Three sons of Count Plunkett (George Noble Plunkett) were implicated in the Irish revolt. One of them, Joseph Plunkett, was executed, and death sentences on the two others, George and John Plunkett, were commuted to sentences of ten years penal servitude.

A lady of great beauty and attractiveness, who was an ardent admirer of Ireland, once crowned her praise of it at a party by saying:

"I think I was meant for an Irish woman."

"Madam," replied a witty son of Erin, who happened to be present, "thousands would back me in saying you were meant for an Irishman."

## STEAMBOAT INSPECTION SERVICE

The U. S. Steamboat Inspection Service, up to June 1, issued certificates as able seamen to 30,678 men, of whom 6,602 were native and 2,165 naturalized Americans.

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