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## The Situation.

The main forces of the Serbians continue to fall back on Macedonia, and they are fighting every inch of the way, but from appearances can hardly escape the Bulgarian-German nutcrackers without, at any rate, very great loss. It transpires that the French have not occupied Veles, as previously reported, but their troops and those of the British are commencing to prove more and more of a factor.

The Russian official reports still relate a reassuring condition of affairs in the Eastern theatre. The Huns have spent their bolt there, and the troops of the Czar are commencing to have their innings.

Submarine warfare is again very much to the fore, this time in the Mediterranean. German and Austrian undersea craft are both at the game, and they have a large field to work on in view of the many troops now under transportation in that region.

## The Sinking of the Ancona.

The sending to the bottom of the Ancona has all the earmarks of a second Lusitania tragedy, only in some respects a little more so.

The vessel, in the first place, was outward, and not inward, bound, so that any idea of contraband of war aboard was altogether out of the question. In the second place, her passenger list must have been known to consist largely of women and children.

That a warning was given is alleged, but if so, under such circumstances as to have made it an absolute farce. Shots were fired, apparently out of pure devilment, and the resulting panic was only what might have been expected under such circumstances.

The submarine displayed the Austrian flag, but that does not in any sense establish the fact that the craft was not in reality German. In any event, the whole wantonly murderous incident was eminently characteristic of the Huns. The entire incident is simply one more evidence of the frightfulness for which the doctrine of Kultur stands.

There were Americans on board, and great indignation is voiced among many of our neighbors, but a note is about all that can be expected from Washington in the light of previous experiences. It is about up to Uncle Sam, instead of preparing sharp fulminations against John Bull, who has conducted a blockade with scrupulous care, to take some firm and definite stand towards the men steeped in blood-guiltiness.

Philadelphia is urged to abolish school vacations.

## The Looming Large of the Balkans.

When the Balkan States were at war with each other not so very long ago, very few people outside of their sphere, took much interest. They put the struggle down to petty jealousies, internal and otherwise, and most of those who gave the subject any attention at all had an idea that the scope of these peoples could never amount to much more than that.

We all know better now. The world has suddenly realized that the said States control the high road from Northern Europe to the Orient, and the Germans have manifested for some time been seized of the fact that they form a straight road from Berlin to the far East. Without seeking to analyze how it was done, the Kaiserites up to date, have undoubtedly played their cards well in the matter of securing Bulgarian support, rendering Greece inactive on behalf of her ally Serbia, and in causing Roumania to sit on the fence.

To revert to the conflict over smaller issues and the outcome thereof in the distribution of territory taken from Turkey.

"Serbia, with the smallest territory before the war received 39,000 square kilometres, of which 15,000 were fertile, and added 1,200,000 to her population.

Greece, next smallest in area and population, gained 54,000 square kilometres, of which 28,000 were fertile, and added 1,600,000 to her population.

Bulgaria, the largest in area and population, received only 15,000 square kilometres, of which none were fertile, and added only 400,000 to its population.

The above is the Bulgarian claim, and helps to explain much of the reason why she was so open to the wiles of the Kaiser and his associates.

Meanwhile the present position of affairs is as follows:—

For the Allies—To hold the Balkan States intact as far as possible, as a solid wall or buffer between the Austro-Germans in the north and their imperial goal in the south: Turkey, the Dardanelles, Egypt and the East.

For the Austro-Germans—To divide the Balkans as much as possible, state against state, with a predominating state, Bulgaria, favorable to the Austro-Germans aim of a direct route from Germany to Turkey and the Orient.

This shift of the Balkan issue, making it part of a great international game instead of a petty struggle of small states, has come about within the last few months. The allied powers were slow in realizing it, and their negotiations with Bulgaria and Serbia up to a recent date treated the question as the old fight over territory in Macedonia. But all the time Germany was setting the scenes in the larger drama—the winning of Bulgaria and the linking of the Central Powers to Turkey and the near East.

This is why the Balkans to-day are filling a larger part in the public eye than almost all the other areas of conflict. John Bull and his associates got in on a bad start, but they will make good before the game is over—this as well as in all other directions.

Brooklyn, N.Y., is soon to open 30 new streets.

Damage of \$5,000 was done to store windows of Detroit by a vandal with a diamond ring.

## FINE RECEPTION AT AYR TO THE 25TH DRAGOONS

Paris Squadron of the Red Coats Marched to Ayr and Were Received by Address of Welcome From the Reeve—Patriotic Speeches by Major Patterson and Colonel Muir.

Yesterday the Town of Ayr tendered a most enthusiastic reception to the Paris squadron of the 25th Dragoons Overseas contingent. The squadron left Paris at 10 o'clock and marched via the Galt road and then westerly to Ayr, arriving at Ayr at 12.30. The roads were in excellent condition and the magnificent country through which the troops marched evinced all signs of Canadian prosperity. Motors gaily decorated met the troops on the outskirts of the town together with the Ayr brass band. The business street and residences were decorated with flags and bunting and the people turned out en masse. At Ayr a march through the principal streets the procession proceeded to the High School grounds where the school children sang patriotic songs and waved many flags. John B. Folseter, Reeve of Ayr, read the following address:

"Soldiers of B Squadron of the Brant Dragoons:—

We welcome you to our village. The high and exalted emotions of patriotism rises for above all means of selfish things, and prompts to deeds of self sacrifice, of valor, of devotion, and of death itself. That is a public virtue; it is the noblest of all virtues and the highest of all duties. It is the country's good. It is the call of the King and Country, you have responded to, and while you proceed with the noble task to which you have devoted your lives and your fortunes, let this thought enrapure and invigorate your hearts—that in fighting for the empire you are endeavoring to preserve her from the seduction of a powerful and highly organized enemy, who has transgressed the laws of nations and changed the ordinance that binds the civilized world together. The men in khaki are the real aristocrats of Canada to-day, whatever their civilian lot in life has been.

The time will come when King and country will call for no more men; but the time will never come when the conscience of the man who knows that he ought to go and serve his country and hangs back will be still. It will be a reproach in all the years that these men have yet to live that they let their friends do their fighting for them.

The sight of the marching troops, while it wrings the hearts of women, must steel the hearts of men to take their places by the side of those who have some with a fair complement aboard; others half empty. All drifted away from each other.

One of the survivors, in describing his experience, said: "The boat in which I found myself contained thirty members of my crew and three passengers, an Italian woman and her child beside myself. I am certain fully half of those aboard perished. Some time after we entered the lifeboat, we heard four explosions indicating the end of the Ancona. We remained in the boats all night and were picked up in the morning by a British steamer which brought us to Malta."

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## BATTALIONS ARE OFFERED TO OTTAWA

Toronto May Raise Twenty Before Spring, and Maritime Provinces Three.

Ottawa, Nov. 10.—Gen. Sir Sam Hughes expects that Toronto will raise twenty battalions before spring. He stated to-day that he believed this could be done easily.

Organization plans are being perfected covering the whole country, and when these are completed Gen. Hughes may take a trip to the West. He goes to Halifax at the end of the week, and will visit St. John on his return.

In the meantime more offers of battalions are coming in to the Department daily.

Col. George Fowler, M.P., has raised one battalion in New Brunswick, has now offered to raise another.

Mr. S. A. Siddall has offered to raise one in Westmorland, and still another is offered from New Brunswick by Col. Kedderburn.

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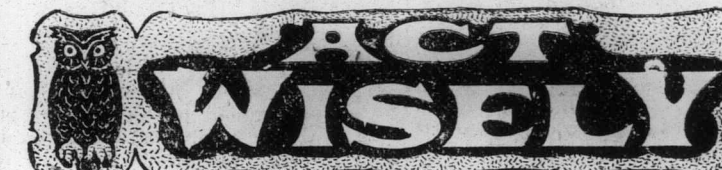
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## Proposed Plan Open to Objection

Control of Ontario Military Hospital Should be Vested in the Government.

Toronto, Nov. 11.—Expressing the strongest criticism of the proposed plan for selecting the staff of the Ontario Military Hospital, now being organized in England, as entirely at variance with the regular military practice, and as taking the entire control away from the Province of Ontario, which has made the splendid gift, Lieut.-Col. F. W. Marlow, assistant director of medical services for the division, declared yesterday that the announcement as to how the staff would be selected will mean that a number of the most distinguished practitioners and consultants in Toronto and throughout the province will feel obliged to withdraw their names, as the arrangement is one which such medical men should not be obliged to submit to.

The plan as announced for the appointment of the staff is to have the hospital commandant and the heads of the medical and surgical wings selected from among Canadian medical officers at present in England or on the Continent, the Canadian authorities in London making the selection. All other doctors on the staff are to be nominated, according to the plan, by the Ontario Government, but with the all-important proviso that they will not be given their rank till they reach England.

In discussing the matter yesterday, Col. Marlow explained that in every unit which has left Canada, including the University of Toronto Hospital, the commanding officer has been named by Ottawa in the regular way, and he has then made the selection of his staff. Thus every officer knows what his position will be and can decide whether he desires to serve under or with certain other officers. In the case of the University Hospital, Toronto University had the selection of the staff, and this procedure Colonel Marlow considered, should be followed in the case of the Ontario Hospital, where the Ontario Government should have the appointment of the commandant, and in consultation with him the selection of the entire staff.

Failing this, it is extremely improbable that many medical men will feel inclined to give up their practices on the chance that they may receive sub-

ordinate positions to men who have not their medical standing in the community, particularly as many of the doctors who might thus be superseded already hold commissions in the Army Medical Corps.

Hotels Want  
Order Defined

Soldiers Are Being Refused Entrance to Hotel Dining Rooms.

Toronto, Nov. 11.—Some modification in the terms of the "out of bounds" military orders in the Toronto and London districts, or rather a clearer definition of what is "out of bounds," is likely to result from representations being made on behalf of the hotelkeepers.

It is pointed out that the military orders, supported as they are by the Provincial License Board, not only make a hotelkeeper responsible for refusing liquor to soldiers, but for keeping them out of his dining-room or any other part of the hotel premises. As a matter of law the hotelkeeper has no right to refuse accommodation to any person demanding it, except under certain conditions, and is within the law in doing so only where the License Board so orders. The License Board, under the special Act of last session has the power to forbid the sale of liquor to soldiers, but its power, it is stated, does not go further.

However it is stated that the commission has no intention of preventing men in uniform being served with meals or sleeping accommodation, but the hotelkeepers have nothing authoritative to go upon, and since they will keep upon the safe side the result is likely to be unnecessary inconvenience and annoyance to uniformed men.

The alternative course to a change in the military orders, making the "out of bounds" order refer to the sale of liquor only would be for the License Board to announce that it will hold the hotelkeepers responsible only to the extent of refusing liquor to men in uniform.

The attention of the military authorities were drawn yesterday to the text of the order posted re the hotels and shops. This stated that the hotels and shops be placed out of bounds. The order, of course, was a purely military one, but is supported by the board through its control over the licensees.

## LOCAL

**MEDICAL MEN MEET**  
The medical men of the city are holding a meeting at the city hall to-night.

**SCHOOL OPENING**  
The opening of No. 6 school will take place on Thursday, Nov. 18th. A splendid program prepared and no doubt a large attendance of the public.

## LICENSE BOARD.

The Ontario License Board, which Mr. Flavelle is chairing, their first visit to Brantford. The session will be held at the Court House at 10 o'clock when applications for renewals will be considered. The board is also likely to be in session.

## POLICE COURT

A few minor cases were heard by Magistrate Livingstone at the local police court, man, drunk in charge of a car with \$5 as a result of his Chas. Truckle, charged with driving and abusive language and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

## SOLDIERS' WIVES MEET

The regular meeting of the wives, and mothers, was held Tuesday evening in the P. School room. The Session was taken by Mrs. Gardner, address was given by Mrs. on Personal Experience in Miss A. Garton sang a sweetly. These meetings, appreciated by those who was decided to hold the meetings in the future.

## CARPET BALL

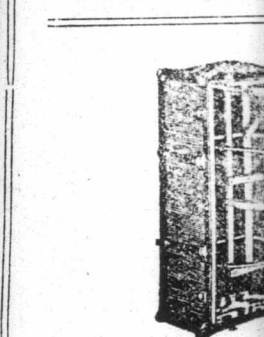
The champion Beaver team defeated the Salisbury S.O.E. carpetballers last night. The Beavers won quite a East Ward rollers look just as ever. Albert Mears at the helm.

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