SENATOR LANDRY ON POPE'S LETTER

Says French Catholics Will Not Refuse Holy Father's Request.

PUTS BLAME ON IRISH

Says Race Has Betrayed the French and Helped the Orangemen.

Special to The Toronto World.

Montreal, Oct. 31.—Hon. Senator P. Landry, after saying that the people should be grateful to the Pope for his effort to settle the difficulties between the English and French-speaking Catholics, declared "that there are profound dissensions between English and French Catholics no one can deny. We have begun together the battle against Orange fanatics in the Province of Ontario; yet when the combat was at its height the Irish Catholic element turned their arms against us, almost all of them separating themselves from us to fight us with the ammunition we had supplied them and placed themselves alongside our common enemy, the Orange group. It is this desertion which threatens to compromise the existence of the separate school, and to which the Holy See wishes to put an end in grouping into one phalanx all Catholics of the English and French tongue. We cannot but applaud the paternal effort and we French Catholics will certainly not refuse the father of the faithful to contribute for our part to the union of all members under the shadow of the Catholic school. We can suppress this race rivalry if each will combat the common enemy, but this can never be if one race is to betray the other and throw itself into the arms of the enemy in order to combat the rights of fathers of families and to tear from the children's mouths the sacred tongue learned at their mother's knee."

NEWSPAPERS SOON WILL BE FIVE CENTS EACH

Buffalo Newspaper Man Says Time is Not Far Distant When Price Will Go Up.

Hamilton, Wednesday, Nov. 1.—William P. Goodspeed, general manager of The Buffalo Evening News, and president of the Buffalo Ad Club, was the guest of honor and principal speaker at the luncheon of the Hamilton Ad Club, held at the Royal Connaught Hotel last evening. He outlined the work done by the Buffalo organization and how it was the sponsor of the slogan of the Bison city, "Buffalo Means Business."

Mr. Goodspeed predicted that owing to the increase in the cost of white paper the time was not far distant when every newspaper published in America would not be sold for less than five cents a copy. Newspaper advertising was much more beneficial and cheaper than circulars and letters, he proved.

Today advertising in the newspapers was looked upon as news.

KAISER PRAISES MACKENSEN.

Amsterdam, Oct. 31.—(Via London, 9.32 a.m.)—Emperor William, says an official announcement made in Berlin, has sent a message to Field Marshal Von Mackensen, thanking him for the successful operations he has conducted in Dobrudja and the capture of Tchernavoda. The emperor announces that West Prussian Infantry Regiment No. 129 will henceforth bear Field Marshal Von Mackensen's name.

SLINGSBY APPEAL DEFERRED.

London, Oct. 31.—(11.45 a.m.)—The house of lords today granted postponement until Dec. 1 of the hearing of the appeal of the Slingsby legitimacy case, from the judgment of the court of appeals. The application for postponement was made on the ground that the appellant is not in possession of the necessary funds to prosecute the appeal.

W. C. T. U. Played Important Part in Prohibition Law

Hamilton, Wednesday, Nov. 1.—At the afternoon session of the thirty-ninth annual convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, Mrs. E. A. Stevens, Toronto, in submitting her report, referred with pride to the part the association has played in bringing about a dry Ontario.

She referred to the wonderful results of prohibition, and the few police court cases. The decrease in arrests for drunkenness during the first week of prohibition was 247, she said. She hoped Quebec would soon take the plunge. High tribute was paid to the Ontario Legislature for the placing prohibition measures on the statute books.

The report of the missionary secretary, Mrs. Dettor, of North Bay, showed a balance on hand of $3616.73.

WOOD PULP REQUIRES CONSERVATION POLICY

Otherwise Supply May Disappear in Quarter of a Century.

EVIDENCE OF EXPERT

Pulp Makers Look for Foreign Market After the War.

Montreal, Oct. 31.—The disappearance of the wood pulp supply in Canada during the next twenty-five years, if conservation measures were not adopted, was prophesied before the Dominion Royal Commission at its session this morning by Ellwood Wilson, an expert on the paper industry. Mr. Wilson stated that three things were essential to the protection of the pulp industry in this country; one was the adoption of a scientific scheme of reforestation, another a proper system of fire protection such as had been adopted in British Columbia and on the lands under the control of the Laurentide interests on the Ottawa and St. Maurice Rivers, and also a system that would do away with the dangerous disposal of waste that now prevails in the forests thruout Canada. Mr. Wilson stated that during the past 35 years thirty per cent. of the pulp wood lands of Canada had been burned over and rendered useless for generations to come.

May Find New Field.

Carl Riordon explained how the long haul to Europe with its consequent high freight rates made it almost impossible for Canadian paper or pulp manufacturers to compete with the manufacturers of pulp in Europe, who are located principally in Sweden and Norway. He stated, however, that when the war was over it was expected that with the higher taxes that would prevail in Europe, the higher cost of production and the higher cost of capital, that the price of the European pulp would increase materially, with the result that the Canadian manufacturers might find a new field for their output.

NEXT BRITISH MAIL.

The next British and foreign mail (via England) carrying registered and letter matter only, will close at the general postoffice as follows: The regular mail will close at 6.00 a.m. today; 1st supplementary mail at 3.00 p.m. and second supplementary mail at 6.00 p.m. In order to insure connection, it is recommended that matter be mailed in time for despatch by either of the first mails. Parcel post mail will be closed at the general postoffice at 8.00 p.m. today.

WAR SUMMARY

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

(Continued From Page 1.)

wide flanking movements over difficult mountains, but nevertheless, they are making steady, tho slow progress. He omits to mention that the wide flanking movement of the Germans by way of the Vulcan Pass has been converted into a reverse for them.

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The Russians have started another battle in the region west of Lutsk, in Volhynia, by capturing front line German trenches and thereby provoking counter-attacks. In order to relieve the Russian pressure the Germans and Turks launched another onset in the form of several successive attacks in the region of Brzezany. The Russians say that these efforts made no progress. They also report that a heavy artillery action is proceeding in the wooded Carpathians and that their scouts are conducting reconnaissances. In brief, the Russians appear to be testing the strength of the German positions in the mountains.

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The operations of the British and French armies in the west are yet at a standstill owing to the heavy rains. The artillery of the allies, however, continues to make up in some measure for the absence of the infantry activity. The Germans have also been liberal with their bombardments. British guns and trench mortars shelled the enemy about the Hohenzollern Redoubt and La Basee Canal. The foe displayed vigor in his shelling in the Ypres area, at Hebuterne and south of the Ancre. The Stuff and Schwaben Redoubts and the Regina Trench were particular objects for hostile attention. The French engaged in lively intermittent artillery fighting in the region of Sailly and the St. Pierre Vaast Wood.

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The total British losses in October on all the fronts are given as 107,033, the daily average being 3453. The August British casualties were 127,945, and in September they were 119,549. Of the 107,033 given in the casualty lists for October 22,859 are given as killed.

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In the course of the violent battle in the southern bend of the Cerna River, in which the Serbians are engaging the Bulgarians and Germans, they have made further slight progress. The French have also advanced west of Lake Presba, and they have occupied the Singieri monastery. The British fought a sharp action near Kalendra. Their aeroplanes dropped bombs on the railway bridge at Simsirri, east of Drama, and did some damage. Italian artillery is being employed northwest of Doiran.

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The Italians report an increase in the volume of the Austrian artillery fire in the Sugana Valley, at the head of the Vanci Cismon Valley, and along the Julian front. They add that their batteries replied with great intensity.

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In Persia the Russians are continuing their advance on Hamadan, along the Bagdad road, and they have taken two more villages. West of Trebizond, in Armenia, they have dispersed Turkish forces along the Koroun Darasi River by a sharp attack, and they also repelled an attack by strong reconnoitring patrols of Turks northwest of Gumuskhanah, and south of Kigi, 45 miles west of Trebizond. A big battle is being fought with the Turks near Bidjar. It began four days ago.

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A typical example of German diplomacy is seen in the dealing with Norway. The government of the kaiser is endeavoring to intimidate the Scandinavian kingdom as a result of the exclusion of submarines from Norwegian waters. This same action had been taken by Holland and Sweden, and it has been passed over by Germany, because the neutrality of Holland and Sweden is valuable to her. But in the case of Norway Germany sees an opportunity of displaying her system of diplomacy in all its tone of bluff and bluster. This peculiarity of the Teuton foreign policy is what is known as militarism, coupling every demand with a threat of war. Whether Norway and Germany will go to war has not yet been determined.

MONTREAL FINANCIERS SCOUT TALE OF PLOT

Charges of Boston Man Declared to Be Without Foundation.

JUST FANTASTIC YARN

Reported Financial Machinations Are Not Seriously Regarded.

Montreal, Oct. 31.—Local bankers do not attach any importance to the statement made in general terms by Thomas Curtin of Boston and published in London and New York that the Deutsche Bank is entrenched behind powerful Anglo-German backing and that Germany has powerful friends in Montreal and all thru South America. They point out that trading with Germany in any form is absolutely closed down, and any Germans that are still at liberty in the city are regarded as thoroly harmless. One wealthy German is a director of the Bank of Montreal, but since the war he has not taken any part in the affairs of the bank, and the rest of the directorate are such that they would not for a moment countenance anything which had even a suggestion of backing up any German interests. There is very little German capital in any of the big business enterprises of the city.

It is also recalled here that some years ago when the old Sovereign Bank enlarged its capital J. P. Morgan and the Dresdner Bank took up the majority of the new stock, but this bank has since gone out of business.

Sir Frederick Williams Taylor, general manager of the Bank of Montreal, when asked for an opinion about the article, said:

"I give no credence whatever to the suggestion that there are important interests in Montreal friendly to Germany behind the Deutsche Bank."

ARTILLERY BATTLE PROCEEDS IN WEST

Efforts of Allies Consist Only of Local Operations.

BIG FIGHTS TO COME

Crown Prince Prepares for Attempt to Regain Verdun Positions.

BY ARTHUR S. DRAPER.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

London, Oct. 31.—The French and the British carried out several attacks on the Somme front today, but the continued bad weather confined them to local operations. Nowhere were they successful in piercing the enemy's defences. East of Les Boeufs a British assault was broken up by the fire of the German guns. French attempts to break the enemy's hold on La Maisonete also failed. Foch sent strong forces against the trenches south of Blaches, against Ablaincourt and on both sides of the Chaulnes-Lihons road, but they were unable to penetrate the enemy's curtain of fire and reach the positions.

The artillery struggle here and on the Meuse front continued without pause all day. As the allied forces are preparing for new assaults in the sector south of Bapaume, troops of the crown prince are getting ready for the attempt to wrest Douaumont and the Haudremont quarries from Petain. With clearing weather extensive fighting will probably develop on both these fronts.

BRITAIN CANNOT YET RECOGNIZE VENIZELOS

Majority of Greeks Must First Show Leaning Toward Him.

London, Oct. 31.—Replying in the house of commons today to criticism alleging that the British foreign office was propping up King Constantine of Greece by withholding recognition of ex-Premier Venizelos, who is head of the new movement in opposition to the Greek Government, thus promoting pro-Germanism in Greece, Lord Robert Cecil, minister of war trade, while deprecating the discussion of delicate foreign relations, protested in the strongest possible manner against the allegation.

He said the government had acted thruout in closest concert with all the allies, and whenever it was found that a majority of the Greek people recognized Venizelos as their government, the British Government would recognize him as the defacto ruler of that portion of Greece. More than that he did not consider it right for him to say.

FRIGHTFUL PANIC ON BOARD GREEK VESSEL

Many Passengers Threw Themselves Overboard When Ship Began to Sink.

Paris, Oct. 30.—(Delayed)—A Havas despatch from Athens quotes the captain of the Angheliki as saying she was torpedoed without notice by a German submarine at nine o'clock at night. This despatch describes the vessel as a passenger steamer. It states that she began to sink immediately, but was kept afloat some time with the aid of passengers who manned the pumps.

"There was a frightful panic and many threw themselves overboard and were drowned," the despatch continues. "The steamer Karistos took off the surviving passengers and part of the crew and a French torpedo boat took the remainder. Fifty persons, possibly more, lost their lives."

OPEN RECRUITING CAMPAIGN.

Brantford, Oct. 31.—The campaign for the 215th will be started here when Miss Grace Merritt, well-known actress, and granddaughter of Hamilton Merritt of St. Catharines, will deliver a recruiting address on Market square on Wednesday evening.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

INFANTRY.

Killed in action—J. F. McGowan, Winnipeg; Lieut. W. R. Notman, Montreal; Lieut. G. E. Wells, Saskatoon, Sask.; H. H. Williamson, Coldwater, Ont.

Missing—454538, J. A. Cattle, 59 Bolton avenue, Toronto; E. Gauvreau, Kenogami, Que.; W. Hamel, Montreal; A. Paquette, Casselman, Ont.

Previously reported missing, now returned to regimental duty—B. Thurston, Vancouver, B.C.

Wounded—102727, G. McFadyen, 353 Carleton street, Toronto; 192850, G. W. Miller, 48 Oakwood avenue, Toronto; 192487, J. L. Mills, 25 Condor avenue, Toronto; V. M. Saunders, Winnipeg; 419114, H. A. Trudelle, 184 Erskine avenue, Toronto.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Killed in action—159549, G. H. White, 582A College street, Toronto.

INFANTRY.

Killed in action—F. Cousineau, Montreal.

Died of wounds—163772, A. Bourne, 144 Hastings street, Toronto; W. Hewtress, Brockville, Ont.

Previously reported killed in action, now admitted to hospital—J. W. Gaffney, Monckland Station, Ont.

Seriously ill—W. G. Amisson, Dorchester, N.B.; E. S. J. Ayrhart, Campbellford, Ont.

Wounded—404288, G. L. Butterfield, 191 Mutual street, Toronto; 192838, W. Clapperton, 12 Sauiter street, Toronto; J. Crossan, Stellarton, N.S.; J. W. Currie, Pilot Mound, Man.; G. L. Hale, Stoughton, Sask.; W. E. Jewell, Stevensville, Ont.; N. C. Leckie, Unity, Sask.; Lance-Corp. J. J. McDonald, Glace Bay, N.S.; J. J. Martel, Villeneuve, Alta.

Missing—A. Carrier, Lennoxville, Que.; F. Clifton, Ogden, Calgary, Alta.; P. Cote, Montreal; Lieut. F. G. Diver, 70-76 Pearl street, Toronto; J. Doheney, Athabaska Landing, Alta.; G. Edgington, Star City, Sask.; E. Gascon, St. Jerome, Que.; A. Gouedard, Quebec, Que.; A. Leilievre, Quebec; A. Marshall, Lumsden, Mass.; 408157, A. Moore, 203 Markham street, Toronto; J. Mantais, Montreal; M. W. Russ, Edmonton; I. Smith, Campbellford, Ont.; F. Trudeau, Ste. Julie De Vercheres, Quebec; A. Thomas, Labelle, Que.; J. Thebaudeau, Dorchester, N.B.:

Killed in action—Lieut. J. A. Horan, Kenora, Ont.; Lieut. F. S. Woodcock, Ireland.

Wounded—Lieut. R. Fowler, Winnipeg; Lieut. F. O. King, Saskatoon, Sask.; R. W. Morrison, Beresford, Man.; Lieut. R. G. G. Nairn, Kenora, Ont.; P. Normand, Montmagny, Que.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Killed in action—185102, W. G. Hyde, 162 Spruce street, Toronto.

Wounded—S. Harris, Trinity Bay, Nfld.; W. Lafountine, Champlain, N.Y.; F. H. Leppard, Portage La Prairie, Man.; Lieut. J. D. Moulden, Winnipeg; N. J. Wallace, West Duluth, Minn.

INFANTRY.

Killed in action—541334, P. D. Hewitt, 8 Golden avenue, Toronto.

Missing—C. S. Evans, Ottawa; J. A. Leblanc, Ottawa.

Wounded—Lance-Corp. T. Aubin, Aylmer, Que.; 135477, J. Forgie, 227 Rhodes street, Toronto; S. J. Samson, Montreal, Que.; J. R. Walker, Ottawa.

MOUNTED RIFLES.

Wounded—C. Christianson, Gimli, Man.; A. J. Desmond, Winnipeg.

ARTILLERY.

Wounded—Gunner A. H. Shannan, Westboro, Ont.; Acting Bombardier H. D. Wetmore, Bloomfield, N.B.; 348636, Gunner S. T. Gurr, 743 Danforth avenue, Toronto.

ENGINEERS.

Wounded—Sapper J. M. Alexander MacDonald, Dundonald, Ont.

INFANTRY.

Died of wounds—J. Black, England.

Missing—K. Yossicawa, Japan.

Wounded—J. S. Gray, Scotland; S. J. Miller, England.

ARTILLERY.

Died of wounds—Gunner E. A. Banwell, England.

Missing—S. G. Kosszelski, England.

Wounded — Gunner A. W. Cameron, Gunner C. Parkinson, Driver C. Harrison, Driver R. Healy, England.

INFANTRY.

Previously reported missing, now for official purposes presumed to have died—F. Stephens, Honeywood, Que.

ARTILLERY.

Wounded—Gunner G. F. Hinted, England; Gunner W. J. Lucas, England; Bombardier R. A. Mann, Scotland; Bombardier F. C. Partridge, Gunner E. F. Whittle, England.

ARTILLERY.

Died of wounds—J. Tompkins, kin not stated.

INFANTRY.

Died of wounds—Sergt. O. T. White, Wales; J. Black, England.

INFANTRY.

Killed in action—Joseph Aubin, North Bay, Ont.; Joseph Audette, St. Alban, Que.; Joseph Bernard, Montreal; D. Fredette, Plantaganet, Ont.; George Gagnon, Sherbrooke, Que.; Donald Grant, Winnipeg; Camille Laplante, St. Honore, Que.; George Lecours, Bienville, Que.; Sgt. Emile Martin, Montreal; N. J. Smith, Gray Creek, B.C.; W. J. Swan, Beresford, Man.; Chas. Vicent, Whytewold Beach, Man.; 916510, P. W. Ward, 368 Harbord street, Toronto.

Died—201526, J. H. Allan, 21 French avenue, Toronto; R. C. Pinkney, Vermilion, Alb.

Missing—F. R. Davidson, Newdale, Man.; G. E. Dixon, Wabamun Lake, Alb.; Alphonse Doucet, Quebec.

Believed killed—Archibald McLelland, St. Rose, N.S.; John Malloy, British Columbia.

Previously reported killed in action, now wounded—Arthur Boulez, Montreal.

Dangerously ill—Ralph Betts, Londonderry, N.S.

Wounded—B. Barnes, McNab, Ont.; Lieut. W. H. Bolt, Brantford, Ont.; Act. Lance-Corp. Randolph Byter, Little Current, Ont.; Anthony Dzwonkowski, Renfrew, Ont.; 141399, H. J. Collins, Hamilton, Ont.; Robert Dundas, Edmonton, Alb.; John Forsythe, Aylmer, Que.; G. E. Girling, Edmonton; Lieut. J. E. Shoultz, Montreal.

ARTILLERY.

Missing—107346, Driver Henry H. Jones, Empire Building, Toronto.

Wounded—Gunner H. A. Bryant, Northampton, N.B.; Gunner S. R. Greer, Moose Jaw, Sask.; Driver R. G. Hutchinson, Montreal.

LIEUT. PITRIC MISSING.

London, Oct. 31.—Lieut. A. S. Pitric, Cameronians, is officially reported missing. He was transferred from the Canadian divisional train in July.

COST TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND.

Kitchener, Oct. 31.—Should the city council agree to turn over the Freeport Sanitarium to the Military Hospitals Association as a temporary institution for returned tubercular soldiers, an expenditure of from twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars will be necessary to extend and furnish the premises to accommodate seventy patients.

RUSSIAN PRISONERS TO BE TREATED HARSHLY

Berlin Announces "Reprisals" Are to Be Carried Out.

EXCUSE IS LOOKED FOR

Russia Alleged to Be Treating German Captives With Severity.

Berlin, Oct. 31.—(By wireless to Sayville.)—Measures of reprisal upon Russian prisoners have been ordered by the German Government, pending the Russian Government's acceptance of German demands for improved treatment of German prisoners of war in Russia, according to the semi-official North German Gazette.

This newspaper states that the German Government asked the Russian Government that it put an end to conditions which were causing suffering to German prisoners of war, and that the period given by the German Government for compliance having elapsed without a satisfactory answer from Russia, the German Government has ordered reprisals. To this end, it is stated a number of commanding officers belonging to crack regiments, have been transferred to a special camp, where the discipline is especially severe, and where they will remain until the Russian Government complies with the German request.

RUSSIANS REGISTER GAINS ON STOKHOD

Teutons Win Successes in Halicz Sector of Galicia.

BATTLE SPREADS WIDE

Engagements Result in Czar's Infantry Overwhelming the Enemy's Position.

BY ARTHUR S. DRAPER.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

London, Oct. 31.—The battle on the east front spread today along a large part of the Galician and Volhynian lines, and increased in fury at every point. In Volhynia, the Russians won their first success in days, while the Teutons proved their superiority in Galicia.

In the region west of Lutsk, Brusiloff's troops, after battering at the enemy's defences for three days, finally broke thru. The Teuton advance trenches from Pustonyty to Oshchest, in the sector immediately south of the Stokhod, were overwhelmed by the Russian infantry, who entrenched themselves so strongly that the subsequent efforts of the enemy to regain the lost ground failed completely. This move gives the Russians a firmer grip on the enemy's lines along the Luga River, and puts them in position to strike a heavier blow at the defences of Vladimir-Volynski, Kovel's southern gateway.

Turks Make Advance.

The successes of the Teutons were obtained in the Halicz sector and to the south. Turkish forces swung forward on the east bank of the Narayuvka and swept several Russian positions at the point of the bayonet. Further south regiments composed entirely of Germans stormed and shelled important heights west of Folv-Kasnoiesne. Russian counter-attacks were of no avail.

The Teutons hammered all day at the Russian positions on the Zlota Lipa, south of Brzezany, but Letchitsky rushed up reinforcements and parried the enemy's blows. The losses of the attackers are reported to have been enormous.

Slowly a great offensive movement is developing along the whole eastern battle line.

FOOD CONFERENCE HELD IN HOLLWEG'S PALACE

Gravity of Situation in Germany is Once More Emphasized.

NOTABLES ASSEMBLE

Men Prominent in Business Affairs Were Drawn Together.

Berlin, Oct. 30, via London, Oct. 31.—A food conference was held at the chancellor's palace today at which there were present Emperor William, the chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, secretaries of state and heads of all departments and representatives of important organizations thruout the empire which are directly or even indirectly interested in that subject. The conference continued for nearly two hours, during which the emperor conferred personally with each of those present.

A lengthy list of the participants in the conference includes Adolph Batocki, president of the food regulation board; Dr. Alfred Lohmann, president of the board of directors of the German Ocean Navigation Company, who designed the merchant submarines Deutschland and Bremen; Dr. Karl Helfferich, secretary of the interior, and his assistants; the imperial commissary for transition from war to peace and his staff; the Bavarian minister; the directorate of the German consumptions Association; the general secretary of the Christian Labor Unions; the directors of the imperial grain, feed, potato, meat and fat bureaus; the chiefs of the largest insurance companies in Germany and business men from every section of the empire.

U. S. BIPLANES DEFECTIVE.

Dutch Are Not Satisfied With Purchases.

Amsterdam, via London, Oct. 31.—The Batavia correspondent of The Telegraaf wires that the war department is in consternation over an aeronautical expert's report, condemning American biplanes supplied, on the ground that their cylinders are too soft and are worn out after two hours of flight. The correspondent says the trials have been stopped perforce, and that the Dutch committee in San Francisco is blamed for passing the machines after a too perfunctory examination.

The Value of Life Insurance

lies primarily in its practicality, and secondly in its adaptability to conditions as they exist. It has proven a bulwark for many a home, has lightened the load of widows, educated children and made pleasant the declining years of many men who were unable to provide for their needs at this time of life in any other way, or who through the fickleness of fortune, lost all the other possessions they had.

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ANTI-CONSCRIPTION LEAD IS REDUCED

Latest Returns Show Margin Cut, But Not Materially.

SITUATION IS TENSE

Split Over Question Has Caused a Serious Crisis.

Melbourne, Australia, Nov. 1.—The anti-conscription lead in the balloting on the question of compulsory military service is only slightly reduced in the latest returns which show the following results: Against conscription 966,000, for conscription 883,000.

It will be a considerable time before the actual result is known.

The newspapers are discussing reconciliation between the conscriptionists and anti-conscriptionists and laborites, but the future depends entirely upon the attitude of Premier Hughes. The political situation is tense.

At Sydney about twenty Labor members of the state parliament have withdrawn their support from W. A. Holman, premier of New South Wales, and formed a new party, while the minister of labor and industry, John Estell, has resigned his portfolio owing to differences over conscription.

At Brisbane, Senator Bamford has been expelled from the labor movement because he supported conscription.

BRITAIN'S BAN ON EXPORTS.

Basic Slag and Copper Products in List.

Winnipeg, Oct. 31.—W. J. Dealy, imperial trade correspondent here, has received a cable from the British Government stating that the export from the United Kingdom of basic slag, phosphates, copper wire and cables containing copper silk threads is prohibited. The two first named are valuable fertilizers, while the latter are of course of prime importance in military industries.

Royalists and Revolutionists Reported in Clash in Greece

Salonica, Oct. 31.—In the first clash between Greek Royalist troops and revolutionary forces attached to the Venizelos Government, several soldiers were wounded. A battalion of revolutionary troops were proceeding to Salonica when they were attacked by Royalist forces at Guida.

Another Greek Steamer is Sunk by German Submarine

London, Oct. 31, 9.25 p.m. (delayed).—The Greek steamer Germaine has been sunk by a German submarine, but the crew was saved, says a Lloyds Agency despatch.

The Germaine was of 1,644 tons net. She was last reported as sailing from Montevideo Sept. 26 for St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands.

CONVENTION DELEGATES ARRIVE.

Kitchener, Oct. 31.—Delegates to the Ontario annual Sunday School Convention, which opens tomorrow, are pouring into Kitchener. Already over four hundred have arrived, and the finding of suitable accommodation is proving a big task. All the hotels are filled, and many delegates are being billeted in private homes.

HOTELS APPEAL ASSESSMENT.

Kitchener, Oct. 27.—In the matter of the appeal of several local hotelmen against the 1917 assessment on buildings the court of revision arrived at no decision, deferring judgment until Nov. 30.

SUPT. HOAG RESIGNS.

Brantford, Oct. 31.—H. P. Hoag, superintendent of Goold, Shapely and Muir, has resigned to go to a munition factory in Toronto. He was given a chest of silver by the employes here.

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GERMANS LESS SEVERE ON BRITISH PRISONERS

U.S. Ambassador to Germany Given Credit for Improved Conditions.

London, Oct. 31.—Lord Robert Cecil, minister of war trade, in announcing in the house of commons today the transfer of the responsibility for matters relating to British prisoners in enemy countries from himself to Lord Newton, under-secretary for foreign affairs, took occasion to express "in the strongest language at my command the deep debt of gratitude which in my judgment this country owes to Ambassador Gerard in securing better conditions for British prisoners."

Lord Robert added: "Whatever may have been true at the beginning of the war, I believe it is no longer true that British prisoners are treated worse than those of other nationalities, and this relative decency is due almost entirely to the exertions of the American Embassy. At the same time I should not like to conceal from the house that conditions in some of the camps in Germany and other countries are still very far from satisfactory."

Hughes Maintains He Would Assert U. S. Rights on Seas

Columbus, Ind., Oct. 31.—Charles E. Hughes, Republican presidential candidate, today told a heckler that he was in favor of the maintenance of every American right, "including the right of travel and the right of shipment." Mr. Hughes had been asked if he favored an embargo on munitions or the passage of a resolution by congress, warning Americans off merchantships flying the flag of belligerent nations.

FIND FIVE MORE BODIES.

Two to Be Recovered from Debris at Farnham.

Farnham, Que., Oct. 31.—Up to last night five more charred remains of the victims of the hospital fire had been recovered. It was impossible to identify any of the bodies found, but they appear to be that of two children and three grown persons.

According to the official list this leaves only two bodies to be recovered from the ruins. Search is to be continued.

UNION BANK CHANGES.

Winnipeg, Oct. 31.—J. G. Geddes, Toronto, goes to Vancouver as manager of the Union Bank. Philip Vibert, the present manager, is promoted to be inspector of western branches, with headquarters in Winnipeg.