

NEW QUEEN'S OWN UNIT AUTHORIZED

Ottawa Approves Formation of Two Hundred and Fifty-Fifth Battalion.

SURPRISES COURT

Sergt-Major F. H. Elliott Said to Own Goods He is Charged With Stealing.

Word received from Ottawa yesterday authorizes the new Q.O.R. active service unit to be known as the 255th Depot Battalion, C.E.F., and explains that the battalion will be called upon to provide drafts and reinforcements for units now overseas raised by or affiliated with the Queen's Own Rifles. The Q.O.R. has sent two complete units overseas, the 33rd and 166th Battalions. It also has strong representations in a number of other C.E.F. units. The Ottawa order confirms the announcement that the 255th will have Lt.-Col. G. C. Royce as commander and Lt.-Col. S. W. Bond as senior major.

Members of the Q.O.R., and also the present members of the regiment, should be greatly interested in the organization of the new members' association, which is now completed with offices at 1511 Bank of Hamilton building, former Q.O.R. men are being urged to come forward and join in large numbers to show their loyalty to the old regiment.

Conference at Headquarters. Major J. Hillier, commander of the new 248th Grey Battalion, was not at Exhibition camp yesterday. He conferred with headquarters respecting the organization of the 255th and interviewed a number of officers seeking appointments with the unit. Today he is expected to head the headquarters of the battalion, from where he will recommend his officers.

It is understood that a few of the officers of the 201st (Toronto Light Infantry) will be absorbed in the 248th. As the Grey Battalion may be the last to go overseas as such, it promises to be a highly popular unit. Already there has been a rush of officers trying for a place with it. The commander expects good recruiting results in Grey County.

The officers conducting the court-martial before which Frank H. Elliott, C.A.M.C. (Base Hospital staff) appeared, charged with misappropriation of foodstuffs valued at \$13.04, were given surprise yesterday afternoon when Grayson Smith, counsel for the sergt-major, produced a receipt from the firm which delivered the goods specified in the bill that they had been delivered on the personal order of the sergt-major and were not the property of the hospital.

Returned Today. The court-martial will resume the enquiry at 9.30 this morning. Thirty recruits volunteered for active service yesterday. Fifteen were accepted. The Army Service Corps secured three, the Artillery and 20th Battalion each two and the 18th, 21st, R. C. D., Veterinary Corps, Signalers, Guard, Police, each one.

The 48th Highlanders paraded last night 418 strong under command of Lt.-Col. W. C. Darling. Serjt. T. Young has been appointed battalion sergt-major, while sergt-major in the school of musketry. Major-General Logie will attend the court-martial.

presentation of colors to the 216th Battalion at the armories on Tuesday night. Lt.-Col. G. H. Wilkinson, senior district chaplain, and Rev. Dr. James Henderson, pastor of Timothy Eaton Memorial Church, will officiate in the consecrating of the colors and Mrs. Timothy Eaton make the presentation on behalf of the church.

A medical board composed of Captains H. R. Holme, W. M. Wilkinson and W. E. Brown will examine the 182nd Ontario County Battalion at Oshawa today.

Snapshots of the Meighen Meeting

The Ward Six Conservatives certainly had a big meeting, and Solicitor-General Meighen proved to be a stellar attraction. Mr. Meighen is not so much to look at, but when he gets under full steam he takes no dust from any spell-binder in Canada. He was in good form Thursday night and handled his case well; yet it was rather the speech of a lawyer than of a politician. The crowd did not get a really good chance to cheer until the Hon. Dr. Pyne tied up the Liberal party with the German navy at the battle of Jutland.

Mr. Meighen was too intelligent to defend the deal by which the International Nickel Co. has evaded paying its just share of taxation for the past ten years. It has escaped, as we all know now, by illegal agreements, first with Hon. Mr. Cochrane as minister of mines, and then with his successor as minister of mines, Hon. Mr. Hearst. Mr. Meighen absolutely declined to defend the provincial government. He had enough on his hands without attempting that.

Mr. Meighen did not deal with The Providence Journal story about Canadian nickel being on the Deutschland. He contented himself with showing there was plenty of nickel in the United States for German submarines, and said that a bullet made with Canadian nickel wouldn't hurt a Canadian soldier any more than a bullet made with some other nickel. That pleased the crowd, but it will not brighten the homes of people who have lost sons at the front.

It must be said to Mr. Meighen's credit that he made the best case that could be made for the government. He is one of the good criminal lawyers of the country, and apparently has not retired from practice. He had some figures and statistics that seemed to bore holes in Mr. Dewar's argument, and the crowd enjoyed every hit he made, and applauded heartily. He had a pretty tough time defending the Henry Merton Company, for he had to admit that they certainly had been caught red-handed smuggling Australian zinc into Germany, and had been denounced in unmeasured terms by an English judge, and by the solicitor-general of England.

Nobody started anything, which is a rare record for a Ward Six Conservative meeting. One man had a resolution ready regretting the resignation of Sir Sam Hughes, but he suddenly disappeared. When last seen he was standing near an open window on the second floor of the building. A special guard was appointed to look out for Jimmy McCausland.

The way Mr. Meighen blamed everything on the admiralty, and made out an alibi for the Dominion Government, resulted in the smaller of the two vagrants in the Opera of Ernste, who was constant in calling out: "It's a just offence, and I can prove an alibi."

Russia Resolves to "Carry On"

BY FRANK H. SIMONDS.

The fall of Sturmer, the Russian premier, and the appointment of a man in sympathy with the duma is the most important incident in Russian history since the czar took the command of his armies after the great defeats that began at the Donnic and ended at the Berezina. This act of the czar put the prestige of the dynasty at stake, and was a final answer to the German hope and the Russian fear that the Germanophile influence of the court and the bureaucracy had triumphed, and that Russia would make a separate peace.

When Sturmer succeeded to power relatively recently and Sturmer went into retirement, the world was again filled with reports that the German influence had triumphed and Berlin once more began to hint broadly at a separate peace. What has happened since that time has been hidden from the world. All that has come thru has the growing suggestion of unrest and even of revolt in the duma.

Broadly speaking the duma represents the national and the popular emotion of Russia. It not only represents the domestic demand for liberty and progress, it represents the national demand for the prosecution of the national war against the German who is for the mass of the Russians the true enemy. It is the German, associated in his mind with the agents and forces of reaction and absolutism who has the whole-hearted hate of the Russian.

The real peril, so far as the Russian participation in the alliance against Germany is concerned, has always been that the court party would gain control, and there have been many moments when it seemed possible. Germans have never forgotten that a change in czars saved Frederick the Great, and German hope of a change in Russian policy that would eliminate the great Slav foe has endured to the present hour.

Yet we have had many signs recently that the Germans were abandoning this hope. Recently it was pointed out here that the proclamation of an autonomous republic for the province of Vienna and by Berlin that there was no chance of a separate peace. Still more recently Count Apponyi, in discussing the question of peace, expressed the view that all differences between the central powers and their allies save for Russia would be agreed upon, and that Russia would remain an enemy to be feared and fought.

At bottom, the present war is a war of liberation for the Russian people. It is a war in which the French in their own way to protect the revolution from monopolistic European empires, as in the case of the Russian despotism. But the Russian people are not merely the German influence in Russia tended to strengthen the arm of the bureaucracy, it has also brought about a situation where Russia has been ruthlessly exploited by German industry. The German merchant and the German manufacturer have dominated Russia since the virtue of a treaty wrung from Russia at the moment of the Japanese war has obtained a practical monopoly in the Russian trade, and a very great industry of Russians. When the war came, it was caught on in Russia instantly, not merely because of racial and religious sympathies, but because the Russian people, merely because of their ambition to possess Constantinople, but also because the German was hated and the war to exclude the German from Russia was a popular desire among the masses of the Russian people. When German victories led to the invasion of old Russia soil, the Russian people responded as did the French in 1912.

In a very real sense the present is the Napoleonic struggle, but now, in addition to the patriotic emotions roused then, there is the emotion stirred by the unmistakable desire of the Russian people to free itself from the old bureaucratic and absolute system under which they have lived so unappreciated in recent decades.

Already a revolution has taken place and some acute observers suggested, when the czar took command after Russian disasters the front of the czar, the personal wishes of the czar are about his army and it is not hard to believe that these influences would have triumphed had there not been a national sentiment and emotion too strong to be ignored and too powerful to be suppressed.

In the eyes of the European world, Sturmer, when he came to power, came as the representative of the court, and the friends of Germany. He represented the conviction of the Russian nobility that the one escape from liberalization in Russia was the victory of Germany. The defeat of Germany meant to them the collapse of the main bulwark of the old order, the ultimate triumph of western areas and western democracy.

Conversely the fall of Sturmer will mean in Paris and London, and doubtless in Vienna and Berlin, that the Russian revolution has triumphed. It has gone, and that the present Romanoff has chosen the escape to the east of Europe, rather than by marching with his people rather than by intriguing with his brother sovereigns.

We know too little about Russian affairs here to draw any conclusions, yet the best proof of the necessity of what has happened in Russia and of Germany is the victory of Germany to all who know Russia that the people are for the war and resolved that they shall have again and against the people by victory. It is true that there shall be again and against us that we have already seen the court bow to the people.

Now Russian despatches escaping the censor, not by any accident, only may be seen, have reported a struggle,

have reported the determination of the Duma to see the war prosecuted to victory and the liberal ideas of western Europe prevail in Russia. At the moment the effect of the new change in premier may be looked for at the front rather than elsewhere, perhaps in Roumania, but in the end the latest political conflict in Petrograd may have a landmark in Russian history, and indeed, in European history. This is at least possible, it seems probable. Thus the German victories in Roumania may prove minor when compared with the defeat that German absolutism has sustained in Petrograd.

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STEFANSSON LETTER RECEIVED BY PERRY

Head of Canadian Expedition Hopes to Locate Grocker Land.

LONG STAY IS PLANNED

Stefansson Expects to Remain in North Until Year After Next

Washington, Nov. 24.—A letter came to Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary here tonight from Stefansson, who for three years has been in the far north, at the head of his Canadian Arctic expedition. It has been on the way to the north since December 17, and part of it was written more than two months before.

Warmly thanking the admiral for his refusal to credit rumors reaching America two years ago that his party was lost, Stefansson wrote of his plans for the spring and of his hope to see Grocker Land, reported by Mingos, Peary, despite the failure of the Macmillan expedition to locate it.

Admiral Peary thinks Stefansson probably carried out the program for the last spring and summer and returned to his winter base. In a letter received recently, Stefansson reported that he had held in some detail of his plans, giving notice that he expected to leave the north until 1918, and asked that no relief expeditions be contemplated before that time.

DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE AT OTTAWA MEETING

Hearty Sympathy With Work of Red Cross Society Expressed.

Ottawa, Nov. 24.—The Duke of Devonshire made his first appearance at a public meeting in Ottawa this evening, when he attended the annual meeting of the York County Branch of the Red Cross Society. He expressed the heartiest sympathy for the duchess and himself with the work being carried on, and stated he would take a personal interest in the activities of the society in Canada.

THE CANADIAN HOWITZER BRIGADE

Members Have Forwarded Many Presents to Boys at Front.

The sixth Canadian Howitzer Brigade Auxiliary held its regular working meeting yesterday at the house of Mrs. Frank A. Rolph, East Roxborough street. Mrs. J. M. Gardhouse, convener of the work committee, presided. The following were present: Mrs. J. M. Gardhouse, convener of the work committee, presided. The following were present: Mrs. J. M. Gardhouse, convener of the work committee, presided.

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The family were in the sitting room at the time of the outbreak in the kitchen, and the flames spread so rapidly that Mrs. Bell and children were compelled to make their escape thru the window.

The damage is estimated at \$250, and the building is covered by insurance.

NEWMARKET Students of High School Told of Soldiers' Heroism

The assembly hall of the Newmarket High School was filled last night when Chancery McLennan of McMaster University gave an address on "A Life of Service," dealing with the great heroism and self-sacrifice of the soldiers now in service in foreign lands. The students provided a most enjoyable musical and literary entertainment.

The Sudden Cold Snap Will Hurt Ontario Root Crops

Farmers in the city yesterday from different points thru Ontario all say that the extremely sudden cold snap has caught thousands of farmers napping in the gathering of their root crops, and that the loss will in all probability be heavy. A slight frost does little if any injury to the turnip crop if they are allowed to remain in the ground until mild weather arrives, but everything now hard and tight, and there is little chance of a thaw out this fall. It would be yesterday that this fact would be one of the reasons given in the event of a still further rise in the price of milk.

Saturday at Dineen's



Now is the time for men to buy to advantage in Dineen's Fall Hats, Coats, Fur and Fur-lined, and Winter Cloth Coats, Gloves, Gauntlets, Caps and Robes for motoring and driving.

Dineen's are most especially importers of English hats, and their stock is large and well assorted. The predicted early advance in prices will not be applied at Dineen's as long as the present stock lasts and orders placed with the English manufacturers continue to be filled. Friday and Saturday are always busy days at Dineen's. It is then the busiest men's store in Toronto. But there are always plenty of salesmen to give prompt attention.

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WEST TORONTO

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN BY MCCORMACK L. O. L.

F. McClure Elected Worshipful Master—Basketball Opens.

The annual meeting and election of officers of McCormack Lodge, L.O.L., No. 2142, held in Calvin Hall, resulted as follows: W.M., F. McClure, D.M., J. F. McCarty, chaplain, F. Dunn, secretary, G. S. Sargent, financial secretary, C. H. Hogier, treasurer, W. Dunlop, director of ceremonies, Donald McDonald, lecturers, Neal Neurgard and Stenham; committee men, L. L. Stead, J. Miller, Bros. Anderson, Miss School.

The opening game of the season of the Intercollegiate Basketball League was played at the western branch of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday evening, when the Humboldt seniors defeated the seniors of Commerce by a score of 28-25. The game was well played, both teams holding one another in close check.

St. Paul's Anglican Church, Runnymede, held an annual men's meeting last evening. The speaker of the evening was A. Monro Grier, K.C. A. hymn service was held, and a musical program was rendered during the evening. Rev. Ed Morley was chairman.

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TOWNSHIP OF YORK TAXES, 1916

Ratepayers are reminded that Thursday, December 7th next, will be the last day for allowance of discount on Municipal Taxes for 1916. Ratepayers of the Township are urged to make payment at once so as to avoid the rush on the last day and the possibility of overlooking payment. Cheques issued in payment must be "marked" by the bank, and a stamp affixed and be payable at par in Toronto to the order of the Township Treasurer. If payment be made in cash the exact amount should be tendered in order that the payee might not be detained. Receipts for taxes sent by mail will be forwarded as soon as possible, provided "add ressed return envelope" accompanies remittance.

WIPING RAGS AND CHEESE CLOTH. E. PULLAN

20 Maud St. Ad. 780

Woman Falls From Trolley And is Seriously Injured

Mrs. Edith Hielop, 255 Russell Hill road, sustained a fractured skull when she fell from a street car at the corner of Avenue road and Dupont street late last night. She was removed to St. Michael's Hospital, and her condition is critical.

THREE SEK DIVORCES.

Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 24.—Colin D. Poole and Albert E. Gordon, Toronto, are seeking divorces from their wives, and Florence E. Snyder, of Lockport, from her husband, Edward Lockport.

WAR SUMMARY

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

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positions north and south of the river untenable, for they will be able to advance into Bulgaria and to strike for Sofia and Belgrade.

Thus the campaign in Roumania has resumed a dramatic and an interesting stage. If the allies, fortified by the assistance coming down from the north, can put sufficient punch into their blows they have a chance of relieving their losses and of dealing Germany the worst defeat she has yet seen. On the other hand, delay may be most dangerous even than some persons imagine. The enemy, however, cannot be said to have attained his object until he captures Bucharest. That city has been well fortified on modern lines, and if he attacks it with a large army of Roumanians and Russians in the field, it will give them an opportunity to attack him at grave disadvantage. Similarly, if he attacks it under the cover of the German and the Bucharest garrison will attack his rear. So in order to under- take a campaign in the interior of Roumania the enemy must have much larger forces at his disposal than have yet appeared on the scene.

The German attacks against Russia in the region of Baranovitch, are probably undertaken on account of the withdrawal of Russian troops from this region for service in Roumania. The Germans, by means of prisoners taken somewhere on the Roumanian front, have identified some of the dividers of the Russian lines in order to create nervousness about the safety of this front, so as to affect the situation that is about to develop in the Balkans. No person imagines that the Germans and Austrians are going to walk into that a country without encountering a formidable resistance from the allies. The Russian supports have been slow in their arrival, probably because they had to come 600 miles. Brusiloff does not intend to let go his grip on the German and Turkish armies standing before Lemberg and Kovel, and as soon as he has the Roumanian tangle straightened he will be prepared to resume his forward drive.

Gen. Sarrail is making great headway with his international army in its march into Macedonia, and the satisfactory feature is that the German stamens to stop or even check the advance. The fighting has been ferocious and the allies are pushing on with grim determination. As usual, the Serbians night's communication says that they are winning the most spectacular laurels, miles northeast of Monastir, and that they have severely beaten the Germans, depots, engineering instruments and other material. The French, Italians and into the defences of the enemy. The Italians, advancing west of Monastir, have reached Nijipole.

Force may have to be used by the allies to compel the Greek troops to disarm and to evacuate strategic positions in the neutral zone about Salonica. The Greek officer in charge at Katrina has refused to withdraw. In the capture of the Bulgarians and German occupation of Seres, before which the British garrisons surrendered on secret orders from King Constantine, it has been learned.

Altho inactivity has prevailed on the French and British fronts during the past week, the Germans interpret it as due to winter conditions and as a sign that the allies have definitely ceased to trouble them. Their correspondents telegraph home that the allies will find the Germans prepared to all the allies could desire would be to find the Germans prepared as they were on the Ancre.

Another hospital ship, the Braemar Castle, has been sunk by a mine or on board were rescued. The British Government has called to the notice of the world another flagrant violation of its pledge to the United States in regard to the destruction of the Rappahannock and the loss of all her crew, this outrage is characterized as murder.

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