Destruction of Million Tons of Shipping Monthly Counted Upon.

ESTIMATE EXCESSIVE

Capt. Persius Throws Dash of Cold Water on Prediction.

Reeve Wells of King Township wants the York County Council to approach the Legislature at the coming session with a view to getting that body favorably disposed Loward government assistance to farmers who want short loan credity on farm effects, such as stock and growing crops. He charged that the bank rate for short loans was too high, and that the farmers were under a great disadvantage, especially during the summer months in not being able to get an advance on their growing crops or for the purchase of live stock for feeding purposes. A government assistance to farmers were under a great disadvantage, especially during the summer months in not being able to get an advance on their growing crops or for the purchase of live stock for feeding purposes. A government system of short credits was in force in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and he urged council to take some action in the matter.

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tual, not theoretical, traffic in British ports from July to September amountports from July to September amount-ed to 6,750,000 tons, carried in British In addition, it is reported that the neutral and entente vessels. than British, entering British ports during that period brought the total tonnage up to approximately 10,-

Hope for Quick Results. Hope for Quick Results.

It is asserted that grain shipments from Australia to England are making steadily increased demands upon this tonnage, which also must transport from Denmark 60 per cent. of England's butter supply, and from Holland virtually all of her margerine supply. Any considerable reduction of this tonnage, it is claimed, would limit this tonnage, it is claimed, would limit England's supply of breadstuffs so cri-tically as to force peace within a few

on the other hand, if the United States should be drawn into the war. these unofficial critics foresee a prolongatiton of the war, and as a conclusion, Europe completely exhausted and America weakened, while Japan's military strength, they assert, virtually would be unimpaired and her financial sources vastly increased. Capt. Persius Candid.

Captain Persius, writing in The Tageblatt, throws a dash of cold wa-Tagebiatt, throws a dash of cold water upon such reasoners, which include some of his colleagues among the naval writers, by declaring that British tonnage undoubtedly will be greatly increased during the war by the building of new bottoms. He also warns them against making to continistic against making too optimistic estimates of the prospective achievements of German submarines and ments of German substitution against regarding too lightly the probable counter-measures upon which, be asserts, the British admiralty undoubtedly is jealously working.

BARRED DR. BELAND FROM DYING WIFE

Letter Throws Fresh Light on Hun Brutality in Belgium.

Quebec, Feb. 2.-A letter received here today announces that the wife of Dr. H. S. Beland, of Beauce County, a Belgian noblewoman, died recently in Belgium and that her husband, Dr. Beland, a prisoner of the Germans in Berlin, was refused the supreme consolation of attending his wife at her deathbed.

Dr. Be and was with his wife in Belgium when the war broke out, but refused to leave for England, staybehind to attend wounded Belgians and Germans in Antwerp begrans and Germans in Antwerp before the fall of that city. Some time ago, he was imprisoned by the Germans in a Berlin detention camp, and altho successive appeals were made to high German authorities, he was always refused a permit to see his sick wife, who died some days ago without seeing her husband.

A Lambton car, in charge of Motorman James Bailey, crashed into a Crescent car which was standing near the corrier of Keele and Dundas streets, causing but slight damage. Henry Lindsay, who was days ago without seeing her husband.

York County and Suburbs

SHORT LOAN CREDITS

Reeve Wells, King, Wants York Council to Approach Provincial Government.

WESTON

WEST TORONTO

DAUGHTERS OF ENGLAND Gave Entertainment and Supper Thirty Returned Soldiers.

Following the example of other local lodges, the Daughters of England entertained thirty returned soldiers from the Convalescent Home in St. James Hall last night. In addition to the provision of a supper for the men, a good musical program was rendered. Ald. Ryding, who is taking a wide interest in returned soldiers, was chairman. Sgt.-Major George Creighton and George Cliff were also present.

Slipped on the Road.

While sterping from a Dundas car at the corner of Keele and Dundas streets, Mrs. Mary Hilditch slipped, and severely injured her back. She was attended by Dr. Clender, an and taken to her home, 528 Quebec avenue, in the police ambulance.

lance.

Rifles Stolen.

W. W. Wilson, principal of the Annette Street Public School, reports that two 22 calibre Ross Rifles were stolen from the school last night. Broken glass in the south door of the building indicated where an entrance was gained.

MANY HOUSES NEEDED.

Owing to the large number employed at the new Canada. Cycle Co.'s Works at a considered that more accommodation will have to be provided. Scores of new nouses will be needed in the spring to

HAD STRAYED FAR.

Fifteen-year-old Willie J. Lee, who strayed away from his home at Owen Sound, was found roaming about the streets of West Toronto yesterday. The lad was taken care of by the police, who turned him over to the She'ter for protection. When quest'oned the boy said he came to this city to join the navy.

WAS THAWING PIPES.

While A. Gracey, occupant of house 195 Maria street, was thawing the water pipes by means of a torch the woodwork became ignited, causing \$50 damage to the kitchen. Louis Gurofsky, 113 West Queen street, is the owner. Keele street brigade was summoned.

MOTOR STRUCK CAR.

A Lambton car, in charge of Motorma

* WAR SUMMARY *

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

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many deprived them of their coal and iron fields, and, it is said, the mineral production of the allied countries alone is less than the mineral

production of Germany. The allies therefore have to derive their surplus steel and pig iron from the United States. If the United States went to war with Germany and began to raise a large army it would cut into the

allied sources of supply in order to find the material to equip the new

develop counter-measures to keep down the ravages of the submersibles and

paign has increased the prospects of Holland's entry into the war on the side of the allies. This news recalls a recent interview given out by Vis-

states bordering on Germany, for Germany was in urgent need of labo

advance, and to get the labor she would not hesitate to attack and overrun

A despatch from Holland says that the new German submarine cam-

that British ship yards will turn out a large amount of new shipping.

year to intrigue for peace or a division in the alliance.

impress the inhabitants into her slave gangs.

man organizations in Apremont forest, St. Mihiel region.

any efforts of the enemy.

FOR COUNTY FARMERS No Sign of Dropsy and Kidney Trouble Since Taking "Fruit-a-tives.



HATTIE WARREN.

Port Robinson, Ont., July 8, 1915. "We have used 'Fruit-a-tives' in our house for over three years, and have always found them a good medicine. Our little girl, Hattie, was trou-SUPPORTING BELGIANS.

There are at least eight Belgian families being supported by the donations of the Toronto Structural Size employes. This money is being paid into a fund monthly by the men, the monthly receipts being as follows: November, \$2000; Design as follows: November, \$2 bled with kidney disease. The doctor

NEWMARKET FOUR HUNDRED PEOPLE ATTEND BIG SMOKER

Newmarket War Auxiliary Holds Successful Function to Stimulate Enlistment.

Special to The Toronto World.

Newmarket, Ont., Feb. 2.—Four hundred people attended a b'g smoking concert held in the town hall tonight in aid of the 220th (York) Battallon recruiting campaign, under the auspices of the Newmarket War Auxiliary. President Wm. Keith of the auxiliary was in the chair. Addresses were delivered by Capt. (Mrs.) W. H. Parsons, Capt. H. R. Pickup and Capt. C. F. Mills. The town orchestra, Harvey Lloyd and Corp. W. H. York (220th) took part in the musical program. There were also "movies," wrestling bouts and boxing. Four men responded to the appeal for recruits. r Aux liary. President nded to the appeal for recruits responded to the appeal for recruits.

Capt. Parsons has 38 relatives in the army. 14 of whom have been on the casualty list. Three sons are overseas, and the fourth and youngest will be sail-

CALEDCNIA CALEDONIA RATEPAYERS

PASS RESOLUTIONS Ask City to Consider Laying Car

Lines on Caledonia Ave.

At the regular meeting of the Caledonia Ratepayers' Association, President

FORM NEW ASSOCIATION.

At a largely-attended meeting of the men of Runnymede, held in the King George School last n'ght, an association under the name of the Runnymede Progressive Ratepayers' Association was organized. The officers chosen are: President, Peter Jackson; vice-president, Henry Hallett; secretary, C. Bennett; treasurer, D. Jack; with an executive composed of the following: J. Clouston, C. Raybould, Ivan Andrews and E. H. Thompson. The chair was occupied by E. H. Thompson. forces. The allies, who are about to launch their general offensive against Germany, require all the material obtainable, and any interference with the supply would, perhaps, foil their offensive and give Germany another. Quite a contrast has developed between the stories of German agents at Washington about the shutting of the British Isles off from the world and their starvation in thirty days, and the most sanguine calculations of German writers at home. The most these count upon is the increasing of the rate of destruction to a million tons a month. Col. Persius throws cold water on the figures and he points out that the British navy can

HOLD ANNUAL DINNER thompson. The chair was occupied by E. H. Thompson. The chair was coupied by E. H. Thompson. The chair was coupied by E. H. Thompson. The chair was coupied by E. H. Thompson.

New Method of Reducing Fat to an only sy, God bless those boys, and I conty by the chair was not all the state of the control of the stick when decked. Whyte went of the core of the control of his stick when checked. Whyte went of the stick when checked which went of the stick when checked. Whyte went of the stick when checked. W count French. He said that grave danger now menaced the small neutral the American method of producing a slim, to construct trenches and other field fortifications in order to delay an any small country like Denmark, Holland or Switzerland. Then she would The British food controller has called for reduced consumption of food in the British Isles. The home office will rely on the honor of the without injury to the stomach, the causnation and for the present it will not promulgate any compulsory regula- ing of wrinkles, the belp of exercising or tions. Frugality for all, he says, will ensure a sufficient supply, despite dieting, or interference with one's meals, On the Somme front in France the British carried out a successful enterprise against German trenches northeast of Gueudecourt last night and took 58 prisoners. Clearer weather has stimulated aerial activity and the British machines did much useful work yesterday. The British beat off a German attack on a post near Gommercourt. The French also beat off a German attack on a post in the region of St. Georges, Belgium. Their artillery shelled with great destructive effect the Ger-

MORE ROSS RIFLES

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that the Ross rifle had been a subject of controversy in Canada for over ien years. It was undoubtedly a good target rife, but had proved itself un-suitable for active service conditions. The contract between the government and the Ress Rife Company, however, was so framed as to give the company, the right to manufacture clifes for the government indefinitely. The company could only be required to manufacture a different type of rife after one year's notice. one year's notice.

Deliveries Delayed.

At the outbreak of the war, he said At the outbreak of the war, he said, the Ross Rifle Company, at request of the government, having increased its output a greater extent har any other rifle factory on the American continent, 290,000 rifles had been ordered, of which 218,547 had been delivered. There were still to be delivered \$7,598, including come ordered before the outincluding some ordered before the out-break of the war. The last order given the company was in February, 1916, for 100,000 Ross rifles. The British Government had also given the Ross Rifle Company an order for 100,000 Rifle Company an order for 100,000 rifles in December, 1914, of which 57,-000 were yet to be delivered The prime minister said that in June, 1915, Sir John French had re-armed the first Canadian contingent with Lee-Enfield rifies reporting that 3000 of the Can-adian troops had thrown the Ross rifies away and secured Lee-Emfields from British casualties.

However, the government did not consider the French report as decisive and the second division were armed with the Ross rifle when they went to France. It was not until the publication of the Alderson letter and Sin Douglas Haig's report that it was de-

live. Finally, we decided to try 'Fruita-lives,' She began to show improvement after we had given her a few
fablets. In a short time the swelling
had all gone flown and her flesh began
to look more natural. Now she is the
healthiest one in the family, and has
no signs of the old ailment. We can
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WILLIAM WARREN.

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The prime minister said that the
government had no choice, but to fulfill its contract with the Ross Rifle
Company by taking and paying for the
nifles already ordered and yet to be
delivered. The government, however,
after consultation with the British
authorities had decided to equip
the Canadian army with the LeeEnfield rifle now being manufactured
for the British Government in the
United States. Notice to this effect
had been given the Ross Rifle Company,
but under the contract the notice would but under the contract the notice would not become effective until February 1st 1918, and after that date the Ross rifla Company would have to manufacture the Lee-Erfield rifle.

Should Seize Factory.

Mr. Carvell asked why the Fourth

Canadian Division was sent from England to France armed with the Ross rifle after the British Govern-ment had undertaken to rearm them with Lee-Enfields.

The prime minister said in reply that he could throw no light upon this beyond the assurance that they had been rearmed with Lee-Enfield rifles after landing in France and before going to the front. Mr. Carven said he thought it ridiculous for the government to keep an basing rifles for ernment to keep on buying which it had no use. We war, and the government should take possession of the Ross factory and make the kind of rifles needed. Borden Blames Laurier,

Hon. Frank Oliver made a savage attack upon the government for retaining the Ross rifle in the hands of Canadian troops after the British Government had rearmed the first Canadian contingent with Lee-Enfields. Thousands of Canadians, he said, Thousands of Canadians, he said, had been slaughtered in France be-cause their government put in their hands an inefficient weapon. Sir Robrt Borden said in reply that the Ross rifle had been created and de-fended by the Laurier Government of which Mr. Oliver was a member. If that gentleman had a conscience at all he must now be suffering from a sense of his responsibility.

TROOPS WILL PARADE THRU TORONTO TODAY

gepted. Twenty-six of those handled came up for examination only.

The 204th Beavers Battation, 950 strong, attended Loew's Theatre last even ng. Lt.—Col. W. H. Price was in command.

Altho it was below zero yesterday, Capt. Joe Lawson, 204th, he'd an out-door meeting at Yonge and Temperance streets and secured two recruits.

The 208th Irish Battation will furnish the guard of honor at the opening of the legislature.

In two weeks of recruiting in Nova Scotia the 256th Railway Construction Battation secured 103 members. At the St. Catharines depot the 255th obtained 14 attested recruits in one day.

PARK SCHOOL OLD BOYS HOLD ANNUAL DINNER

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35 KAZAKJA RUGS, in soft and silky shades of browns and tans. Suitable for landings and vestibules. Average size about 3.6 x 3. Sale price, \$12.50 each. 68 FINE MOUSSOULS, in various tones of light rose, browns and blues, and mostly in Persian Palm

Leaf and Fereghan designs. Suitable for living-rooms and halls. Average size from 6 x 3 up to 7 x 4. Regular prices up to \$55.00. Sale price, \$32.50.

A large variety of fine Kazak Rugs, in heavy and close weave of this famous Caucasian weave, in mostly geometrical designs, with blues, soft reds and some in tans. Ideal Rugs for halls and living-rooms. Sizes ranging from 6 x 4 up to 8.6 x 6.6. Prices reduced, from \$27.50 to \$95.00.

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ANATOLIAN, champagne ground, terra border and medallion, all over designs. Size 10.9 x 8.7. Sale

PERSIAN SERAPPI, terra ground and border, blues and ivory corners. Ideal dining-room rug. Size price, \$135.00. OUSHAK KIRMAN, green ground, red medallion and border, 13.4 x 10. Sale price, \$125.00. GULISTAN, red ground, blue border, palm leaf design, 13.5 x 10.5. Sale price, \$155.00.

ROYAL KIRMANSHAH, all over design, soft browns, blues and tans. Size 12.9 x 9.1. Regular ROYAL KIRMANSHAH, all over design, old rose, blues and greens, 11 x 8. Regular price \$385.00. price \$350.00. Sale price, \$275.00.

Sale price, \$265.00.

PERSIAN MESHED, red ground, blue border and medallion, 11.8 x 7.5. Sale price, \$135.00. FINE MELEZ, Chinese design, in yellow and blues, 13.10 x 10. Sale price, \$325.00. ROYAL SAROUK, dark blue ground and border, rose medallion; a very fine specimen. Size 11.6 x 8.3. Regular price \$390.00. Sale price, \$297.50. ROYAL SAROUK, deep rose ground, royal blue border, all over design. Size 11.8 x 8.3. Regular

price \$375.00. Sale price, \$285.00.
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Sale Commences Today and Continues During Entire Month of February

SOLDIERS HAD LUCK TORONTOS BEATEN

Hamilton Correspondent Says T. R. and A.A. Should Have Scored a Victory.

donia Ratepayers' Association, Fresident Dr. G. W. McIntosh in the chair, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted: "That a communication be sent to the board of education strongly profesting against the action of certain members, reported in the press, as objecting to the transfer of the medical health inspection to the medical health department of the city." Also, "That the city council be asked to consider the desirability of laying car lines on Cale-donia avenue, from north side of Norman avenue, from north side of Norman avenue to northern city limits, at same time as proposed bitulithic pavement." It was also resolved that the secretary be paid \$5 per annum.

The chairman protested against the city coying into the retail coal business, pointing out that same would result in a deficit. W. F. Maclean, M.F., Dr. Hastings and other prominent citizens were written to , requesting them to address the members at dates to be arranged.

RUNNYMEDE

THRU IURUNIOUS Automatics and the provide at the schild and the provide at the chair and the provided at Exhibition of through a ten and three-quarter-mile route-march thru To-ronto folds, starting out at \$3.30 a.m. The are feature at the senior O.H.A. fixture at Exhibition Camp are to hold a ten and three-quarter-mile route-march thru To-ronto folds. Hamilton, Feb. 2.—Luck was a prominent three capture and the Arena last night between, the 227th and the Ar Special to The Toronto World.

sions.
The soldiers rushed the puck at the start and Hennessey shot, but Crooks cleared. On the rebound Brickenden carried the length of the ice, but shot wide. ried the length of the ice, but shot wide. Hennessey again broke thru and shot, but Crooks saved cleverly. Hard checking up by the soldiers kept the puck at the visitor's end, and Drury shot, but Crooks continued his good work in the nets. T. R. and A. A. broke thru and Hill and Smith shot in quick succession, but Duncan proved a stone wall. Ferguson missered an easy shot in front of the nets. Mo-Lean had to leave the ice, being hit in the head by Green, who lost control of his stick when checked. Whyte went off to even up and six-man hockey followed. Soldiers scored first goal, Green finding the nets from a rebound off Donnelly. Soldiers scored again when Green hit the

Donnelly; right defence, Hennessey; rover, Drury; centre, Green; right wing, Blaney; left wing, Whyte:
T.R. & A.A. (4): Goal, Crooks; left lefence, McLean; right defence, Brickenden; rover, Hill; centre, Smith; right wing, Ferguson; left wing, Hicks.
Referee; Russell Sandercock of Woodstuck.

CAR STRIKES HYDRO POLE.

W. Tilley. 30 Berryman street, a chauffeur employed by the Deer Park garage, was badly shaken up and bruised last night when the motor car he was driving skidded on the slip-pery road and dashed into a hydro pole opposite 921 Yonge street. The car was damaged, and Tilley was re-moved to the General Hospital. Af-ter treatment he was able to go home. ARM FRACTURED.

Frank Franklin, 29 Osborne street had one of his arms fractured last night when caught in a roller at the lunlop Company's plant, Booth avenue. He was removed to St. Michael's Hospital.

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Who Killed Ethel Forman?

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The Forman Mystery

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Appoint Chairmen for Committees of House

Ottawa, Feb. 2 -The committees the house were organized this mornchairmen were appointe None of the committees will get to work until after the adjournment. The are as follows: Privileges and elections. W. Northrup, East Hastings; railways and canals, Richard Blain, Peel; private bils, Joi. Sam. Sharpe, North J. A. Sexsmith. East Peterboro; mas rine and fisheries Clarence Jamieson, Digby: mines and minerals F. Sheppard, Nanaimo; forests and Witerways, Garald Brabason, Portise debates, Col. J. D. Taylor, New West

Government Not to Take Control of Western Mines

Calgary, Feb. 2.-The Dominion Government authorities have abanloned any idea they may have entertained that they would take over the operation of the coal mines of District No. 18. This was made clear it and you are assured that you will by Minister of Labor Crothers, look better and feel better in every session with representatives of way shortly. by Minister of Labor Crothers, in