

WILD, JOYOUS SCENES MARK END OF WAR IN WESTERN ONTARIO

Cities, Towns and Villages
Turn Out En Masse to
Celebrate the Signing of
Armistice.

Unparalleled in the history of this country were the scenes that marked the announcement of the signing of the armistice, that practically brought the war to an end, throughout this district.

Western Ontario, faithful and strong in its loyalty to war-time, was just as strong in its enthusiasm yesterday in giving vent to its joy over the fact that hostilities had ceased.

Parades, speeches, prayers of thanksgiving, and bonfires in which the effigy of the Kaiser was burned, were the usual forms the celebration took.

DELIRIOUS AT HAMILTON.
HAMILTON, Nov. 11.—Hamilton was thrown into a delirium of joy at 2.45 this morning, when the official peace flash came. Every bell in the city pealed out the tidings while factory whistles and engine whistles shattered the atmosphere. Shrieking first, and then racing through the streets, and awake that part of the populace which did not respond to the first great shout. Crowds that had waited around the bulletin boards for hours assembled at the Gore, where the Highways had been held, and the national anthem, "God Save the King," was played. The scene was a magnificent one, and the celebration was immediately made for a monster celebration today.

BRANTFORD CUT LOOSE.
BRANTFORD, Nov. 11.—Brantford cut loose this morning with the announcement of the signing of the armistice. Within a few moments the crowd gathered, and events followed in quick succession. The Highways were closed, and a special service of thanksgiving, conducted by Mayor MacBride, Capt. C. E. Jenkins and Rev. G. A. Woods, was held from the balcony of the Exposition office.

Following this service, which was declared to have been the most impressive ever held in the city, the parade was formed and carried on for many hours.

CHATHAM AT IT ALL DAY.
CHATHAM, Nov. 11.—Chatham has celebrated all day today and will still be celebrating the signing of the armistice tonight. There have been three parades of a more or less organized nature, and tonight a big mass meeting in the armories. The city has been, since noon, a scene of jubilation. The city has been, since noon, a scene of jubilation. The city has been, since noon, a scene of jubilation.

BROKE LOOSE AT SARNIA.
SARNIA, Nov. 11.—Pandemonium broke loose in Sarnia shortly after 6 o'clock this morning, when every whistle on all the factories, both here and in Port Huron, and on all the passing steamers, started up immediately upon the news arriving that the armistice had been signed. The celebration was suspended as soon as the word arrived and all factories, stores and other places of business closed up. Even the banks closed their doors at 11 o'clock this morning.

W. & V. Throng.
The crowds varied through the downtown streets in a merry holidaying throng. Everything that could possibly be used for noise and jubilation was pressed into service. An impromptu parade formed up shortly after dinner, and crowds let loose of their pent-up feelings and joined in the biggest celebration that has ever been held in Sarnia.

Celebrate Today.
The real parade for celebration, however, will be held tomorrow, and Mayor Crawford has proclaimed the day a public holiday, and all business houses will be closed in honor of the occasion. All committees have been organized, and the celebration will be arranged. The monster parade will start at 10 o'clock, and will parade through the downtown streets, and will be held in effigy. A special gallows has been constructed for the ceremony by the Imperial Oil Company. Thousands of dollars worth of fireworks have arrived in the city, and the fireworks display Tuesday night promises to surpass anything ever held in Western Ontario. A special committee has been formed to produce nothing but noise, and the chairman of the committee promises several new noises. The celebration will be held for two full days and probably include a big parade, and the time of their lives now after over four years of war, and are in a most joyful mood, enjoying the occasion to the utmost.

SWEET INGERSOLL AWAY.
INGERSOLL, Nov. 11.—Peace celebrations today typified the intense joy that swept over the town when it first became known that war had ceased. The noise of bells and whistles was continuous.

while the band played. A big torchlight procession tonight closed the celebration.

BEST IN GALT'S HISTORY.
GALT, Nov. 11.—Galt's history has never been anything to compare with today's demonstration. Following the receipt of the news of the signing of an armistice, from the time the news was received at 4.40 until well after midnight the streets were crowded with a cheering, joyous crowd, and in the early hours of the morning scenes were riotous.

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HOLIDAY AT HARRISTON.
HARRISTON, Nov. 11.—From early morning all the town whistles and bells in town have kept up the serenade announcing the closing of the war. All places of business are closed, and a wheel turning in the factories. All are out to celebrate, and it is being done joyously. At 2 p.m. a grand procession was formed at the market square, headed by the brass band and the Highways, followed by the high school and public school pupils, the Daughters of the Empire, Boy Scouts and all factories.

There were 230 autos in the procession, all beautifully decorated. At 2 p.m. the parade was held, and the Highways joined in the celebration, accompanied by the local citizens. The parade was held in the afternoon, and the celebration was held in the morning.

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The day's celebration ended tonight with a dance in the Free Press hall.

put on by the young people. There were numerous bonfires, and a world of celebration in the course of the evening.

ALDERMAN KISSED FLAG.
KITCHENER, Nov. 11.—In connection with the unprecedented celebration here this morning, Ald. A. L. Bittzer, with bare head, kissed the Union Jack on the steps of the city hall before thousands of people. The flag was presented for the alderman to kiss by returned soldiers.

GREAT DAY AT TEESWATER.
TEESWATER, Nov. 11.—One of the greatest days in the town's history, on information of the surrender of Germany, started at 6 o'clock this morning by the ringing of bells and whistles which told the people that the war had come to an end. The town council met at 8 a.m., and Reeve Ferguson proclaimed the day a public holiday. The doxology, reading and patriotic songs were rendered, and speeches were delivered by Lieut. Carson, United States ordinance department; Mayor W. S. Dakin, Pte. D. Findlay, president of the G. W. U. A., and Dr. Waddell.

The parade, the finest yet attempted, was headed by Britannia, a tank made by the Hamilton McCallum Company, which propelled itself, followed by all the war veterans of the city in uniform, and in command of Lieut. A. J. Every shop in the city was represented by the display of the numerous shops being exceptionally attractive. The employees of the shops marched in bodies, and there were hundreds of automobiles and decorated vehicles. There were a number of bands in the parade, and the office of the Kaiser was prominent.

BIG NOISE AT COEDRICK.
COEDRICK, Nov. 11.—From 7 o'clock this morning when news was received that Germany had surrendered, until a late hour tonight, this town has been wild with enthusiasm. On the arrival of the news, bells and whistles were a sign for the people to gather on the square, and in a short time a large crowd had gathered. A meeting was called by the mayor, and all stores and factories were closed by proclamation.

WILD DOINGS AT WINDSOR.
WINDSOR, Nov. 11.—Surpassing even the wild celebration of a few days ago Windsor today gave itself over to a general jubilation to mark the end of the war. Every business concern remained closed all day while the workers crowded the downtown streets in the midst of merriment and bonfire.

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