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HOPEFUL OUTLOOK FOR HYDRO FIGHT

Sir Adam's Splendid Work is Having its Full

OPPOSITION FLAGS
Labor Men Solidly Behind the Struggle for Public Ownership.

By a Staff Reporter.

Hamilton, Monday, Jan. 1.—Full military honors were accorded the late Serget. J. E. Letten, who was buried at Hamilton Cemetery yesterday. The 18th Royal Regiment of which he was a former member. under command of Lieut.-Col. R. A. Robertson, attended the funeral. A firing party of twelve fired a volley over his grave and the "Last Post" was sounded. Many members of the Orange Order, of which the late sold er was a prominent member, were also present. Serget. Letten was a member of the 4th Battalion and died at the Victoria Convalescent Home from stuffer in Rifles, which, under command of Lieut. Feacock, had conducted a campaign in Halton for the past month, returned to their barracks Saturday night. Despite the fact that the past month, returned to their barracks Saturday night. Despite the fact that the men worked hard and distributed literature only one recruit was obtained. Seventy-five men were signed up at the local depots during the past month for loc

the trunk line of the radial line which will run from Toronto to Niagara Falls, via Hamilton and St. Catharines. The opposition to the scheme, which was macked up by certain power interests has dropped, and with the labor men behind it Sir Adam Beck's scheme should receive the endorsation of the voting public.

Sergt. J. E. Letten Buried With Full Military Honors

Hamilton, Monday, Jan. 1.-Full mili-

* WAR SUMMARY *

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

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tries. The offers, the allies say, are also an attempt at justifying in advance a new series of crimes, as submarine warfare, deportations, s forced labor of the inhabitants of occupied countries and violations * * * * *

In their joint note the allies particularly protest against two essential assertions of the German note. These are the pretensions of the enemy to throw upon the allies the responsibility for the war and the proclaiming of victory for the central powers. The allies give evidence to show that they have sustained for thirty months a war that they did everything victory for the central powers. The allies give evidence to show that they have sustained for thirty months a war that they did everything to avoid, and they say that it is not upon the worl of Germany that a peace broken by her may be based. The enemy, say the allies, many that a peace broken by her may be based. The enemy, say the allies, is putting forward a sham proposal that is less an offer of peace than a war manoeuvre. It is founded on a calculated misinterpretation of the character of the struggle in the past, present and future. After showing that the war of the struggle in the past, present and future. After showing that the war of the struggle in the past, present and future. of the struggle in the past, present and future. After showing that the war men desired, provoked and declared by Germany and Austria-Hyngary, that Be.gium was invaded by an empire which had guaranteed her neutrality and had the assurance to proclaim that treaties were scraps of paper and that necessity knows no law, the allies say that these sham offers on the part of Germany rest on the war map of Europe. This war map, they ad i, presents nothing more than a superficial and passing phase of the situation and not the real strength of the belligerents.

In response to the request of President Wilson for united action to bring about peace, Spain has sent a note to Washington, saying that she will suspend all action until the time when her efforts and work in favor of peace can be more useful and efficacious than at the present time. These words are a sharp rebuff to Mr. Wilson.

In Rumania the battle between the Teutons and the Russo-Rumanian forces is proceeding with great vigor and it cannot be said that the allies have yet checked the enemy, for, in several sectors the Austro-Germans, heavily reinforced, have just made gains as a result of their heavy attacks. The resistance of the allies is stout and tenacious and it is slowing down the rate of the enemy's progress. Although the allies are using trenches they are probable reinforced, have just made gains as a result of the reinforced, have just made gains as a result of the reinforced, have just made gains as a result of the reinforced, have just made gains as a result of the reinforced, have just made gains as a result of the sistance of the allies is stout and tenacious and it is slowing down the rate the canners combine. The committee some time ago laid facts before the minister to show that prices of Candard in the prices of the sold ago ods were excessive and asking that the prices at whrich these goods the sold be fixed by the department. The reply, in the opinion of the committee of the sold be fixed by the department.

In the French official communication on the war, issued last night, it is announced that in the course of the year the French troops, in breaking the canners policy. Facts were laid before assault of the enemy against the Verdun fortress, and in forcing the enemy to the committee to show that the cost withdraw on both barks of the Somme have taken 78 500 Common and the committee to show that the cost withdraw on both banks of the Somme, have taken 78,500 German prisoners. of goods canned was very low, but This is a much greater number than the British and French prisoners held retail prices were very high, and by the enemy, and the kaiser's boasting about continuous victory is simply to lay further facts before the ministructed the cheapest kind of eyewash. With the captures of men made by the British to lay further facts before the ministructed on the Somme the total number of Germans taken alive in the western theater and to insist on a full investiga-arre of the war in the past year exceeds 118,000. Against that number the Germans cannot set 20,000 western allies as taken in the same period.

Hard Work of Hydro Radial Opponents is Proving Unsuccessful.

PUBLIC MEETING

Sir Adam and Engineer Gaby Explain Proposal to Big Audience.

St. Catharines, Dec. 31.-Tomorrow's contest over the hydro radial question will be most strenuous in this city in many years. Opposition organization is stronger than could be imagined, bu feeling has grown in favor of the bylaw in the last few days and public ownership advocates have been stirred to untremes to which opposition workers ar

usual activity by evidences of the extremes to which opposition workers are prepared to go.

Since the meeting last week arranged by the city council and conducted by those opposed to the bylaw, at, which Sir Adam Beck was not used with the fairness expected by the advocates, the feeling against the opposition has developed remarkably. The railway committee of council, members of which at first opposed the submission of the bylaw to the people on the ground that sufficient information had not been given, openly gave unlimited time to opposition speakers at meeting of everweek and curtailed the time alloted to Sir Adam Beck. Money was raised, and the Grand Opera House again procured for Saturday afternoon, when Sir Adam appeared for the second time. Sir Adam and Chef Engineer Gaby made a complete presentation of the case, and had the large audience with them at all times. Opportunities were given to any to ask questions at the conclusion of the meeting, but none were asked.

Just two days before the meeting a routo map of the Toronto, Niagara and Western Railway, running mainly over the proposed hydro radial route, from Fronte to a point southwest of St. Catharines, and terminating at Thorold, was sent to the city council. This was dealt with by both speakers.

"Suppose the C.N.R. built a line from Bronte to Thorold as suggested," said Sir Adam, "the people would have to put up a bonus and get whet? A spur line in, and the money that the road would make would go into the hands of the capitalists and not into the pockets of the meeting they immediately afterward

the people."

Altho oppositionists took no part in the meeting they immediately afterward circulated thousands of pamphlota against hydro radials. The statements therein have all been heard before and been dealt with at meetings.

Brantford Board Dissatisfied With Labor Minister's Report

Brantford, Dec. 31 .- The civic high cest of living committee is not satiswith the attitude of Hon. T. W. Crothors, minister of labor, towards

RADIAL CAMPAIGN WAS BIG SUCCESS

Hydro Fight in Hamilton Ended on Saturday-Beck Jubilant.

TWO MEETINGS HELD

Ratepayers Pledge Themselves to Support Bylaw on Monday.

Hamilton, Ont., Monday, January 1 -Sir Adam Beck, assisted by his associates, brought to a conclusion on Saturday night the energetic and effective campaign in the interest of the \$6,000.000 hydro radial bytaw which will be voted on today. The meetings which were held in the Sons of England Hall, Twentieth Century Club and

land Hall, Twentieth Century Club and Swales Hall, were well attended by enthusiastic supporters of the bylaw and at the finish all present pledged themselves to support the bylaw instead of voting it down and aking "the corporations and private interests."

A marked feature of the campaign was the absence of any organized opposition. Most of those speaking against the scheme presented distorted figures and unreliable statements which were easy picking for Sir Adam and only had the effect of making the opponents appear in a ridiculous light to the ratepayers. The greatest sensation during the campaign was the sudden collapse of T. J. Stewart's opposition to the scheme. Mr. Stewart appeared at one or two of the meetings but accomplished nothing. His statement to the effect that the Heutenant-governor of Ontario was not in favor hydro radials showed him up still more and at the last three meetings he absolutely refused to put in an appearance.

Read World Editorial.

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During the meeting in the Sons of England Hall, which was presided over by ex-Mayor George Lees, Gordon Wilson, M.P., more than offset Mr. Stewart's utterances when he read an editorial clipping from The Torento World, which, after discussing the many advantages of the hydro, both electric and radial, said "Premier Hearst has pointed out that the government has sanctioned these measures and sent them to the people for their approval. There is good reason to believe that he is cordially undearnestly behind them, Chippawa. Power Development, hydro radial roads, and all."

The part taken by H. L. Frost, president of the Contario Associated Boards of Trade, and F. J. Howell, in discrediting the scheme, was shown up by Mr. Wilson, who produced clip.

discrediting the scheme, was shown up by Mr. Wilson, who produced clippings opposing the original hydroelectric scheme, with Mr. Frost's and Howell's names signed to them. 'The dippings stated that the original scheme, which has proved to be such a boon to the citizens of this city, would been appearing in the press against the hydro radial scheme, bearing the signatures of these two men. "You can easily see how much they know about it," said Mr. Wilson, "when they told you that the hydroelectric system would never pay, and that you would have to make up the deficits out of your pockets. They want you now to believe the same of the hydro radial, despite the fact that the success of the hydro-electric has proved to them that they did not know what they were talking about."

Ir. Frost and Mr. Hawell were not present to back up their statements in the press, which they said were being paid for along with a number of other far-seeing and patriotic citians out of their property.

zens, out of their pockets. At an earlier meeting during the week Mr. Frost asked Sir Adam a number of questions in regard to the bylaw and apparently was so well satisfied with the answers that he did not speak in opposition at any of the future meet-

CANADIANS' SPIRIT HIGH IN TRENCHES

(Continued From Page 1). have had to take up soldiering for the defence of our ideals. We fight because we wish to work unmolested. This will not be possible until you are knocked out beyond recuperation. When this is done, we will have secured for our people that sernrity which alone makes our peaceful life possible We all long for peace. It is the only thing in the world worth having. Tha is why we must fight "
Lieutenant's Heroic End.

Canada's page of glorious valor is terribly full. Only occasional deeds find the light. The manner in which a lieutenant of an Ontario battalion met his death was told us by a general "He was the kind of lad who goes out reconnoitring in No Man's Land daylight. This particular morning he went out, crawled cautiously and picked his way thru the enemy en tanglements. He worked right to the Bosche parapet and looked over into the trench. His luck was out and a Hun saw him. As he crawled away, he was mortally shot thru the stomach. A company sergeant-major who was watching thru a periscope saw him, and at once went over the parapet to his rescue. He brought him back, the his steel helmet was twice shot thru. The ientenant told his commanding officer what he had seen in the German trench, gave a few messages for his eople and died with a smile in his There are many such incidents. We realize too little the stuff of which our boys are made."

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TORONTO MEN AMONG CANADIANS HONORED

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N. Cory, formerly with the militia Appointed brevet lieutenant-colo-nels: Temporary Brig. J. H. Mc-Brien, Canadian Dragoons; Major Ronald Okeden, Major Alexander Mer-rid, Major Vincent Allan, Lt.-Col. Wilnolds, Major Walter McKie Balfour, Major John Clement Ball, Major William Gilbert Beeman, Lt.-Col. Arthur Henry Bell, Lt.-Col. Charles Edward Dent, Major William Robert Bertram, Major Henry Eversley Boak, Lt.-Col. Russell Hubert Britton, Lt.-Col. Geo. Steven Cantley, Lt.-Col. Henry Gurney Carscallen, Major Charles Arthur Corrigan, Lt.-Col. John Jennings Creelman, Major Ludger Jules, Major Cliver Darygingras, Major Arthur Edouard Dubec, Lieut.-Col. William Henrie Findiay, Major Karl Creighton Folger, Major James Wallace Forbes; Lieut.-Col. Frederic Arthur Gascoigne, Lieut.-Col. Harry Augustus Ganet, Lieut.-Col. Harry Augustus Ganet, Lieut.-Col. William Gibson. Lieut.-Col. Harry Lockhart Gordon, Lieut.-Col. John Arthur Gunn, Major Hugh Walter Harbord, Major Frederick Owen Hodgins, Lieut.-Col. Thomas Fraser, Lieut.-Col. Homer Dixon. Lieut.-Col. William St. Pierre Hughes, Major Bernard Maynard Hunble, Lieut.-Col. Elmer Watson Jones, Major Terence Percival Jones, Walter Frederick Kemp, Lieut.-Col. James Kirkaldy, Lieut.-Col. James Eric McCraig, Major James Alexander MacDonald, Major James Alexander MacDonnell; Major Allan Brattell, Mc-Ewen, Lieut,-Col. Archibald Ernest Graham McKenzie, Major John Per-

Ewen, Lieut,-Col. Archibald Ernest Graham McKenzie, Major John Per-Graham McKenzie, Major John Angus MacDonald, Major Bartlett MacLen-nan. Capt. William Edward Manhard. Lieut.-Col. Henry Linton Milligan; Major Gordon Fraser Morrison, Major Frank Stanley Morrison, Major Lionel Frank Page.
Major Bohert Henry Palmer; Major

Johnson Lindsay; Major Rowlatt Par-sons; Major Thomas Edward Powers; Major Harry Wentworth Roscoe; Major John Munro Ross; Lieut.-Col. Lorne Ross; Lieut.-Col. John Arthur Shaw; temporary Col. Arthur Evans Snell; Lieut.-Col. John Smith; Lieut.-Col. Stewart Thomas; Lieut.-Col. Louis Tremblay; Major Paul Frederich Vileray Major Fron is Buhol Ware; Lieut.-Col. William Webster; Lieut.-Col. Bobert Percy Wright. The King invested the following Canadians at Buckingham Palace on Saturday. The distinguished service order: Major Charles Fairweather, Major John Mackenzie, Major Alfred Styles, Capt. Arnold McElliott. Styles, Capt. Arnold McElliott.

Military cross: Capt. William Gidley.
Capt. William Rogers, Lieut. Gordon
Armstrong. Lieut. Ronald Brett; Lieut.
Harry Dillon, Lieut. Switzer Freeborn,
Lieut. Henry Greenwood, Lieut.
Charles Houghton.

Styles, Capt. Arnold McElliott.

of the Somme.

Harry Lockhart Gordon, who is appointed brevet lieutemant-colonel, is a son of H. D. Lockhart Gordon, accountant, of Toronto. He went to the fornt with the Queen's Own Rifles and his

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Gaulois, Carrying More Than Six Hundred Men, pedoed in Mediterranean-Coolness of Crew Averts Heavy Loss of Life.

Paris, Dec. 31.—The French armored cruiser Gaulois was torpedoe Mediterranean Sea on Dec. 27 and sank in half an hour, according official announcement. Owing to the coolness of the crew and the an of patrol boats there were only four victims, two of whom were kill

The naval registers list the Gaulois as a battleship of 11, placement and a complement of 631 men. She carried for The battleship Gaulois Served in the Dardanelles operations, bowas back to Toulon in March, 1915, for repairs. It is possible that in armore cruiser has replaced it.

Haig Is Now Field Marshai

London, Jan. 1:—A long list of naval and military honors, conferred the occasion of the new year, includes the promotion of Gen. Sir Doug Haig, commander-in-chief of the British forces in France and Belgium, ba a field marshal; Sir Henry Seymour Rawlinson, to be a general, a Major-Gen. Jan Christian Smuts, commanding the forces in East Africa,

Companion of the Bath, practiced me-dicine at 19 West Bloor street, Tor-onto, for many years before proceed-

Lieut.-Col. and Temporary Brigadier Robert Rennie, who has received the honor of Companion of St. Michael and St. George, is one of the most popular officers who have gone to the front. He commanded one of the Queen's Own Battalions before the war. Immediately when the war broke out he volunteered for active service. He has been engaged at the front ever since on the fighting line and he commanded a Canadian brighted with great distinction, it is said, in the pattle of the Somme.

Dr. James A. Roberts, who has just distinguished conduct has won him been honored with the decoration of promotion.

Woodstock. Dec. 31.—The doors of New Dufferin Hotel were closed to public last night. It is one of the houses in western Ortario and did a knownercial trade. The proprietor. Douglas, died a month ago and Mrs. Dias did not feel like continuing the bress.

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