

Greece Complies With Allied Demands
Italians Creeping in on City of Gorizia
Serbians are Making Their Last Stand

TAKING AIR TRIP, TORONTO TO NEW YORK

Pilot Instructor of Curtiss Aviation School Left Long Branch To-day.

TESTING OUT NEW MACHINE

Toronto, Nov. 25.—Hector Carlstrom, pilot instructor of the Curtiss aviation school, left the hangers at Long Branch ten miles west of the city at 8:30 o'clock this morning on a daring 600-mile flight to New York City. If all goes well he will land at Governor's Island in New York harbor at about 4 o'clock this afternoon. The flight being made in six hours with an average speed of 100 miles an hour. Carlstrom is flying in a direct line and his height will probably be about 4000 feet for most of the trip. The flight is being made as an endurance test of a new model Curtiss land machine, much larger than any of those which have been flying about Toronto during the summer. It also has a new model 160 h.p. engine. The machine is known as model "R 2."

DISCUSSING WAGE INCREASE WITH UNIONS

Government of Britain Not in Favor of Higher Wages, But Will Control Prices.

London, Nov. 25.—In view of the fact that many trades unions are starting a new movement to secure further increases in wages, the trades union executive have been called into a conference at the instance of the government, to hear Premier Asquith, Reginald McKenna, chancellor of the exchequer, and Walter Runciman, president of the Board of Trade, discuss national finances and consider with the ministers the financial position of the nation in relation to organized labor. The conference is set for December 1. It is understood that the government does not favor fresh attempts to secure higher wages in the present crisis and that Mr. Runciman will explain what the government is prepared to do with regard to the control of prices, especially of coal and freight rates with a view, as far as possible to keeping down the prices of the necessities of life.

Joseph Benson, 70 years old, of Calumet, Mich., was so excited with joy at killing his first deer that he dropped dead, almost upon the body of the animal.

Again Italians Score Success Against Austria

Rome, Nov. 25.—An important victory for the Italians was scored yesterday when Austrian trenches between the fourth summit of Monte San Michele and the Church of San Martino were taken by storm and held in spite of desperate counter attacks, says an official statement issued to-day by the war office. The capture was taken by storm and held in spite of desperate counter attacks, says an official statement issued to-day by the war office. The capture was taken by storm and held in spite of desperate counter attacks, says an official statement issued to-day by the war office.

The defenders surrounded and a large part of them taken prisoners. The enemy immediately bombarded the lost positions with shells of all calibre, and behind a curtain of fire massed important forces for a counter attack east of San Martino.

While our infantry held firmly their positions, exposed on all sides, our batteries with rapidity and precision concentrated a quick, well directed fire on enemy columns and dispersed them. Five hundred and fourteen prisoners, many of them officers, fell into our hands and we captured great quantities of provisions, munitions and war materials.

Enemy aeroplanes dropped bombs on Arsiero, where no damage was done, and on Ala, where four soldiers were wounded. One of our air squadrons bombarded an enemy camp at Assevizza, another camp was being made at Aidussina, and railroad stations at Vagersko, Aidussina, Reifenberg and San Daniele. Our aeroplanes, which were fired upon as usual by anti air craft guns, returned undamaged.

Missanabie In England

Troopship Carrying Ontario Soldiers Reported Safely Across the Ocean.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 25.—It is officially announced through the press censors office that the troop ship Missanabie, which sailed from Canada on the 13th of November, has arrived safely in England. The following troops were on board 47th battalion (British Columbia) 36 officers and 1115 men; drafts (horse artillery) 2 officers, 1100 men; engineers, 9 officers, 104 men; infantry from Ontario (reinforcements) 3 officers, 244 men; medical corps, 2 officers, 78 men; civilian doctors for regular army, 11; details 7 and three Belgian reservists.

YOUNG HARLEY MAN WOUNDED AT THE FRONT

Elmer Metcalfe of 31st Battalion is Reported in To-day's List.

The casualty list to-day shows the name of Elmer Metcalfe, 31st Battalion, wounded at the front. He is a young man, 20 years of age and is a brother of Mrs. T. E. Patterson of New Durham. His parents are dead, but he has a step-mother, who is at present visiting his uncle in Iowa. Mr. Metcalfe left Harley some time ago and was in the West. He was a very popular young man and a fine type of character. He was working his way through college and had one more year to put in when he enlisted from Calgary. His father was the late Gilbert Metcalfe of Harley.

Thanksgiving Dinners.

New York, Nov. 25.—More than 5,000 Thanksgiving Day dinners were served to the inmates of public institutions here to-day. In addition, thousands of free dinners were distributed to the poor by charitable organizations. Owing to the belief that there is less distress among the poor people here than for several years, some of the large charitable organizations discontinued their custom of giving large dinners.

Big Motor Race.

San Francisco, Nov. 25.—A 100 mile match race to decide the world dirt track automobile speed championship is one of the features of the Thanksgiving Day program at the Panama-Pacific Exposition to-day. It is conceded that the track is not a fast one. The pilots entered for the race are Barney Oldfield, Earl Cooper, Teddy Tetzlaff and Cliff Durant. A \$5,000 purse was the prize.

Ctto Glasburg, 22, is under arrest in New York for failing to keep an alleged promise to marry Mrs. Celia Fischer, aged 45, who has four children.

FIRST DETAILED REPORT OF THE INCIDENT WHICH KILLED FOUR MEN ENLISTED HERE

Corp. G. Patte Had Left the Group Only Five Minutes Before the Tragedy—He Helped to Pay the Last Sad Rites—Later Had a Close Call With Another Shell.

The following letter received from Corpora George Patte tells its own sad story—

Somewhere, Nov. 3rd. Dear Dad—Just received your letter to-day and was sure pleased to hear from you, although sorry to learn that you were feeling under the weather. However hope you have entirely recovered by now. Did not write you at all last week, as it was pretty near impossible to get any mail out. We were occupying the front line of trenches and believe me it was sure some sloppy job we were up against. It rained mostly all the time we were in, and as the trenches have to be practically rebuilt at this particular spot, we were short of dugouts to get in for shelter. There are two communication trenches leading in each about a mile and a half long. These communication trenches are built to allow us to enter the front line in safety. They are usually about six and a half or seven feet deep and wide enough for a man to walk easily. These rains have caused them to cave in at several points, so you can imagine the state they are in. mud and water up to your hips. We were out last night after dark, and take it from me, it was some nice job. We were wet to start with, in fact were never dry all week, but by the time we reached our billets we were mud and slime from head to foot. Personally I scraped mine off my trousers with a knife. So you see we are soldiering for fair at present, but they say this weather lasts only five months, so we should worry. To-day I was issued with a long pair of rubber boots, that come right up to the hips, so you see my luck still sticks, and in more ways than one, which I will mention later. Now, Dad, by the time you receive this, you will have heard of our great loss in paving Percy O'Neill, Vernon O'Neill, Corp. Stevenson and Jimmie Lowes, killed in the old days. Percy and I had together, and I think they were stick-

en down without a moment's warning, four of the finest fellows in the world doing their duty to the last. It is another count against Mr. Kaiser. He will have to settle some day, and God help him when it comes. It was my place to throw the dirt in the graves, when the chaplain said "ashes to ashes and dust to dust" and it made me feel pretty bad walking along those four graves throwing a little earth in each. Next morning had just received your parcel of tobacco and handkerchiefs. W. R. Smith and myself were sitting in the dug-out, he was making a fire to dry our out and I had just opened your parcel and had the tobacco laid along on the blanket behind me, when they started shelling again. We thought we would be safe. However, a few minutes afterwards one hit the dugout showing it all in on us, covering us with earth and sand bags. You can bet we got out in a hurry, I buried all our stuff. We had to dig it out afterwards. I got everything except one package of Old Cham, my gloves and puttees. At least that is all I have missed so far. We were wearing horsehoes that morning. It was a close call. It seemed almost impossible for a fellow to be in it and to escape injury. It knocked out a big rat, it was the only casualty. After they had quit shelling we went down and I got the nose of the shell out of a sand bag on the dugout. It weighs about eight or ten pounds. Will ship it home the first opportunity as a reminder of one of the close calls a fellow has.

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BALKAN EVENTS MARCHING VERY QUICKLY TO DISASTROUS END FOR THE SERBIANS

Approaches to Kossovo Plain Which Were Expected to Form a Strong Defensive Already Have Been Traversed by Invaders—Situation in South Remains Unchanged

London, Nov. 25.—Military events in the Balkans appear to be marching swiftly to a conclusion disastrous to Serbia. The approaches to this historic battlefield of Kossovo Plain, which were expected to form a strong defensive line seriously delaying the advance of the invaders, already has been traversed. In the ensuing battle, the Serbians are reported to have been unable to withstand the shock of the attack and they are now said to be in retreat toward the Albanian border. Since the fall of Pristina and Mitrovitz, the keys to the Serbian defensive position, final Serbian retreat has been regarded as inevitable.

In the absence of late information concerning the situation at Katchanik Pass, it may be assumed the Serbians are still holding this position. In the south where the allied troops are operating, the situation is unchanged. Within twenty miles of Bagdad, the British army is advancing through Mesopotamia. After a serious battle with heavy losses on both sides, the British troops retired three or four miles below the position they had captured from the Turks, owing to lack of water.

The violent struggle on the Austro-Italian front continues unremittingly. Rome reports an important victory for the Italians in the capture of Austrian trenches in the region of Gorizia.

TEXT NOT PUBLIC YET. Although the full text of the Greek Government's reply to the collective note presented by Entente powers had not yet been made public in England, there is every indication that the British Government is satisfied with the position taken at Athens. The assurances given by Greece differ in marked degree from the previous expressions of benevolent neutrality. They are neither vague nor evasive, but promise explicitly that no military measures will be taken against the Serbians, French or British troops in case they retreat to Greek territory.

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Canon Ridley Dead. Gal. Ont., Nov. 25.—Rev. Canon John Ridley, rector of Trinity Anglican church, died this morning after a short illness. He had been rector for 29 years. He was in his 71st year and is survived by his wife and young son.

Germany Claim Success. Berlin, Nov. 25.—via London.—"The army under General Von Koenig took about 10,000 Serbians and 19 cannon near Mitrovitz. In the Pristina swamps and on the Sancer River, 7,400 prisoners and six cannon fell into our hands. The amount of war material and other supplies taken is important."

The willow is said to be the quickest growth tree in Britain.

PTE. DUMBLE HAD LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Pte. Dumble who was killed on November 7th in Belgium, and buried in a little country church yard, and who worked at Massey Harris Co., here, was very popular with his comrades. So highly did they regard him that they have taken up a collection in order to buy a little memorial stone to place over his grave. Pte. Dumble was born in Ber-

wick-on-Tweed, 36 years ago, and about two years and a half ago, came to Brantford. Previous to coming here he had served for 16 years in the British army having seen service in India and South Africa.

Pte. Harry Shaw, 35 Stratcona avenue, is a fellow-townsmen of the deceased. All his personal effects have been given to Pte. Shaw, who will take them to England. A regrettable feature of the affair is that both men were to leave together on leave, but Dumble was killed before they could get away. Pte. Dumble was unmarried but left three sisters. While here he resided with Mr. Robert Grieve, 70 Park Ave.

Eddie Brunner, partner of Frank Mulken, the boxing promoter, known as the "millionaire newsboy," was killed at Milwaukee with his wife in an automobile accident.

Cruiser to Mexico

U. S. Warship San Diego Sails to Protect Lives Menaced by Indians.

San Francisco, Nov. 25.—The United States cruiser San Diego, carrying an extra complement of 300 marines is scheduled to sail to-day for Topolobampo, on the west coast of Mexico, to protect 250 men, women and children, mostly Americans, whose lives have been endangered by attacks of Indians. The marines comprise the first battalion of the fourth regiment under command of Col. Myers. They had been stationed at the Panama-Pacific exposition grounds for several months. The men received instructions to prepare for "tropical service ashore," which was taken to mean that they would land at Topolobampo.

ENGLISH PAPERS BAR FORD MOTOR ADVERTISEMENTS

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SCHOOL PICTURES DID NOT ARRIVE

It was the intention of The Courier to publish to-day another group photo of Ryerson school. Owing to the failure of the engravers to forward cuts, this had to be omitted. Friday's issue will contain the remainder of Ryerson School children groups and on Saturday the group of St. Basil's and St. Joseph's schools.

Racing in Mexico.

San Diego, Cal., Nov. 25.—The winter meeting at the new Tijuana, Mexico, race track will open New Year's Day and continue for 100 days, it was announced to-day. The open book will prevail, it is said.

Women Trustees.

Montreal, Nov. 25.—The Protestant board of school commissioners of Montreal has received an application to admit woman as trustees from the council of women. The application was made last night by a deputation which included Professor Carie Derrick of McGill and Dr. Grace Ritchie of England.

Greece Meets Demands of the Entente Powers

Athens Nov. 25 via London 12:25 p.m.—Greece has met the demands of the Entente powers and given guaranties that their requirements will be fulfilled. Official announcement is made that the reply to the collective note presented by the Entente ministers has been delivered to them. The announcement says— "The reply is couched in very friendly terms and gives satisfaction of the demands of the Entente powers and all guarantees considered essential. The collective note was presented to the Greek Government on Tuesday. As outlined in unofficial despatches, it contained no request for Greek intervention in the war with the Allies, but asked Greece to give assurance that she would preserve her friendly attitude in case the allied troops now in Macedonia should be compelled to retreat across the frontier to Greek territory.

SIR SAM SAYS THE SITUATION IS UNBEARABLE

In London To-day and Will Sift Trouble There to the Bottom.

HELD MEETING WITH OFFICERS

London, Ont., Nov. 25.—General Sir Sam Hughes, accompanied by General Hodgins, arrived here this morning to investigate the affairs of the Thirty-third battalion. General Hughes stated the investigation would be a strictly private one, but declared that the probe would go to the bottom, both as regards the street battles with the police and the alleged grafting which has been under investigation for some time. London, Ont., Nov. 25.—"I am going to sift this thing to the bottom," said Sir Sam. "I am going to find out who is at fault and we will get at the truth of things. The situation here is unbearable, and it must be cleared up. It will be, too, or I do not know my business and will have something to say later."

TWO MORE LOCAL BOYS FOR FRONT

Messrs. Harvey Ryerson and Arthur Livingston Join Overseas Force. Next Tuesday, Messrs. Harvey Ryerson and Arthur Livingston will leave for Toronto, where they will join the 5th University Company. They both passed the medical exam. on Tuesday in Toronto. After six weeks training in Montreal they will leave for the front to act as reinforcements to the "Princess Pats." Both of the boys are very well known and popular in the city. They were both active in all sports and social events at the Collegiate while there and they will certainly be missed by their many friends.

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