FORMER LONDONER DIES AS RESULT OF TORONTO ACCIDENT

George Macbeth Brother of County's Senior Judge.

The death of George Macbeth, auditor of the Toronto General Trust Corporation and formerly accountant of the Molsons Bank of this city, occurred at Toronto General Hospital yesterday.

Mr. Macbeth sustained a fracture of his arm and leg and also internal injuries in a motorcycle accident at Toronto last Friday and the shock was so great that pneumonia set in and he died in the hospital last night.

Well Known Here.

He was well known in this city, having been employed at the Molsons Bank and also at Carling's Brewery. He accepted a position in Windsor several years ago and went from Windsor to Toronto, where he has been an auditor for the Toronto General Trust Company for the past 26 years. He was a son of the late George Macbeth, M. P., who was a member of the Federal House for Middlesex County for a number of years, and a prominent Mason.

Leaves Family.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Emma Macbeth, one daughter and two sons—Miss Meta Macbeth, who is a nurse in St. Thomas' Hospital London, England, and who volunteered to go overseas as a nurse; Lieut. Kenneth also survive—George Macbeth, Judge Talbot Macbeth of this city and John Macbeth of Denver, Colorado. The sisters are—Mrs. J. S. Niven of this city, Mrs. William Worthington of Toronto and Miss Annie Macbeth of London, England.

The funeral will be held in this city, but the arrangements have not yet been completed.

APPLES GOING TO WASTE IN DISTRICT; SHOULD BE CANNED AS AT PARKHILL

Nearly Two Tons of Jelly Made There From Windfalls.

Reports received by the district representative of the Canada food board indicate that there appears to be an abundance of early apples going to waste between Ridgetown and London. In addition to this, it is stated that Oxford County has plenty of apples, and that there is a fair crop of apples in Essex County. Meanwhile, canners and other buyers do not seem to be aware of this supply at hand.

Concerning the use that can be made of the early apples, the Middlesex Red Cross and Women's Institute community canning centre at Parkhill has already made enough apple jelly for the hospitals overseas to fill more than thirteen hundred three-pound cans, using windfall apples for the purpose.

The purposes of food conservation in that case have been further served by feeding to pigs the pulp from which the juice has been pressed. It is said that it is an interesting and also somewhat amusing sight to see the eagerness with which small boys wait round with pails to be filled with fruit pulp for the pigs when jellymaking is under way at the Parkhill canning centre.

CREEKS OF CITY MENACE PROPERTY; PROBLEM BAD FOR CITY TO DEAL WITH

Trouble From Three Points Now Under Consideration.

The city is experiencing a great deal of trouble at the present time with storm water and creeks.

In London South a creek that enters from the county in the vicinity of Briscoe street, promises to cost a good sum before it is fixed up to prevent land damage and trouble to the residents of the wide area affected.

The Carling Creek, as it passes under Richmond street, is a trouble maker, with the city, C. P. R. and Hyman's tannery involved. The city erected a large culvert under Richmond street. The Hyman firm has a smaller one. At the joint of the two a block occurs, and the C. P. R. property floods. Last spring the water became so high that Waterloo street was flooded and other property affected.

The C. P. R. has written the city about the matter, and the ciy has referred the letter to the Hyman Company.

Ald. Charles Moorhead has added to the troubles. He declares that a storm sewer should be constructed on English street, from Princess avenue to Lorne. This is the upper end of the Carling Creek, which floods the C. P. R. property at Waterloo street. The creek is tiled and this has become blocked. The residents of the district claim that it is a menace to health. Engineer Brazier will try and remedy this situation by connecting the creek with the Lorne avenue storm sewer.

SIGNALLERS, ENGINEERS WANTED FOR SIBERIA

Engineers and signallers are now required for the Siberian expeditionary force. For the engineers, the Engineers' Depot at Carling Heights, of which Capt. Canfield is officer commanding, is asking for recruits from the following trades: Carpenters, plumbers, electricians, machinists, tinsmiths, blacksmiths, steamfitters, etc. The men required for signallers are telegraph operators, telephone linesmen, cable men, motorcyclists, switchboard operators, and others of good education.

Men for these branches must be in category A2. This is the first opportunity that men have had to join as signallers since October, 1917. The engineers and signallers recruited for the Siberian contingent will be taken on the strength of the Engineers' Depot here, and sent to the Engineering Training Depot at St. Johns, Quebec, in drafts, where they will continue their training.

TO CONSIDER VETERANS

Free Admittance to Fair for Discharged Men a Problem.

The matter of allowing discharged soldiers into the fair free will be discussed by the Western Fair board at a meeting on Thursday afternoon. Already the board has decided that soldiers in uniform shall be admitted free. There are those who claim that veterans who have served in France have an equal if not greater right to this privilege than those who have just donned the uniform.

GALT JEWELER ENLISTS.

GALT, Aug. 27.—W. H. McGreery, local jeweler, is the first Galtonian to enlist in the C. E. F. for service in Siberia. He signed up at London, and reported for duty at once.

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WOUNDED FOR FIFTH TIME; THRICE GASSED

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PTE. CHARLES ALLEN.

Pte. Charles Allen has been wounded for the fifth time, according to the official word received by his father, Thomas Allen, 322 Richmond street, yesterday. Pte. Allen enlisted with the 18th Battalion and was attached to the Trench Motor Battery. He has been in France for over three years, and as well as being wounded five times, he has been gassed three times. Before enlisting, he was employed at the Tecumseh House and with Lawson & Jones.

James Allen, who is a member of the British navy, and who returned home five months ago, is a brother of Pte. Charles Allen.

LOCAL NEWS

TWO LONDONERS GASSED.—In today's official casualty list appear the names of two Londoners, W. Chamberlain, 770 Princess avenue, and R. C. Arthur, 118 Edward street, both having been gassed.

MEETING POSTPONED.—The regular meeting of the Khaki Cycling Club, which was scheduled to be held in the rooms of the Honorably Discharged Soldiers' Association last evening, was postponed, and will be held in the near future.

ORGANIST RESIGNS.—The resignation of Miss Irene Foster, organist and choir leader of Chalmers Presbyterian Church, will take effect on September 1. Miss Foster has withdrawn from choir work for an indefinite time to complete a special course in the science of teaching and history. Mr. Scott of this city will act as her successor.

SIXTY-FIVE PERMITS ISSUED.—Alfred Edmunds, 1236 Florence street, today secured a building permit to erect a brick veneer home at the above address. It will cost $1,200. John Fraumeni, 339 Dundas street, will erect a brick addition to his store to cost $450. The 65 permits issued this month total $50,070.

RAIN OF MUCH BENEFIT.—The rain of today will, according to R. A. Finn, agricultural representative for the County of Middlesex, be a great benefit to the farmers on whose land it fell. It is not known in this city whether the rain fell throughout the country. The main good, Mr. Finn stated, would be that the rain would soften up the ground for fall plowing. This will enable the farmers to complete their work much more quickly than they would have been able to formerly, as the ground was very hard owing to the dry weather. The rain will also have a good effect on the late root crops.

THANKS OF G. W. V. A.—The officers and members of the Great War Veterans' Association of this city wish to thank and express their appreciation to the following firms who kindly donated furniture of some sort or inside decorations for their new home on Queen's avenue, which was formally opened on Tuesday evening by Brigadier-Gen. Shannon: Keene Bros., People's Outfitting Company, Ontario Furniture Company, Red Star News, Col. Coles, Col. Ingram, Flock & Flock, City Library, J. Gammage, West Floral Company, Dicks Floral Company, Miss Watson (florist), Mr. Winders and A. A. Langford, John Ferguson & Son, Kingsmill's, Dennis Wire Works, Trafford Furnishing Company.

AERO MAIL FOR LONDON

Service May Be Extended to This City and Hamilton.

There are prospects that London will soon be added to the cities of the Dominion enjoying aero mail service.

Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto at present have such a service. It is now proposed to extend the service to other important centres, and it is believed that London and Hamilton will be the next two cities to be included.

The Toronto Aero Club and the Royal Flying Corps have been co-operating to inaugurate the service. It is believed that after the war such a service will become a permanent fixture in the life of the different cities.

The Toronto Telegram says the prospects of the establishment of a permanent daily air route between the principal Canadian cities appear bright.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES

Ottawa, Aug. 28.—There were 498 casualties in the first list issued today—45 killed in action, 30 died of wounds, 2 died, 9 seriously ill, 343 wounded, 60 gassed, 1 repatriated, 4 admitted to hospital, 1 missing, believed killed, 3 discharged from hospital. The list for Western Ontario:

Infantry.

Killed in Action—654133 A. Osman, Goderich; 651448 H. G. MacGregor, Dalsley; 141252 N. C. Maxwell, 149 Strachan street east, Hamilton; 1045025 B. G. Miller, Wallaceburg.

Gassed—644559 J. Massier, Penetang; 739727 W. Stallwood Slack, Hagersville; 823470 W. Chamberlain, 770 Princess avenue, London; 690043 E. Sauvageau, 171 Grosvenor avenue, Hamilton; 802434 R. C. Arthur, 118 Edward street, London.

Engineers.

Ill—2011541 B. L. Pew, Niagara Falls.

Wounded—541630 H. G. Ollivier, Mount Brydges.

Artillery.

Killed in Action—1250599 G. McCullouch, Woodstock.

Died of Wounds—204674 C. G. Webster, Stratford.

Wounded—339536 F. A. Tapley, Paris; 272733 W. S. Brooks, Alliston.

Railway Troops.

Wounded—751400 D. Hughes, Kitchener.

Admitted to Hospital—2504052 E. B. MacDonald, Ridgetown.

Machine Gun Company.

Died of Wounds—2355680 A. J. Harding, Brantford.

Wounded—175041 A. Smith, 108 Barton street, Hamilton; 231496 S. A. Perry, Mount Forest.

Forestry.

Ill—690915 T. W. McWhinnie, 46 Wentworth street, Hamilton.

Gassed—797162 W. J. Franklin, Clear Creek, Ont.

Medical Services.

Killed in Action—32888 J. Mitchell, Guelph; 50606 N. F. Kennedy, 288 Hill street, London.

Wounded—757650 W. J. Vancleek, Hamilton.

Discharged From Hospital—528950 R. Pring, 727 Princess avenue, London; 305118 C. J. Webber, 4 Spring street, Brantford.

Gassed—213855 O. Campbell, Leamington.

Infantry.

Wounded—225964 F. O. Chandler, York street, Hamilton; 257888 R. Whitehead, Stratford; 126212 A. Kunder, Stratford; 844472 L. J. Esson, Petrolea; 680076 E. J. Burke, Kenilworth, Ont.; 651431 J. Martin, Chippawa Hill; 164208 G. G. Webster, Paris; 126207 W. Cooke, Stratford; 736066 C. T. Patient, Galt.

CAR SERVICE IMPROVES.

GALT, Aug. 27.—As a result of an agitation, General Manager M. Kirkwood of the L. E. and N. Railway announced today that the L. E. and N. cars, commencing next Sunday, would run as far as Main street on the State street line. On Sundays in the past cars have only come part way into the city.

FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF LONDON BATTERY LEAVING FOR FRONT

Old 6th, Now 12th, Has Wonderful Record.

ORIGINALS STILL FIGHT

Many Have Had No Furlough Home Since Their Departure.

IN MEMORIAM.

In loving memory of the boys in the 6th Battery, who left London four years ago today, and sympathy for those who were unfortunate enough to be unmarried and are still waiting for the promised furlough.

The above notice, inserted in the columns of today's Advertiser, announces the fact that four years ago today the 6th Field Battery, now known as the 12th Battery, composed almost entirely of London boys, left this city for overseas. It also announces that many of these boys who have served continually in France during the major portion of the four years are still on the job, with no promise of a much-needed rest.

Leave Was Asked.

About one year ago, or more, a Dominion-wide agitation was begun in this city, to obtain for members of the first Canadian contingent in France a furlough to return to their homes in Canada for a brief respite. This plea fell on deaf ears at Ottawa for several months, but the military authorities were finally persuaded to allow the married "Originals" to return on three months' leave. A few of these men were returned to Canada, and the remainder were awaiting with expectation their turn to do so when the order was cancelled, as the great need for men during the Allied offensive in Flanders being given as the reason.

Still Carry On.

The unmarried men are still with the guns, many of them falling daily during the recent heavy fighting. The old 6th Field Battery was a unit of the original first contingent, and the fighting Londoners have made an enviable record for their battery at the front. During the tremendous German onslaught at Ypres in April, 1915, the 12th Battery was instrumental in plugging a large gap in the Canadian line caused by numerous casualties, and in doing so, it held back the German hordes.

Many Londoners who left with this battery in August, 1914, have returned to Canada, broken in body but not in spirit. Sergt.-Major Carr Barnhill and Sergt. James Oakley of the local police force, were two of the many, the former having received decoration for conspicuous gallantry shown during his service in the front line. Corp. William Archer, whose mother inserted the above notice in the London Advertiser, is another local lad who has performed gallantly during the present campaign.

Some Have Gone.

On the other hand many of these brave Londoners have made the supreme sacrifice while serving with the guns. Lieut.-Col. Woodman Leonard, a well-known London boy, gave his life while leading the battery of which he acted very efficiently as officer commanding. Gunner Robert Mercer of this city also paid the price while serving his gun at Ypres in 1915.

Many other local units left about four years ago, as a part of the 1st Canadian Division, and silently those who remain are doing their part in the trenches without complaint, many of Originals from London having served continually at the front for four years.

SOLDIER ACCUSED OF POSING AS M. P.

Authorities Say That He Has Caused Much Trouble.

Pte. John Williams of the 1st Canadian Garrison Regiment, was forwarded to this city yesterday after being apprehended by Constable Burgess of Woodstock, and is now awaiting trial by the local military authorities on a grave charge.

Pte. Williams is charged with posing as a Dominion policeman. The man, it is alleged, has been wearing a Dominion police armlet badge, which he obtained from an unknown source, for some time, and has been the cause of a great deal of inconvenience to the populace of Woodstock. He is alleged to have been stopping the people on the street as well as in street cars, trains, and also entering factories, stores, etc., and demanding from the inmates their military papers. This is said to have been occurring for some time until the people of Woodstock grew tired and complained of the man, and upon investigation it was found that he had absolutely no authority to perform the acts alleged.

Capt. Asa Minard, Dominion police inspector for Military District No. 1, when interviewed by The Advertiser this morning, said that Pte. Williams has by his acts turned the people of Woodstock against the Dominion police for some time, until they had found out that the man was an impostor. Capt. Minard said that he had requested the military authorities to deal as severely as possible with the man, as that was the only way to stop further trouble of this kind.

The captain also stated that it would save a great deal of inconvenience in the future if the public when approached by military policemen would request them to show a badge of authority before showing papers. Capt. Minard said that this action was only right, as ithat the officers were compelled to show their authority when asked. This action will help to expose the impostors who falsely pose as Dominion policemen, for every Dominion policeman carries a badge, and a man without a badge has absolutely no authority to demand papers from any civilians.

LIVED AT CEDAR SPRINGS.

CHATHAM, Aug. 27.—Official notice has been received by Mrs. William Lightfoot of Cedar Springs that her husband was killed in action.

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TEMPORARY HOME FOR FORLORN BABY HARD TO FIND IN THIS CITY OF PLENTY, SAYS OFFICIAL OF C. A.

"If it had been a horse or an automobile, I could have found half a dozen places for it within an hour; but it was just a baby, so it meant hard searching from 11 o'clock in the morning until 4 in the afternoon before I could get a refuge for the little thing." The foregoing statement was made to The Advertiser today by Secretary W. E. Kelly of the Children's Aid Society in connection with an incident which recently occurred in the city, illustrating the necessity for extension of the Shelter and its activities to care for helpless, neglected and dependent babies. Fairly adequate provision has been made for the older children, but for the wee tots there is no refuge.

Awful Possibilities.

The case in question was one involving possibilities of a little lifeless figure abandoned in an ash barrel or the river, but for intervention, according to the official. Institutions at present established in London make no provision for such emergencies. Finally, to continue the story, the kind lady was found, a prominent social worker in the city, who at considerable dislocation of her household arrangements, agreed to extend the hospitality of her home for a few days, not only to the wee waif, but to a discouraged and despondent mother as well.

Two days later visitors appeared at the Children's Aid Society office in the city hall on a mission of importance. One of them, a woman from a distant city, wished to adopt a child. Friends had obtained children they could love and train up as their own through the local aid society. She could give a good home and opportunity to some forlorn tot.

Child Was Ready.

"We have your child all ready, waiting for you," quickly replied the official of the society to whom the request was made.

"Can I see it right away?" asked the woman, eagerly.

"We will have it here for you without fail at 3 o'clock this afternoon," she was assured, and she was back in advance of that hour, scarcely able to wait

The bewitching bit of humanity, which was exhibited more than fulfilled her expectations, and she was anxious to have the papers fixed up and take it away at once.

"While our aim is to keep homes together and children with their parents as far as possible," stated Mr. Kelly, "and while, after that, our aim is to place little ones in good foster homes, still, in London, we urgently need a suitable temporary home for infants, where the little 'transients' may be well attended in every way while waiting to be restored to their own people, or placed with foster parents. The lack of such shelter for babies really make an acute situation here."

RESTORE WATER TO OLD LEVEL IN YEAR TO PROTECT RIGHTS

Ald. Watt Says This Will Be Necessary.

If the Springbank dam is not replaced within a year from the date on which it broke down the city will lose the privilege of re-erecting the dam, if any of the interested property owners wish to object.

The above statement was made by P. J. Watt at the meeting of the board of works last night.

To The Advertiser today he stated that his authority for the statement was a well-known lawyer with whom he took the matter up. His advice was that the city must restore the water to the old level as when the dam was in place within a year. Otherwise some of the property owners might come forward and declare that they object to the water being raised again. However, Mr. Watt said that he was informed that if the city blocked the river for one day just at the close of the year it would fill the bill, and mean that there would be another year's grace.

ABOUT A THOUSAND DAILY FOR PATRIOTIC FUNDS NOW RECEIVED

Payments Good in Spite of the Holiday Season.

An average of about a thousand dollars a day has been paid into the Red Cross and Patriotic Fund at the local headquarters in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, Dundas street, this month. This is considered most satisfactory in view of the holiday season and the fact that numbers are out of town, even taking into account that many of the payments made are in the quarterly list.

Things have been a bit quiet this past few days, the slackening up which always marks the end of the month, payments being due the beginning of the month. While the total subscriptions fell considerably below the objective hoped for in the spring, payments have come in with gratifying promptness, a total of $139,828 having been turned over within the four months since the patriotic canvass, or more than two-thirds of the total subscriptions, with still two-thirds of the year left for many of these to run.

KILLED IN ACTION

Advertiser Illustrations.

PTE. E. J. HEFFERNAN, whose death in France was announced some days ago.

REVOLVERS, BOOZE AND FOREIGNERS SEIZED BY POLICE

Toronto, Aug. 27.—Liquor came to Toronto this morning under the protection of loaded revolvers and a box of ammunition. Two officers saw a party of foreigners at the Don station with suitcases full of alcohol, flasks of whiskey and bottles of brandy and creme de menthe. The men had firearms. They seized the whole outfit. Accused were remanded until September 4, in the police court this morning.

AVIATOR KILLED

Accident at Maryville Camp Results in Death of Cadet Spooner.

Toronto, Aug. 28.—Cadet A. D. Spooner was instantly killed at Maryville, near here, at 10 o'clock this morning as the result of a flying accident. His father is W. Spooner, of Moosomin, Sask.

SIR WILLIAM ON HAND.

Ottawa, Aug. 28.—Sir Wm. MacKenzie is in Ottawa. The question under discussion, it is understood, is payment for the $60,000,000 worth of C. N. R. stock acquired by the Government. A board of arbitration fixed the value of the outstanding stock at $10,800,000. The agreement between the Government and MacKenzie & Mann, however, provided that the price should not exceed $10,000,000.

FRENCH CAVALRY IN PURSUIT OF RETREATING HUNS; MANGIN'S ARMY IS CROSSING AILETTE

(Continued from page one).

north of the Somme they have attacked and taken the greater part of Trones Wood.

The text of the statement reads:

"Our troops took Faucaucourt, south of the Somme yesterday. The town had been strongly held by the enemy with machine guns.

"North of the Somme we attacked and captured the greater part of Trones Wood, taking a number of prisoners from a Prussian Guard division.

"South of the Scarpe, troops of the first army have improved their positions astride the Arras-Cambrai road and have reached the outskirts of Haucourt, Remy and Boiry-Notre Dame.

"North of the Scarpe, strong hostile counter-attacks were launched yesterday afternoon along the line of the Arras-Douai Railway, forcing our troops back a few hundred yards to the old German trenches on Greenland Hill, where the enemy attack broke down under our fire.

"British troops carried out a successful local operation yesterday astride the Neuf Berquin-Estaires road, advancing our line on a front of about four miles and taking a number of prisoners."

FRENCH REACH CHAULNES.

With the French Army in France, Aug. 27.—Activity behind the German lines on the Aisne and the Avre fronts has increased greatly since the French successes around Roye and on the plateau north of Soissons. In the region east of Roye the Germans seem to be preparing for an eventual retirement.

The French pushed on today and reached the edge of Chaulnes, after taking Chaulnes Wood by assault. On the south they reached Amy, two miles southeast of Roye.

GERMAN COUNTER-ATTACKS HAVE BROUGHT DISASTER TO ENEMY

With the British Forces in France, Aug. 28.—While intermittent fighting continues virtually everywhere along the British front the battle begins to show signs of slowing up. Heavy rainstorms have been sweeping over the battle zone since early this morning, and these, at least for the moment, have had the effect of retarding operations.

German resistance this morning seems to have stiffened considerably.

The Germans have delivered many counter-attacks along the line, but none of them really has gained anything. In virtually every case the counter-attacks have finally had disastrous results for the Germans, for when the British did retire at two or three places it was only for a brief period.

When reattacked the Germans not only lost the ground which they thought they had regained, but they also suffered many casualties.

The principal activity has been in the region of the Scarpe River, in which sector the British have gained a little more ground. Some of it has not been in possession of the Entente allied troops since 1914.

This is the case at Vis-en-Artois and in the surrounding region.

Thilloy, southwest of Bapaume, still is strongly held by the enemy, but the British maintained a hold on all the positions in the outskirts of Bapaume.

There has been further fighting at Delville Wood, which yesterday was taken by the British, then lost and later taken again. The Germans are placing a large force just to the east of this position and are attacking the British, but without making any gains.

German machine guns have been active from the high ground northeast of Mory. The British have withdrawn from the positions in the neighborhood of Vraucourt until the enemy can be cleaned out.

Trones Wood has again been captured by the British. Astride the River Somme some progress has been made to the east of Vaux.

To the south of the river the town of Foucaucourt, which was in a fairly sharp enemy salient, was stormed and captured during the night. The operations since midnight have netted the British many more prisoners.

Canadian captures astride the River Scarpe yesterday now number more than 2,000 men counted.

ALLIES DON'T NEED MUCH BARBED WIRE FOR DEFENCES NOW

Demand Drops Since Foch's Offensive Began.

STEEL SUPPLIES SHORT

Canadian Manufacturers Are Handicapped in Their Task.

In its summary of the iron, steel, metal and machinery markets for week ending August 29, Canadian Machinery and Manufacturing News, Toronto, makes the following observations:

There seems to be small chance for Canadian business talking of expansion, if such expansion depends in the first place upon chances of going into the steel markets for increased supplies. The fact is that there is no chance of increased steel supplies coming to Canada. Taking that as the starting point, the only thing is to make the available supplies go to the points where the most essential work is being carried on from the viewpoint of the war officials. It has been a hard matter for the Canadian allotment of steel to be sustained week by week. In fact, there have been times when there has been a falling off.

Conferences have been held between jobbers and the war trade board and in many staple lines prices are now recognized as standard, but there are a few lines that are not settled, the authorities holding that the warehousemen were doing business at too high a figure. The latter base their contention, in part at least, on the fact that their export trade is largely gone for the present, and that, with this revenue cut off, their overhead charges have not decreased at all.

The big problem for dealers in machine tools just now is not the securing of new business, but the filling of orders they already have on their books, and partial delivery of which has been made in a good many cases.

The situation in this regard is not all that could be desired by any means. This is not common to this country, but practically all over United States the same story is heard. There are going to be some delays in deliveries on new shell contracts, the contractors do not favor the plan of going ahead and working on one or two operations in a shell plant, waiting for the rest of the work to be done when the machines arrive. The shop gets clogged at this one stage. The only way is to get a steady flow through the shop on all operations, and the non-delivery of certain machines is delaying this.

An interesting little sidelight is brought to notice in a dispatch from one of the big steel centres of the United States. It announces that the call for barbed wire for defensive purposes is falling off tremendously among the allied forces since Marshal Foch took the offensive on the west. Mills that were working on this are getting instructions to turn more to other war lines.

SMALL, SWIFT SHIPS THAT CARRIED OVER 1,000,000 SAMMIES MADE BAD TARGETS

Amsterdam, Aug. 28.—America has been able to transport more than one million soldiers to France because they have been carried in small swift steamers, which afforded very difficult targets for the torpedoes of submarines, declared Capt. Zimmerman of the German general staff in a lecture at Breslau, according to the Rhenish Westphalian Gazette of Essen. He said these steamers were escorted by warships.

The captain said there were 440,000 Americans at the front and 700,000 more behind the lines.

The recent progress of the Allies, the captain attributed to the mass employment of tanks, which had yielded initial successes, but, he declared, means had now been found to master them.

MILITARY NOTES

COURTS OF INQUIRY.

Three courts of inquiry will convene at London in the near future, according to today's camp orders. The first, with Major C. W. McKitrick as president, will inquire into the circumstances surrounding the injuries received by Gunner George Samuel Bere, formerly of the 63rd Depot Battery, and now of the 1st Battalion, Canadian Garrison Regiment.

A similar court, with Major E. B. Nelles as president, will assemble to investigate the circumstances surrounding the disappearance of Pte. Alfred E. Kellar of the 1st Battalion, Western Ontario Regiment, on or about November 15, 1917.

Another court of inquiry, with Major E. B. Nelles as president, will assemble at his call to inquire into the circumstances surrounding the escape of Pte. Albert R. Gillette, of the Western Ontario Regiment, from detention on April 19, 1918.

DESERTER POSTED.

Pte. Edward Haynes, a deserter from the 2nd Construction Battalion, having been apprehended at Windsor on August 23, is posted to the 1st Battalion Canadian Garrison Regiment, according to today's camp orders.

DETAILED FOR DUTY.

Camp orders today state that Lieut. Eric G. Barron, late 1st Battalion, C. E. F., is detailed for duty as adjutant at the London Military Convalescent Hospital.

Lieut. G. L. McGuffin, A. M. C., is detailed as medical officer to headquarter's sub-staff and attached civilian employees entitled to medical attendance.

WATER COMMISSION FEARFUL OF FAMINE

ST. THOMAS, Aug. 27.—Rain is eagerly looked for by members of the local water commission, for unless relief is obtained from somewhere there promises to be a serious water famine in this city in the near future. The most stringent restrictions have been placed on local users and further drastic measures are promised unless the water at the local waterworks increases.

At the present time street watering has been stopped entirely and local users are prohibited from using water for their lawns or any other unnecessary purposes.

FUNERAL OF BABY SHARPE.

The funeral of John Francis Sharpe, only son of Sapper Francis Sharpe of the Canadian Engineers, took place on Tuesday afternoon from the family residence, 31 Kensington street, to the Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The services over the child, who was only 1 year and 1 week of age, were conducted by Rev. Canon G. B. Sage at 2 o'clock.

BRITISH CASUALTIES.

London, Aug. 28.—British casualties reported in the week ended today total 14,484, compared with an aggregate of 8,411 reported in the previous week. The casualties are divided as follows:

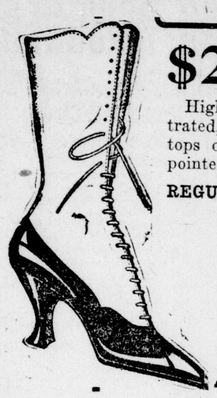
Killed or Died of Wounds—Officers, 387; men, 2,194.

Wounded or Missing—Officers, 1,110; men, 10,793.

ADJOURNED OUT OF RESPECT.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 28.—Both houses of Congress adjourned immediately today on announcement of the death in Baltimore of Senator James of Kentucky. The flags of the Capitol were ordered at half-mast.

Your Fall Shoes At a Saving of DOLLARS



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HUNS FIGHTING DESPERATELY TO CHECK BRITISH NEAR BAPAUME

Germans Are Bringing Up Reinforcements in Large Numbers.

With the British Army in France, Tuesday, Aug. 27.—Driven from the high ground protecting Peronne on the west, and forced beyond the Hindenburg line in the region of Arras, the Germans are fighting desperately but apparently with much determination to stay the British attacks in the region of Bapaume.

Since noon today heavy reinforcements have been put into the enemy line in the Bapaume region, and his resistance there has stiffened. Apparently the use of these reinforcements is for the purpose of giving the enemy time to dig in on a line paralleling the Canal du Nord on the west. Whether he will be able to hold this line is very doubtful. His next defence line east would be behind the Canal du Nord, about six miles west of Bapaume.

Along the Somme, in spite of stubborn resistance, the British have pushed the Germans off the high ground between Maricourt and the river. South of the river they have reached Dompierre, six miles west of Peronne. North of Maricourt, the Germans made vicious counter-attacks this evening, and the British had to give up some of the ground they had gained during the day.

Heavy Counter-Attacks.

The greatest British advance of the day was made south of the Scarpe. General Byng's men are reported working east of Vis-en-Artois and, at last reports had gained Fontaine-les-Croiselles, south of Vis-en-Artois, between Fontaine and Bapaume, the British took ground near Vraucourt. Heavy enemy counter-attacks developed and as the position was a little in advance of the rest of the line at this point, the British fell back temporarily. They brought with them, however, five officers and 150 men as prisoners.

The same thing happened in the neighborhood of Flers, south of Bapaume, where 70 prisoners were brought back by patrols which retired when the enemy threw in a heavy counter-attack. The German attack suffered severely from British artillery and machine gun fire.

Delville wood was taken by the British and then lost. It is reported it has been captured again

Elements of sixteen enemy battalions have been found mixed up on a front of less than four miles near Bapaume.

North of the Scarpe considerable progress has been made and the British are reported driving eastward from Oppy and Gavrelle, which they hold.

JOHN D. RYAN HEAD OF U. S. AERONAUTICS

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—John D. Ryan has been appointed second assistant secretary of war and director of aeronautics, thus becoming head of the whole aeronautical section of the war department.

BENEDICT CROWELL IS U. S. MUNITIONS HEAD

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—First Assistant Secretary of War Benedict Crowell was made director of munitions by Secretary of War Baker, with complete authority to procure and furnish all munitions necessary for military operations.

GERMAN SOCIALIST PRESS BOUGHT BY GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.—An official dispatch from France today says that the German Independent Socialist deputy, Kiss, declared at a recent meeting at Greitz, in Saxony, that part of the Socialist press and in particular the Vorwaerts, was subsidized by the German Government.

STANDARD STOCK AND MINING EXCHANGE.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, Aug. 28.—Morning sales: Apex, 9800 at 2½; Davidson, 2500 at 23; Dome, 2000 at 13½, 2500 at 14; Holly, 300 at 475, 100 at 470; McIntyre, 1000 at 142, 800 at 143, 1900 at 144; Teck-Hughes, 50 0at 15¼, 500 at 17; Adanac, 3000 at 8, 1500 at 8½; Beaver, 500 at 26; Crown Reserve, 500 at 17; McKinley, 500 at 44, 500 at 43½; Ophir, 3000 at 7, 3000 at 7½, 1000 at 7¼; Peterson Lake, 500 at 9⅜, 500 at 9½, 500 at 9¼, 700 at 9; Temiskaming, 1500 at 29¾; Rockwood, 1000 at 30, 1000 at 30½.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

Montreal, Aug. 28.—Morning sales: Asbestos, 75 at 19½@20; Car, pfd., 35 at 90; Brazilian, 115 at 39¾@40; Brompton, 25 at 59½; Canadian Cottons, 50 at 70; Steamships, 1205 at 43@45; do, pfd., 168 at 77½; Cement, 821 at 65@67½; Locomotive, 425 at 65@66; Dominion Bridge, 110 at 123; Dominion Steel, 365 at 64½@64¾; Dominion Textile, 260 at 98@98½; Laurentide, 125 at 183½; Maple Leaf, 145 at 119½@120; Montreal Power, 550 at 82@82¼; N. S. Steel, 85 at 68@68½; Quebec Railway, 25 at 18½; Riordon, 5 at 117¾; Shawinigan, 1141 at 115¼@116¾; Penmans, 70 at 81; Spanish River, 25 at 51¾; Steel of Canada, 480 at 74; do, pfd., 10 at 97; Ontario Steel, 135 at 29½@29¾; Lyall, 35 at 82½; Woods Manufacturing, 65 at 85@88; Wayagamack, 25 at 52½; War Loan, 1925, $3,000 at 96½; do, 1931, $5,000 at 95; 1937, $1,000 at 94.

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BANDSMEN USED BY GERMANS ON THE FRONT LINE

Enemy Command Forced To Resort to Last Measures.

HUNS ARE DIGGING IN

Strong Resistance by Teutons Expected Along Canal-du-Nord.

With the British Army in France, Aug. 28.—The Germans have gone to the greatest length to hold their line in Picardy, and even have armed and thrown into the line bandsmen and men from the transport service. There has been hard fighting in the vicinity of Thilloy, south of Bapaume.

On the centre of the battle front the battle is raging with greatly increased violence. The Germans are reported to be digging in along a line the general direction of which may be reckoned as starting at the north bank of the Somme to the rear of Grillemont, and then northeast through Ginchy. It is believed the enemy intends to make a desperate stand on this line. Once driven from this line, the next logical place for a strong staud would be in the rear of the Canal du Nord, which runs in a northeasterly direction from Peronne to west of Cambrai. In the south the Germans have made preparations for strong resistance on the east bank of this canal.

South of the Somme the Germans also are in some force at Foucoucourt, which sticks forward in a salient that has gradually become most dangerous for the enemy.

There were vicious counter-attacks early this evening, and in some places, as must be expected, the British had to give ground slightly.

On the north the British withdrew to the west of Trones Wood. The British also gave up their foothold on Maltzhorn Farm, near Guillemont, east of Albert. South of the Scarpe the British, at last reports, had gained possession of Fontaine-les-Croiselles.

MUNITION EMPLOYEES GRANTED INCREASE

Washington, Aug. 28.—Wage increases to all workers now receiving less than 78 cents an hour in 66 plants in the munitions and related industries of Bridgeport, Conn., are provided in an award of Otto M. Eidlitz, umpire chosen by the national war labor board to decide controversies between the companies and their employees.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE.

[Reported by Edward Cronyn & Co.]

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C Bread.	20	19½	do pfd.	98	96
C Car...	38	37	Tooke...	24	20
Cement.	67¼	66¾	Tor Ry.	59½	58½
do pfd.	92¾	..	Trethewy.	25	23
C S L...	45	44	Tucketts	13½	..
do pfd.	77¾	77¼	Tw City.	46	44
CGElec.	103	102½	Win Ry.	48	..
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do pfd.	90	86½	Com'rce	185½	185
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