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the bragging spirit on all sides with

All England was stirred over the

ection in which an airman defeated

ndidate of the coalition government.

effectiveness of air-fighting. The Brit-

had the highest advice on the question

are practically abolished by the new

tors of this description is wholesome-

The war office in London has written to Canada desiring assistance

With all this need and all this inter-

this is the best that can be done.

Democracy the Real Issue

large in the eye of the public

For a long time the conception of

monarchy, as associated with the Brit-

ish Government conveyed to the av-

erage American an obnoxious impres-sion. It is only in the last decade or

ly realized.

on the aeroplane question the popular

the key to victory.

tioned. There is no difference

nts by the air fleets

AN ELUSIVE INSECT.

The Toronto World the German people may not be, but the German ruling classes can never be convinced, and Chancelor Hollweg conveyed the eternal opposition of his class to the world when he declared that Germany would fight to the death to uphoid the military domination of Prussia.

We need no more than this to un-

erstand the final issue of the war. Even were there no Belgium with its ternal infamy for Germany; even cat's-paw Austria; even were there none of the horrors of massacre by sea and murder by land which Germany has adopted as part of a national policy of frightfulness; there would remain this eternal struggle ween the people and the persons o would control them. This lies at people's principle is put safe beyond peradventure there can be no end to

The United States is at hea us, but some of her rulers are con terned about their stake in the issue and probably endure the fears and trepidations which naturally belong to bilities and the making of life death for the first time. The speed of Mr. Putnam at the Empire Clul Saturday was a worthy expressi of the thoughts of our neighbors, and which were so ably placed before us by Mr. Choate some months ago.

Minority Rule and Methods
Last week's election in Montreal has
turned out like most elections. In elected as a minority mayor. He does ong the powers in this respect, many's latest boast is of a raid on not represent a majority of the voters by over 6,000 votes. The candidate who would probably have won the election had it been a straight fight between two men was Mr. Duncan McDonald. Another candidate appeared, ian aerodrome. Each of the powers feels what Sir Frederick Benter, that the issue of the war will however, in Alderman Lapointe, ar prophesied eleven years ago by the inventor of the monorall and the Brennan torpedo, and more and more the peroplane is becoming recognized as he obtained 16,500 odd votes, which is a total of over 73,000 left Mayor Mar tin the winner with 33,250 votes, which is a minority, however respect-

Majority rule is not really in effe in any country where all voters do no vote, and where systems of voting are not adopted which insure the opinion The people of the district had been of the people being correctly registernd they knew what it meant. The ed. In a proper system of balloting there would be a second choice indicated so that in case of a minority vote for the leading candidate, the lost votes of the third candidate could be distributed between the other two. by the agitations in every part of the It is clear that the voters who cast country. France has developed her air service with the greatest ingenuity, and without regard to cost. Russia their ballots for Ald. Lapointe, when it was made clear to them that they were in a hopeless minority, would has done the same thing. Italy has have been pleased to add their votes to one of the other two men. and has spared no pains to get the The majority might have favored Marbest results. It is said by some that tin, or possibly the majority would have favored McDonald. In any case the functions of cavalry for scouting arm. The navy has gone on record the candidate with a clear majority of the votes cast would have been elected, as to the efficacy of air methods, and the danger to the fleet from a lack of adequate defence from hostile facwhich is surely the object of demo cratic government.

A great many people are not really democratic but merely wish to be on the winning or ruling side, and care not in the least how that side obtains from Canadians in organizing and pre- its authority. It is such men, or paring air service, and the young men politicians, who object to the reformed who are interested in this service and systems of voting. Another view may willing to give their money and be taken of the Montreal balloting with this in mind. If Ald, Lapointe's supporters were divided in the same proportions as the remaining voters, their votes on the proportional representation system would be added to the other candidates in the ratio which they had already obtained from the ballots directly cast for them by first choice. In such a case Mayor Martin's vote would merely be increased in the same proportion that he had already received, and similarly with Mr. McDonald's, with the result that no change would have occurred in the standing of the first two candidates. The majority would, however, have been clearly shown, and that is a most desirable end.

The present system of voting allows all sorts of trickery to be worked to the electors by the politicians who have nothing in view but the electors by the politicians with har a batterday afternoon to attend to the proportions are more desirable and the possession of a cozy and comforts. The present system of voting allows all sorts of trickery to be worked to the proportions are the following:

A. F. Webster & Son, general agents for the Cunard Steamship Co. Fapadina avenue, under Broadway agents for the Cunard Steamship Co. Passence of the city's population, the corner of their time and their ability are to be with this in mind. If Ald, Lapointe's be induced to move a finger in aid of sentation system would be added to what is actually a vital matter in the the other candidates in the ratio great struggle. If any official recog- which they had already obtained from nition were given, the amount of work the ballots directly cast for them by that could be had of a volunteer char- first choice. In such a case Mayor Something is being done by those creased in the same proportion that he who are interested to furnish a re- had already received, and similarly sponse to the wishes of the British with Mr. McDonald's, with the result army and navy, but it seems unfortunate that young Canadians who in the standing of the first two canwould like to represent their country, and who are regarded as such valuable

additions to the air forces in England, a most desirable end. are precluded by the government from giving their services in Canadian uniupon the electors by the politicians form. Col. Merritt is organizing a movement to train five or ten men a who have nothing in view but the elecmonth for the British air forces, and tion of their own candidate, and the WOULD NOMINATE ROOT defeat of the people's will wherever this comes into clash with the poliical workers' objects. In Montreal i is freely stated that the candidature among prominent and thoughtful and of Ald. Lapointe was the plan of a representative Americans in their views group of people interested in the of the war with respect to the justice street railway franchise, and that it was brought about in order to defeat of the cause of the allies. In Canada, no doubt, we are inclined to think of Mr. McDonald, and elect the mayor the British as the important factor in who had already proved complacent the opposition to Germany. In the towards the corporationists. Be this United States, however, there is a as it may, there is no doubt about the

more detached consideration of the defeat of McDonald by a minority

war problems, It is realized there vote. that not only Britain but Europe and Toronto is interested in these things the leading countries of Europe are for there are two important public engaged in the war. France, Russia, utility franchises falling in in the next six years, and the usual means may which lifted the banner of democracy no doubt about the will of the people, in 1776. It is natural, therefore, that but there is always grave doubt whatever tends to strengthen the whether the will of the people can get democratic idea thrucut Europe would itself expressed at the polls. Until a find favor among the people of the system of proportional voting has been adopted this doubt will always

KINGSTON, April 9,-Arthur Bonsion. It is only in the last decade or that a true view of British demercacy has reached the public. France is republican in form as well as in name, but British Government is republican in principle if not in form. It is believed, in an attempt to escape. He was a member of the famous Stony Mountain gang, who made such a sensational escape from the penitentiary three years ago.



A Line o' Cheer Each

Day o' the Year

By John Kendrick Bangs.

MOTIVE.

(Copyright 1916.)

Sing on, e'en tho thou has not voice:
Choose thou, e'en tho thou hast no choice.
'Tis not the voice that makes the sons,
And chained to sin thou dost

no wrong
If in thy choosing wert thou

Others Make Merry on Birthday,

While Ruler Faces

Rigors of War.

King Albert of Belgium was officially celebrated here today by an imposing

CUNARD STEAMER'S BIG LIST.

PASSENGER TRAFFIC

COMMENCES MONDAY

Navigation on Great Lakes

Opens and Ten Per Cent.

Increase in Wages.

WRECKED ON MAINE COAST.

SOUTHWEST HARBOR, Maine, iApril 9.—The schooners Josie and W. E. and W. L. Tuck went ashore near here early today during a gale and blinding snowstorm. An effort will be made to float the Josie tomorrow at high, but as the Tuck grounded in an exposed position it is feared that she will so to pieces. The grown of both

HAVRE, April 8.-The birthday

DURING CELEBRATION

KING STAYS AT FRONT

Success Gained in Vodil District, Monte Nero Zone, in Big Fighting.

ROME, April 9.—Owing to a heavy bombardment of their newly won pos-itions on Rauchkofel in the Cristallo in good order to avoid useless losser. They also repulsed a surprise Austrian attack on their positions in the Vodil district, Monte Nero zone, and by a prompt counter-attack the forced the hostile troops back in disorder, taking 5 officers and 126 me prisoner and capturing a machine gui. They also surrounded and capture an advanced Austrian advance post if the Goebena sector in the middle Isonzo.

Fires were caused in the gre rian provision depot of Opcina, northeast of Trieste, by the bombardment of an Italian dirigible.

celebrated here today by an imposing manifestation at the Belgian Ministry of War. The ceremony was attended by all the members of the Belgian Cabinet and diplomats accredited to Belgiam. Great enthusiasm prevailed as the Belgian and French guards of honor defiled, and the bands played the national airs of Belgium, England and France. King Albert remained at the fighting front, where a great number of cables and telegrams of congratulations were received by him from the rulers thruout the world. **NEW HEADQUARTERS** FOR LIGHT INFANTRY

Two Hundred and First Now Situated at Corner of College and Spadina.

The 201st Battalion, Toronto Light Infantry, have said good-bye to their temporary quarters at Harbord Col-legiate Institute and have formally taken possession of their commodious new headquarters on the west side of Spadina avenue, under Broadway

FOR THE PRESIDENCY

Movement Launched by State-ment Signed by Seventy-four Prominent Republicans.

CLEVELAND, O., April 8.—Passenger navigation on the Great Lakes, between Cleveland and Detroit, will be opened Monday, the general agent of Detroit and Cleveland announced today. Two boats will leave Detroit for Cleveland Monday, one in the morning and the other in the evening. It was also announced that all Detroit and Cleveland crews would receive a ten per cent. wage increase. T. L. Newman, general manager of the Cleveland and Buffalo line, which operates passenger ships to Buffalo from here, said he did not expect to see boats operating on that line until the last of April. NEW YORK, April 8.—A movement for the nomination of Elihu Root for the presidency, launched last night by a statement bearing the signatures of 74 prominent Republicans, is supported by Robert Bacon, former member of Col. Roosevelt's cabinet, and one of his closest friends. In a statement published today, Mr. Bacon said:

"My first choice is Elihu Root; my second choice Theodore Roosevelt."

Mr. Bacon last week was host at the luncheon which brought Col. Roosevelt and Mr. Root together for the first time since the latter opposed Mr. Roosevelt at the Republican National Convention in 1912.

ORDER OF LEOPOLD FOR SIR By a Staff Reporter.
OTTAWA, April 8.—Sir Robert Borden has received from His Majesty the King the royal license and authority to wear the Grand Cordon of the Order of Leopold, which decoration was recently conferred upon him by the King of the Belgians.

MICHIE'S FAMOUS CONVICT NOT INSANE. BEAURICH CIGARS

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FIVE CHILD PERFORMERS

English Theatre During Patriotic Entertainment.

LONDON, April 9.-Five child per rmers were burned to death on the stage of the Garrick Theatre at Hereford Friday night. It was a chil-dren's entertainment to provide comfell on the final scene, and the audience was departing when the cry of fire was raised. A panie ensued. Many in the audience were crushed, but none seriously injured. The fire was confined to the stage, where the performers were wearing dresses. performers were wearing dresses covered with cotton wool for a snow scene. The flames spread furiously and the children ran frantically about the stage with their garments on fire.

DUBLIN REVIEW EDITOR DEAD.

LONDON, April 9, 6.47 p.m.—Wilfred Philip Ward, author, and editor of The Dublin Review, died today at Hampstead, aged 60 years.



In "The Only Girl," at the Alexan

Without Success. LONDON, April 8.—A Reuter despatch from Amsterdan, dated April 7, says that Dr. Karl Liebknecht, Socialist, was the only speaker when the naval budget was presented yesterday in the reichstag for second reading.

GREECE HAS A NEW MINISTER OF FINANCE

Dragoumis Stepped Out Because Violent Engagement Raged All of Clash Over Fiscal

Measures.

LONDON, April 9.— Stephen Dragoumis, Greek minister of finance, has resigned his portfolio, says a Reuter despatch from Athens today. He is succeeded by D. G. Rhallis, minister of justice and communications, who retains the communications portfolio, M. Hatzakos becoming minister of justice.

incident during a discussion of fiscal measures in the Greek Parliament, according to a Havas despatch from Athens under date of April 3.

BELIEVE NEW TRAIL WILL LEAD TO VILLA

New Cavalry Columns Hurried Southward and Others Take Different Directions.

GENERAL PERSHING CAMP, SOUTH OF NAMIQUIPA, April 7.—
(By aeroplane and wireless to Columbus, N. M.)—New cavalry columns were hurried southward today, while the other columns in the field are taking a new direction. The new movements, coupled with other reports received, increase the conviction of Brig.—Gen. Pershing and his officers that troops on the new trail of Villa, opened several days ago, following reports made by an aviator, are on the right track.

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The American line of pursuit is now 400 miles long and some of the difficulties encountered by the troops thru the rocky passes were indicated in the report of an aviator today, that he had been obliged to drop messages in a small parachute to an advanced detachment.

tachment.

New reports of Villa's flight received today said that because of his wounds Villa is riding on a stretcher carried on the shoulders of his men, and that he is accompanied only by a small personal bodyguard and rearguard.

SOCIALIST MEMBER WAS ONLY SPEAKER

Fire Broke Out on Stage of Tried Repeatedly to Discuss Von Tirpitz's Resignation, But

nation as havai minister, and also the question of Germany's submarine warfare, but he was called to order and finally ordered to desist. The budget passed its second reading during the evening, the despatch adds.

SPECIAL ONE-WAY FARES TO PACIFIC COAST POINTS, DAILY UNTIL APRIL 14.

FRENCH DEFEAT FOE IN BATTLE NEAR VERDUN

Sunday West of River Meuse.

MOMENTARY SUCCESS

Germans Gain Trenches Near Avocourt, Only to Be Thrown Out.

(Continued From Page 1.)

he French works to the northeast of avocourt and momentarily succeeded a gaining a foothold in the trenches, out a French counter attack at once but a French co

Effective Aid from Argonne. Just west of the scene of this fighting the French batteries in the Argonne did effective work in shelling a sector with heavy shells where the enemy was seen collecting important bodies of troops, and they also fired on columns of Germans on the march in the region of Mont Faucon and Nantillois, German batteries were also actively engaged in the bombarding of French organizations at Cote du Poivre and round the line Douaument-Vaux. They also fired over on the French second line of defence, but the French threw out a curtain of fire and prevented the Germans from debouching from their trenches.

The capture by French troops of

Trenches.

The capture by French troops of about 150 metres of a German trench southwest of Douaumont Village, northeast of Verdun, was announced by the Paris war office this afternoon, Progress in communicating trenches south of the village also was reported. The Germans made two hand grenade attacks on French positions in the Caillette wood, in this region, but both were repulsed.

were repulsed.
West of the Meuse there was only feeble artillery activity.

AMERICAN TROOPS ARE ON FRESH VILLIA TRAIL

Roundabout Reports State That Bandit is Being Hotly Pursued.

EXPEDITIONARY HEADQUAR-TERS, south of Namiqu Pa, April 5, by aeroplane and wireless to Columbus, N.M., April 8.—That the American troops are on a fresh trail of Villa is a report made by an army aviator and an observer who returned today from what may prove one of the most important scouting flights of the year.

CONFESSES TO AIDING IN FERRY POSTAL THEFT

James Moran Surrenders to U. S. Marshal and Claims Part in Security Robbery.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 8.-James Moran surrendered himself to a Unit-ed States marshal in San Diego last Those contemplating a trip to Pacific coast points, including Victoria, B.C.; Vancouver, B.C.; Seattle Wash.; Portiand, Ore., etc., should consult Canadian Pacific ticket agents for particulars of low fares in effect daily until April 14.

de States marshal in San Diego last night and confessed, according to F. H. Morse, postal inspector here, today, to aiding in the Liberty street ferry postal robbery two months ago in New York, when nearly a million dollars in securities were stolen.

JEMIMA'S RECRUIT

"CLOKE" WILSON used to come in every now and then and talk to I thought he was a no-account and never paid any attention to him.

He wasn't my style with his fresh face, reddish hair, and pop eyes.

He looked a good bit too cheeky and I could see he was stuck on himself.

After the war came on he met me one night and wanted to walk home

I had no use for him and conveyed the idea.

I told him that a man with nothing to do but smoke eigarettes and go

Or sit on the bleachers when the weather was pleasant ought to entist. He said he had not thought about it much, and what was the use of him He had no one to fight for or care whether he fought or fooled around. Then he said, "Sure you don't came? Will you give me a kiss if I enlist?" I replied. "No, but I will give you one when you come back."

That was a year ago, and today the paper had his name in the roll of

It is hard to think of "Sloke" Wilson in the roll of honor. It is hard to think of "Sloke" Wilson in the roll of honor.

He seemed to be a no-account, but he went and fought the Germans.

I don't know whether he went because I said so,

Or whether he went because he had it in him to go.

If he had come back I would have kissed him.

I think that where he has gone to some one will meet him with a kiss.

Jemima Jones.

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