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## BRITISH TROOPS ADVANCE SOUTH OF THE SCARPE AND AT LENS

### Four German Planes Destroyed in Raid Over Essex--Progress at Greenland Hill--French Hurl Back Foe Attacks--Italy Proclaims Freedom of Albania--Berlin Admits Loss of Destroyer--Enemy Version of Battle at Ostend--Austria Claims Recovery of Ground From Italians--Russian Minister of War Off to North West Front

#### FOUR Foe PLANES WINGED IN RAID

LONDON, June 6.—An official announcement today says that four German airplanes were destroyed while returning from the raid over England yesterday.

#### BRITISH ADVANCE SOUTH OF SCARPE.

LONDON, June 6.—British Headquarters reports that the British last night attacked south of the Scarpe making further progress on the slopes of Greenland Hill. Ground was also gained west of Lens.

#### FRENCH CAUSE HEAVY LOSS TO HUNS

PARIS, June 6.—Today's French war office statement says there was great activity during the night along the Chemin-des-Dames front. East of Vauxsaillon and over the whole region northwest of Braye-en-Laonnais artillery fighting has become very intense. Near Hurbise the enemy launched two attacks but were driven back to their trenches after a violent engagement in which they suffered heavily.

#### FREEDOM OF ALBANIA PROCLAIMED

LONDON, June 6.—A Roman despatch today says Italy has proclaimed the freedom of Albania.

#### BERLIN ADMITS LOSS OF DESTROYER S-20.

BERLIN, June 6.—An official statement issued by the war office says "Enemy monitors shelled Ostend on the morning of the 5th, killing and wounding a great number of Belgian inhabitants, and causing some material damage to houses. Strongly superior reconnoitering forces attached to the advancing monitors, encountered two or our torpedo boats which were on guard. After fierce fighting the S-20 was sunk firing to the last moment. A portion of the crew was rescued by us. The enemy forces received several hits and retired before the fire of our coast batteries."

#### PLANS FOR ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN ARMY

PARIS, June 6.—A semi-official note says that Marshal Joffre while in America had a conference with American military chiefs at which a plan of organization for the new American army was elaborated in agreement with the British leaders.

#### AUSTRIANS CLAIM RECOVERY OF LOST GROUND

VIENNA, June 6.—The war office announces the capture of an important portion of Italian trenches south of Jamano with 171 officers and 6500 men. The ground regained was recently taken by the Italians.

#### KERENSKY OFF TO NORTHWEST FRONT

PETROGRAD, June 6.—Minister of War Kerensky has left the capital to visit the northwest front.

#### TEN MILLION SIGN UP FOR WAR SERVICE

WASHINGTON, June 5.—More than ten million young Americans enrolled themselves today for war service. Registration day, with only a few weeks of preparation, saw the first military census ever taken in the United States completed without a single untoward event of consequence.

The manhood of the nation obeyed the president's call and volunteered en masse, setting at naught all the schemes and plottings of German sympathizers and the few cranks who have agitated against registration. It remains only to select the men who are to go to the front.

From virtually every state reassuring messages came tonight to Brigadier-General Crowder, provost marshal-general, federal supervising officer of the great enterprise. While no complete returns from any state were transmitted up to a late hour, the governors were unanimous in reporting that complete quiet had prevailed throughout the day and that a full registration was indicated. In some predicts the late comers forced officials to keep the polls open until long after 9 p.m. the closing hour set in the regulations. Gen. Crowder authorized them to keep open as long as men wished to enroll themselves.

The early reports, showing a full turnout all over the country, indicated that the existence of the census bureau as to the number of men within the specified age limits would be verified by the count. Wherever partial figures were available the estimates checked closely.

NEW YORK, June 5.—Without a semblance of disorder and

with every evidence of willingness to serve, approximately 600,000 of New York sons went to 2123 registration places today and inscribed their names upon the nation's roll of honor. The entire city seemed to have sensed the significance and solemnity of the day. Pacifists, anti-conscriptionists, "conscientious objectors" and plain "slackers" kept their sentiments well concealed and attempted no disturbance.

#### LAURIER MAY ANSWER BORDEN AT NOON TODAY

OTTAWA, June 5.—Another day has been spent in "sitting."

Nearly everyone seems to be baffled by the political puzzle, and there is less disposition than formerly to speculate on the final solution. Chief Whip Pardee, who has been in Toronto, is expected back tomorrow, and other reports will probably come in to Sir Wilfrid Laurier by that time, and it is fair to surmise that some announcement may be forthcoming. It is reported on high authority that the Liberal Leader has promised to give an answer to the prime minister at noon tomorrow. If that answer is general acquiescence in the idea of coalition, considerable time may be required to work out the details. If the answer is in the negative, it will then be up to the government either to go ahead with conscription under its own steam, or endeavor to detach from Sir Wilfrid a certain number of its parliamentary followers from Ontario and the West.

Little is heard about the Alberta elections, which occur on Thursday. The Dominion Government has put no money in the campaign and the general impression here seems to be that Premier Stinson will be returned to power. Should the Conservatives by any chance carry Alberta, however, it will make a radical change in the situation. It will be interpreted to mean that the English-speaking people are coalescing on their own account to support the government, conscription, and the vigorous prosecution of the war.

Few here, however, are inclined to believe that the negotiations between the party leaders will continue without some result being announced this week. Yet the truth is that no one has much real information to go on. The members on both sides are quite in the dark, and there is no reason to believe that not all the cabinet ministers are in the confidence of the prime minister. The politicians, even those close to the leaders on both sides, are baffled, not to say "buffaloed," by the perplexing situation. It is a situation which is getting on their nerves, and something like a demand for publicity is liable to come in the house at any time. The Montreal Star this evening demands that the "dickering behind the scenes come to an end." Hence the feeling in many quarters that there will be some announcement or something in the nature of an explosion tomorrow. A prominent Conservative M.P. said tonight that the prime minister would have to declare himself at least to his parliamentary followers or a caucus would be called to demand an explanation.

**TURKS MAY UNDERTAKE DEFENCE OF JERUSALEM**  
STOCKHOLM, via London, June 5.—The Turks have changed their mind concerning the defence of Jerusalem, according to information reaching the Associated Press, from a most trustworthy source. Less than a fortnight ago the Turks had decided to evacuate Jerusalem without battle, providing the city was seriously menaced. It has been learned that this decision has been changed at the instance of the Germans and that the city will be defended.

#### FORTY-EIGHT THOUSAND HUNS HELD IN BRITAIN

LONDON, June 5. (via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—In the house of commons today the postmaster-general stated that the number of British prisoners of war in Germany was 42,831, as compared with 30,710 last year. The number of German prisoners in the United Kingdom was 48,138, compared with 40,821 last year. Since the beginning of the war the number of post-office applications for war loan, exchequer bonds and war savings certificates totalled 191,000,000. This had not affected savings bank deposits, which were now £185,400,000, as compared with £180,000,000. This, he said, was a remarkable tribute to the financial strength of the country. The announcement was received with cheers.

#### THRILLING RESCUE EFFECTED BY DIVE FROM PLANE

TOULON, France, June 5.—One of two hydroplanes manoeuvring six miles at sea today, caught fire and plunged into the water, with Ensign E. De Bishop and Quartermaster Baudo. The second hydroplane flew to the rescue.

### CHANGES IN CONFERENCE

#### Committee Reports Alterations in First Draft at Quinte Conference

Pictou June 5.—The report of the Stationing Committee of the Bay of Quinte Methodist Conference, in session at Pictou, shows the following changes made in the first draft:

Belleville District—Sydney, P. W. White; Foxboro, S. A. Kemp; Plainfield, J. R. Butler; Gannton, J. S. McMillan; Shannonville, W. W. Jones.  
Napane District—Wilton, Rufus Garrett; Enterprise, James E. Robinson; Napane (Grace), W. P. Rogers; Bohlin, Robert Stocker.  
Pictou District—Pictou (First), Alfred Brown; Wellington, A. J. Terrill; Demorestville, J. R. Merriman; Northport, J. A. Carmichael.  
Brighton District—Hilton, Anthony Hill.

Cobourg District—Welcome, Lucas Sharpe; Grafton and Gairfeith, John E. Glover; Bowmanville, Capt. W. G. Clarke; overseas with 235th Battalion, C. E. F., Samuel Selery, associate; Cartwright, J. R. Belley; Fort Perry, Wesley Elliott.  
Cannington District—Manilla, George B. Campbell; Woodville, L. S. Wight.  
Lindsay District—Green Street, Lindsay Fred H. Howarth; Cambury, A. C. Hazimab; Bethel, W. J. M. Smyth; Gooderham, Mr. Miller.

Peterboro District—Peterboro (George street), A. J. Thomas; South Monaghan, W. J. Lewis; Bethany, Wm. T. Wickott; Pontypool, T. H. Everson; Chemoag, T. Bioff.  
Campbellford District—Striding, C. H. Coon; Warkworth, A. K. Edmison; Northam, E. L. Swayne; Keene, M. E. Wilson.  
Madoc District—Tweed, A. L. Brown; Ivanhoe, A. B. Frederick; Montclair, H. P. L. Seymour; Piltou, Geo. E. Richmond; Gloyne, J. C. Warkworth.

### COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

#### Horace Cressy Sent Up On Manslaughter Charge—Hearing Given Last Night

Pictou, June 5.—Horace Cressy, the sixteen year old guard at the Trenton Munition works who is accused of manslaughter by causing the death of Mr. Louis Lapointe of that town on Wednesday last by firing a rifle, the bullet from which entered Lapointe's head, was last evening given a preliminary hearing before Magistrate O'Rourke and committed for trial. Cressy will be brought to Belleville jail today and locked up to await trial. Crown Attorney Carney appeared for the crown and Mr. A. Abbott defended the accused.

Cressy is an Old Country boy. He had been on guard duty three hours when the unfortunate shooting occurred.

In a charge of manslaughter bill is not admissible. It is understood the Militia Department will take steps for the youth's defence. Manslaughter charges can be tried only by a high court judge and jury, that is at the assizes. The next assize is in October or November.

### GUNNER LAFERTY IN ENG. LAND

Mrs. A. L. Lafferty, Victoria Hotel, has received a message from Gunner A. Lafferty of the 1st Sand D.A. C. stating that he has just arrived at Auxiliary Military Hospital, Tranmere, Birkenhead, England.

### NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH

Two Port Hope men in an automobile had a narrow escape from death while returning from Cobourg to Port Hope. They were just approaching the William street Grand Trunk crossing when they noticed the evening express was upon them. In order to avoid instant death by being struck, the driver turned his car into the ditch, hitting one of the hydrants and breaking it off below the ground. The car was very little damaged, but the break caused considerable annoyance to the driving works, as it was necessary to close down for one day while the break was being fixed.

Miss Agnes Thompson of Deseronto was in town today.

### PLAYERS FROM MOHAWK AT PICTON CELEBRATION

Deferred Victoria Day Sports and I. O. D. E. Tag Day

Pictou, June 3.—The deferred Victoria Day celebration was held here yesterday, ideal weather prevailing, and an immense crowd took advantage of the holiday. Sports of all kinds were indulged in, the feature of the celebration being aerial evolutions by the Royal Flying Corps from Mohawk Camp. The Marathon race was won by Morley Hart. The daughters of the Empire held their annual tag day, \$500 being collected. The results of horse racing were as follows:

Classified race, purse \$250—Little Wana, Stapleton, Newcastle, first; Silver Forbes, C. W. Cole, Cape Vincent, second; Jennie Pointer, Thos. Stewart, Deseronto, third. Time 2:30.

2.18 Class, purse \$250—Each heat very closely contested; Faust Pachan, C. W. Cole, Cape Vincent, first; Nick Bison, Geo. Powell, Belleville, second. Time 2:18.

2.35 Class, purse \$250—Nemo Cole, Cape Vincent, first; Sir Walter, Walters, Port Hope, second; Danger, E. Aveya, Coborne, third. Time 2:19.

### RECTOR INSPIRED HIS PARISHIONERS

Rev. Dr. Blagrave and Men of Congregation of Christ Church Improve Church Lawn.

Rev. Dr. Blagrave, rector of Christ Church, and the men of his congregation, last evening started the work of levelling and beautifying the lawn on the north and west sides of the church. Hitherto this had been impossible, owing to the lack of a sidewalk to the north, but a concrete walk has now been built and the opportunity has come to improve in beauty the church surroundings. Picks, shovels, rakes and barrows were requisitioned and put to good use. A more active crowd of men could not be had. The rector lent inspiration to his parishioners by himself wielding a shovel. The work will be continued by the men of the parish until the grounds are levelled, rolled and seeded down.

### LONSDALE RED CROSS

The following collections have been made for the Lonsdale Red Cross Funds by Mrs. Wm. Whiteman and Mrs. Jas. M. Whiteman:

Jas. M. Whiteman	\$6.00
Mrs. E. F. Anderson	3.00
Thos. Scott	2.00
Mrs. Wm. Jenkins	2.00
Peter Sullivan	1.25
Mrs. Wm. English	1.00
Mrs. Jno. Turnbull	1.00
Mrs. Jas. H. Brown	1.00
Mrs. Sam Brown	1.00
Mrs. Geo. Brown	1.00
Mrs. Wm. Kerr	1.00
Mrs. Chas. Crouse	50
Wm. Smith	50
S. W. Smith	50
Robt. Smith	50
Wm. Finnegan	50
Maxwell, Marlin	50
Thos. Corrigan	25
Mrs. Thos. Fraleck	25
Mrs. Wm. Storr	25
Mrs. Robt. Bell	20
Total	32.20

### CRAIG LODGE ENTERTAINS

D.D.C.M. Mayor Ketcheson officially visited the Deseronto Masonic brethren last night and a delightful evening was spent. Three members of the Royal Flying Corps representing English lodges were welcome visitors. Addresses were made by R. W. Bro. Rev. Mr. Craig who was the founder of the lodge thirty-five years ago; by Worshipful Master Mr. Rae and W. Bro. G. W. Wright of Deseronto and by the following from Belleville, R. W. Bro. Ketcheson, Ponton and Diamond, V. W. Bros. McIntosh and Walker and Bro. Walmsley. Scottish songs by Bro. McIntosh accompanied by Bro. Egges added to the enjoyment of the brethren at the hospitable and social "fourth degree."

### MANY TAKING HALF HOLIDAY.

Business houses of various lines closed at 12 or 12.30 today for the months of June, July and August. This is the first half holiday for the banks, which is a departure from the usual custom. The closing of the banks induced many merchants to follow suit even for June.

The opening game of the baseball season began at four o'clock this afternoon at the agricultural park.

### MILITARY CROSS FOR LT. STEEL

#### Belleville Boy Honored for Gallantry—Serving With the Engineers.

Lieut. W. Arthur Steel, of the Canadian Engineers, has been awarded the Military Cross for conspicuous gallantry on the field. He is a Belleville boy the son of the late Rev. T. P. Steel, and Mrs. Steel, now residing in Toronto. Lieut. Steel attended the Belleville High School and took an active part in the young men's society of Bridge Street Methodist Church. He took a course in electrical engineering at the School of Science, Toronto, passing with high honors. He was among the first to go to the front.

Lieut. Arthur Steel is beloved by his men, for his first consideration is for their welfare. His bravery on the field has been mentioned by many of the Engineers in letters to their homes.

### STRUCK IN LEG BY .22 BULLET

#### Herbert Mitchell of Patterson Street Victim of Peculiar Accident.

Last evening about seven o'clock, white Herbert Mitchell, of No. 2 Belleville Terrace and his brother-in-law Fred Smith, both of whom are employed at the Wilson Munition Works were driving along the bay-bridge road near the railway crossing on a motorcycle and sidecar, a bullet from a .22 calibre rifle penetrated the calf of the right leg of Mr. Mitchell and lodged there. Two boys were in the vicinity at the time engaged in shooting a game of Raynard and Norman Clapper. The impression is that none of them fired the shot but without intention of doing any harm. Mr. Smith caught the lad and secured their names.

Mr. Mitchell's wound was frosty. He was taken home in a car and Dr. Connor was called to his attendance. The bullet is still in the leg, but Mr. Mitchell will have the X-Ray turned upon it at the hospital tomorrow.

### FUNERAL OF LATE MRS. CHARLOTTE WALLACE

The obsequies of the late Mrs. Charlotte Wallace, wife of James A. Wallace were held on Tuesday afternoon at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. J. Horton, conducting service in the absence of Rev. S. C. Moore, at the residence of her daughter Mrs. Adelbert Aseltine, 40 East Moira street. The funeral was largely attended and the many floral offerings bore silent tribute to the high esteem in which the deceased was held. The bearers were Messrs Eugene Galloway, Alva Carr, Eugene Smith, Edward Patrick, Walter Aseltine and Howard Aseltine. Interment took place in Belleville Cemetery.

Mrs. Wallace passed away on Sunday. Her illness was long and she bore her sufferings without a murmur.

During all her sickness her wonderful courage never deserted her, and the patient grace with which she bore so many trials was an inspiration to all who had occasion to know her. She is survived by five daughters and two sons, namely, Mrs. Adelbert Aseltine of this place; Mrs. Joseph Lalancie, of Kennelsport, Maine; Mrs. Charles Hogadorn, of New York; Mrs. William Knox of Sanford, Maine; and Mrs. James Wilson of Toronto; also three sisters, Mrs. Gammon of Kingston; Mrs. Andrew Griffin and Mrs. Samuel Smith of Toronto.

### ALL'S WELL!

Letters from Lieut. Harry H. Ponton reports the boys of the Cobourg Heavy Battery all well on May 20, at Ribrore Barracks, Shorncliffe, Kent and all hard at work at the artillery course which is a stiff one.

### BELLEVILLE MAPLES FLOURISH

Colonel Ponton received from London, England this morning some first spring leaves cut from the Maple trees which he sent over a year ago, and which like Canadian maples have borne transplanting well, to rich soil of the Mother land.