

SEMENDRIA, EAST OF BELGRADE, IS CAPTURED BY THE GERMANS

Teutons Fighting Their Way Fiercely

By Special Wire to the Courier. Berlin, Oct. 12.—Via London, 3.25 p.m.—The Serbian city of Semendria, on the Danube, east of Belgrade, has been captured by the Germans.

Paris, Oct. 12.—Although Belgrade had been evacuated, the Matin's correspondent at Nish, in a despatch filed Sunday, said the fighting continued subterfuge on the hills surrounding the city, some of which had been taken and retaken several times.

Artillery on both sides," the despatch says, "has been firing without respite for three days. The Serbians gained the advantage again this morning when they captured excellent positions near Topcider and drove the Germans back on a suburb of Belgrade called Great Vratchar, where a fierce struggle is going on.

The invaders threw over 50,000 shells on Belgrade, sparing neither hospitals nor churches. Synagogues were destroyed, and Jewish families who had taken refuge there were buried in the ruins.

MANY CIVILIANS PERISHED London, Oct. 12.—"Many civilian inhabitants of Belgrade, especially women and children, perished in the Austro-German bombardment," says the Daily Telegraph's Nish correspondent.

The correspondent says the peaceful inhabitants, taken by surprise hurriedly fled from the city, but as the roads leading from it were kept under an incessant artillery fire they underwent terrible suffering.

There were desperate combats for the positions south of Ram, where we repulsed all enemy attacks. Our troops took the offensive between Malava and the Morava River, throwing the enemy back upon the bank of the Danube and capturing three mortars and four machine guns.

Continued passage of the river between Semendria and Codominis by the enemy was prevented. One detachment had crossed near Semendria when it was annihilated in part by our troops and the rest of the troops were driven into the stream.

On the Drina front several detachments of Austro-Germans crossed the river between Tlarsa Bara and Badovintze, but were unable to advance. We held our positions.

SIR G. FOSTER TO SPEAK HERE OCTOBER 21ST In Company With Hon. G. P. Graham to Give Opening Address.

Mr. W. F. Cocksitt, M. P., telegraphed, Hon. George Foster asking him to be one of the speakers at the opening meeting of the Brant County Recruiting League, on Thursday Oct. 21st—Trafalgar Day.

An answer was returned that he had made arrangements to speak in Chatham on Oct. 18th. If he would change to the 21st he would come to Brantford from there.

BRITISH SUB SINKS STEAMER

By Special Wire to the Courier. Copenhagen, Oct. 12.—A German coal steamer has been sunk near Calmar Sound, Sweden, by a submarine—probably an English boat, the crew was saved.

ALLIED RAID ON GHENT

By Special Wire to the Courier. Amsterdam, Oct. 12, via London—Press despatches state a recent raid of allied aviators on Ghent and the neighboring town of Gontrode was so successful that not a single hangar on the German aviation grounds was left standing.

TWO YOUNG LADIES VICTIM OF ACCIDENT

Standing Yesterday on Apron of Wilkes' Dam, When Two Shots Were Heard and Two Bullets Struck Them—Injuries Not Serious.

A shooting mishap took place yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock at Wilkes' Dam and it was very fortunate that it did not end in a tragedy. Miss Best, Secretary of the Y. W. C. A., Miss Bessie Johnson, Miss Gillet and Miss Bernard, both the latter on the staff of the Kitchen Overall Company, took advantage of the fine day to take a walk to the dam.

his 22 Winchester Rifle apparently not noticing anybody near. The injured ladies were carried to Mr. S. Yardley's house and Dr. Pearson summoned. He dressed the wounds and then took Miss Gillet in his car to the hospital, and Miss Johnson home. Pollock, who was very much upset by the occurrence, did everything in his power to assist the victims.

Corp. Orr Arrived Here Quietly on Sunday Night

Corporal Herb ("Jake") Orr, of the 4th Battalion, who was wounded at Langemarck and subsequently discharged on account of wounds, arrived home Sunday night on the 7.33 train. No reception of any kind was held, as by young Orr's request, his father did not give out the time of his arrival.

Corporal Orr was wounded seven times at Langemarck and has been ever since in the doctor's hands, yet considering all he has passed through, looks very well. He walks about with the aid of a cane, but in all probability will be able to dispense with all such support in a few months.



NEW GRECIAN POLICY IS THE SAME AS OLD

So Says Premier Zaimis, Who States Greece Will be Armed Neutral.

By Special Wire to the Courier. London, Oct. 12.—The Greek chamber was informed by Premier Zaimis at a meeting yesterday, that in order to better assure the vital interests of Greece, her neutrality "will for the present be armed."

Transportation of 10,879,431 short tons of freight through the American and Canadian canals at Sault Ste. Marie in September, established a new high record for that month.

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LONDON TIMES VERY GLOOMY ABOUT RUSSIA

Does Not Possess the Industrial Background to Equip Her Army.

HER LOSSES IN MEN VERY GREAT Carnage in This War on a Scale Five Times as Large as the Russo-Japanese Debacle.

London, Oct. 12.—The enormous drain on Russia's supply of men and the financial strain upon the country are emphasized by The Times' Russian correspondent in a review of the situation in the east.

COULD NOT DO IT. She strove hard," the correspondent declares, "to meet the demands for ammunition, but she possesses neither the industrial background, the skilled hands nor the industrial mobility to support her army adequately.

RUSSIAN MONEY DEPRECIATING. "It should be remembered that the Russian ruble has depreciated 40 per cent, that Russia raises nothing by the sale of spirits and scarcely anything by her tariff on imports and she also has greater difficulty in borrowing in America.

SERIOUS OUTLOOK. "For the time being she continues to hold her own. Soldiers wages and army bills are paid with admirable punctuality and there is a feeling that all supplies will be obtained easily if once the Dardanelles are taken.

LOSSES VERY HEAVY. Taking up Russia's enormous losses in men, the correspondent says they undoubtedly are much greater than generally supposed.

Another Brantford minister has accepted an offer to go as Chaplain to the front.

Yesterday Rev. C. V. Lester, rector of St. Jude's church received the following cablegram: "Lt.-Col. Rev. C. V. Lester, Brantford. Have recommended you as Chaplain. Do you accept? Wire."

Colliers East. For having consigned for sale gooseberries affected with American mildew, Esther Briggs, at Guildford, London, was fined \$5.

While cycling along the County Down coast, Ireland, recently, a butcher named McGahey, who says he is deaf, failed to answer a sentry's challenge, and was shot through the lungs.

Mr. William Henry Lynn the Irish architect, whose plans for the new Government offices and Parliament House at Sydney, New South Wales, won first place in the open competition, died in Belfast, recently, aged 86.

For refusing to register on the ground that she was a government worker and exempt, Mrs. Rainey, of Albert road, Aldershot, England, was fined £1 1s.

BULGARIAN FORCES ATTACK SERBS; EVERYWHERE ARE BEATEN BACK

ROUMANIA FOR THE ENTENTE

By Special Wire to the Courier. Paris, Oct. 12.—Premier Bratianu of Roumania has given the Italian government to understand that Roumanian co-operation on the side of the entente may be considered certain, says a despatch from Rome.

GETTING ALBANIA AGAINST SERBIA

By Special Wire to the Courier. Rome, Oct. 12.—Austria and Germany are urging the Albanians to fight against Serbia to "free Macedonia," which is inhabited about equally by Albanians and Bulgarians, according to a despatch from Bari.

Two Balkan States are Now at War Again.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Paris, Oct. 12, 11.40 a.m.—Bulgarian troops invaded Serbia last night.

London, Oct. 12.—1.55 p.m.—The Serbian legation to-day received this telegram from Nish: "Last night Bulgarians began an attack in the direction of Vlaslava. All attacks up to the present have been repulsed decisively."

NO SURPRISE. Opening of hostilities against Serbia by Bulgaria has been a foregone conclusion since the rupture between Bulgaria and the Allies.

Kniashevatz, near which point the Bulgars are reported to have invaded Serbia is on a branch line railroad running from Nish to Zajecar, a fortified town on the Serbian frontier.

Vaslovice, is probably intended for Vlasovince, a Serbian town 25 miles southeast of Nish. It lies eight miles east of Serbian railroad running north and south between Nish and Uskub and is about twenty miles west of the Bulgarian frontier on a latitudinal line with Sofia.

The Serbian railroad, which is the objective of the Bulgarian army in this region as it serves as the main road over which Anglo-French trench troops landed at Saloniki, Greece, can be transported into Northern Serbia, runs parallel to the Bulgarian western frontier at a distance varying from 18 to 36 miles. Vlasovince has a population of 4,000.

LT. COL. ASHTON IS NOW COMMANDER OF BRIGADE

Announcement Made Officially at Ottawa Yesterday of His Promotion.

Ottawa, Oct. 12.—Announcement has been made in militia orders that Lieut.-Col. E. C. Ashton, of the 38th battalion; Lieut.-Col. H. J. Cowan of the 32nd battalion, and Lieut.-Col. S. M. Rogers, of the 9th battalion, have been appointed to command brigades in the Canadian training division, Canadian expeditionary force, England. They have been granted the temporary rank of colonel.



Lieut. A. H. G. Kemball, of the 107 East Kootenay Regiment, has been granted the temporary rank of lieutenant-colonel while commanding the 54th overseas battalion.

Body of Blind Lad Was Found in the Mill Race

The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Vernon B. Morrison, a 12-year old pupil at the School for the Blind, was cleared up about 9.30 on Sunday morning.

Dr. Fissette, coroner, was notified, and the tattered remains to Beckett's undertaking establishment.

The relatives and Manitoba authorities had been notified and in response the father came here from Winnipeg, grandfather from Gaipeau, and Mr. Baker, Manitoba Inspector of Public Institutions, together with Principal Gardiner, George Myerson, buscar, and Supervisor Green, they went carefully over the ground and came to the unanimous decision that the sad event was the result of a mishap.

The interment takes place in Winnipeg.

REV. C. V. LESTER HAS ANSWERED DUTY'S CALL

Was Asked by Colonel Ashton to Become Brigade Chaplain, and He Replied Accepting the Offer—All Eligible Members of His Congregation Are Already Gone.

Another Brantford minister has accepted an offer to go as Chaplain to the front.

"I accept with pleasure. Many thanks." Mr. Lester, who came to Brantford some two years ago from a parish in Tara, has made a large circle of friends here. It is a notable fact that all the able bodied men in his church have already enlisted and now he is also a volunteer.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Montreal, Oct. 12.—The Dominion Coal Company has abandoned hope for the safety of its colliers Kron Prince Olav and Eastington, which left Sydney, N.S., on September 25, the former for Montreal and the latter for St. John, N.B. The two ships ran into a hurricane on September 28.

By Special Wire to the Courier. Vancouver, B.C., Oct. 12.—Over 400 tons of opium, valued at one hundred thousand dollars, were found by the police on the C. P. R. Steamer Montague, recently arrived from the Orient.

HONORED BY BOY SCOUTS LAST NIGHT

Signaller Douglas Jones the Recipient of an Address From Boy Scouts.

Dear Douglas.—We the officers and members of Brant Avenue Boy Scouts No. 7 Troop, of which you have been a faithful and efficient officer, desire to place on record our appreciation of you as Assit. Scoutmaster, and to assure you of how proud we are of your many stand in giving your services to your King and Country in a cause which needs no comment from us.

The address, which was the work of Mr. David Husband, was beautifully engrossed and bordered by the flags of the allied powers.

Signaller Douglas Jones of the 98th Battalion, who returned to Niagara Camp to-day, was waited on at his home last night by the members of the Brant Avenue Boy Scouts, Troop No. 7, and presented with an illuminated scroll and testimonial.

In expressing his thanks, Douglas stated that his signalling was begun with the Scouts and urged the young members to continue in this work with a view to fitting them for military service.

The following is the address Signaller Douglas Jones 98th Battalion C. E. F.

VIATOR'S TRIP

Altitude of feet.

Enemy—Ex-Air Scout.

French position.

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