

ITALY HAS 1,200,000 MEN READY

On the Italian frontier, April 16—Italy today has 1,200,000 men ready under arms. They are from twenty to twenty-six years of age. They are perfectly armed and equipped.

BRITISH OFFICERS IMPRISONED IN GERMAN BARRACKS

London, April 16—The foreign office was advised today by Ambassador Page that Ambassador Gerard at Berlin had forwarded to Washington confirmation of press reports that Germany had imprisoned thirty-nine British officers in military detention barracks in relation to the decision of the British government to refuse honors of war to the crew of captured German submarines.

PRaise for Canadians BY GENERAL ALDERSON

Toronto, Ont., April 16—Speaking of the recent Easter visit of the Bishop of London to the trenches, Hal R. Gordon, B. A., with the first contingent, says: "His address was short and to the point. He told us in brief that we are fighting for civilization against barbarism, for liberty against tyrannical forces, for Christianity against paganism. He impressed us as a human being, rather than a church dignitary. General Alderson told us briefly that work in the trenches had been satisfactory and that he was sure that the more trying work to come. I think our cheers could have been heard in Berlin. There is no doubt that a better man than General Alderson could not have been found to command a better like our division. He's a human being, not a ramrod with a uniform."

STRIKE TIES UP GREAT AMOUNT OF BUILDING

Chicago, April 16—Work practically tied up on building operations, valued at \$30,000,000 here today, and 100,000 union men were thrown out of employment as a result of a strike of 100,000 union carpenters for increased pay. The men went seventy cents an hour instead of sixty. They were offered an increase of two and one-half cents for the last eighteen months of the three-year agreement.

TUGS MUST HAVE LIFE SAVING APPLIANCES

The owners of tug boats, especially those which do coasting business, have been notified that henceforth they must have life boats swung on davits. They must also have a life buoy for their passenger on board. The life boats must be fitted with air tight tanks.

LOUIS J. McPEAKE

The death of Louis J. McPake will be learned with regret by many friends in Carleton and in the city in general. He died today at Parry Sound, Ont. He was a son of the late F. C. McPake of Carleton Place. There will be deep sympathy for those bereaved. Mr. McPake was twenty-seven years of age, and was in the office of the C. W. Railway at Parry Sound. He had been in the west for the last five years. Relatives here were unaware of his illness, and the news of his death came as a great shock. He is survived by one brother, Edmund, and three sisters, Mrs. Hilda, Montreal, and the Victoria, Waller E. Morris, West St. John, and Misses Florence and Hilda, at home. The body will be brought home for interment.

BURIED TODAY

The funeral of David E. Raynes took place this afternoon from his late residence, Raynes avenue, Fairville. Burial services were conducted by Rev. Gilbert Earle, and interment took place in Cedar Hill.

BIRTHS

BURLEY—On April 14, 1915, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Burley, 36 Guilford street, West— a son.

DEATHS

McPEAKE—At Parry Sound, April 16, Louis J., son of the late Francis J. and Rosa V. McPake. Funeral notice later.

FIRST STEAMER ON WAY FROM FREDERICTON; REACH ICE IS OUT

According to reports from up river today the ice in the Reach has run out and the steamers will be able to resume their regular sailings. The Majette was expected some time this afternoon from Fredericton and the Oonsee is also due at Indiantown.

REAL ESTATE NEWS

Transfers of real estate have been recorded as follows: St. John County, L. A. Brown, per secretary of municipality, to Codrill Miller, \$400, property in St. Martin's Kings County.

WAR NOTES

The Swedish steamer Polke was sunk off Fetheddah Wednesday night by a mine or torpedo. The captain, seven sailors and stewardesses are missing. Canada has responded well to the appeal for the patriotic fund. The total cash received to date by the minister of finance is \$678,848 and the disbursements \$1,284,044.

RECENT WEDDINGS

MacLean-Kinnear. Rev. W. B. MacLean, of Cabotville, N. S., and Miss Edith V. Kinnear, Halifax, a trained nurse, were married on Wednesday in the North Baptist church, Halifax, by Rev. M. L. Green, assisted by Principal MacKinnon.

CLAIMS TO CURE LEPROSY

San Francisco, April 16—Leprosy is curable and there is little danger of contracting the disease, as I have been having none but leprosy scars in my home for years. This statement was made by Dr. Adolph H. Boehmer, who has arrived here from Slam. For five years Dr. Boehmer was surgeon-general of that country and private physician to the late King Chulalongkorn. He has studied leprosy exclusively for several years. "All the house boys I had during many years in Slam," he said, "were afflicted with leprosy and they disappeared in a few days when they came to me. The cure is sure and leprosy could be stamped out in this country in a short time. Dr. Boehmer intends to go to Cuba to study the treatment of tropical diseases.

DEATH IN FAIRVILLE

The death of Albert McGuire, a well known resident of Fairville, took place this morning. He was in the fifty-eighth year of his age and is survived by his wife, two sons, William and Octavian of Chicago, two daughters, Mrs. Roy Langard and Miss Olga, at home, one brother Edward, of St. Augustine, Florida; also one sister in Waterbury, Conn. Many friends will regret to hear of his death.

A CONSERVATIVE PROTEST

The St. Andrew's Beacon, Conservative, agrees with the view that "no election should take place till the way is clear, unless that event should be unduly prolonged." The Beacon says further: "The revelations before the committee inquiring into the purchase of war supplies have been most humiliating to all right-thinking Canadians. Surely the most condign punishment should be meted out to those mercenary scoundrels who have so shamelessly swindled their country and lowered the good name of their countrymen in the estimation of the world."

AT THE RANGE

The best scores at the city rifle range yesterday among the men were: Standing—T. Mechar, 88; A. Harwood, 90.

E-Senator Aldrich Dead

New York, April 16—Nelson W. Aldrich, former United States senator from Rhode Island, died today of heart disease.

Harry Asher, an ex-minister, charged with attempting to murder Rev. John McPherson Scott on December 8 last, was found guilty yesterday in Toronto and remanded for examination as to his sanity.

Mr. Smith again arrived here yesterday from Halifax, where he was attending the annual meeting of the Maritime Ship Owners' Association. Mr. Smith was re-elected president, and F. K. Warren, of Halifax, secretary-treasurer. Important matters pertaining to shipping were discussed.

CEDAR HILL BILL UP AGAIN TODAY

Fredricton, N. B., April 16—The Municipalities committee this morning considered two bills from Moncton. A large delegation from Moncton attended. The bills were agreed to, the only important amendment being that made in a bill regarding a plebiscite on the question of market site. A codicil was added to provide that if the council agreed to build on the old site the plebiscite would not be asked for.

THE WAR

(Continued from page 1.) These places are said to be without anti-aircraft guns.

SWIFT TO DEATH IN RAPIDS AT THE FALLS

So far as could be learned today the identity of a man drowned in the reversing falls yesterday afternoon remained a mystery. His relatives have given his name as Ferris, inquires among families of that name today gave no clue.

ATTACK LONDON?

(Continued from page 1.) London, April 16—The "Star" reports that a German aeroplane has been brought down near East Church. The aeroplane which dropped bombs on Faversham was shot at by local marksmen but their aim apparently was poor. Flying over the town, the aeroplane dropped another bomb, but the only result was the digging of a hole in an orchard. Still another bomb was dropped into a chalk quarry. The German machine then started for the sea by way of Deal from which direction it had appeared over Kent.

SAVING EYES

The slight protective value of glasses is more important than the immediate sight improvement gained. By taking away the fatigues, headaches and nerve-wrecking strain and restoring normal sight, properly fitted glasses protect against further injury to the eyes and permit them to do their work naturally.

L.L. Sharpe & Son

21 King Street, St. John, N. B.

LOCAL NEWS

For men's boots at low prices, call at Bassett's, 207 Union street.

"The Perils of Pauline, Episode 33, Gen today.

Scotch coal Singles, cheap for cash. Small quantity, George Dick, 11.

JUMP AT THIS Chance to get everything you need in men's wear at money saving prices on Saturday at Corbett's, 184 Union street, 4-18.

Ladies' house dresses, regular \$1 to \$1.35, now selling for 95c. Gilbert's Purchasing Store, 47 Brussels.

ONE BOTTLE ONLY OF "BLUE RIBBON" Bristle Dry Glycerine will convince you that ginger ale is the best beverage to drink here in St. John a ginger ale is being produced the equal of any which ever came across the Atlantic. The demand proves this statement.

COME TO HUNT'S CLOTHING SALE TOMORROW

This great sale is now in full swing. Make these sale days count for you. Come and save from 20 to 50 per cent on your spring clothing and furnishings. Positively the biggest bargains we will offer this year, for your choosing tomorrow. Extra surprises for you—Donaldson Hunt, 1740 Charlotte street.

KING HAT SATISFACTION

Wear a King hat and wear the smile of satisfaction. A hat for every face. Spring styles galore. Beatty & Giggsey, 107 Main street.

Men's working pants from 95c. up at Bassett's, 207 Union street.

IMPORTANT TO DEPARTING SOLDIERS

The dry canteen in the big army and the Imperial Cigar Store, King Square, are selling all kinds of lighter, especially designed for use aboard ship in stormy weather and for use during military operations on land or in trenches. It is a combination of slow burning fuse, an emergency sparking wheel without any oil or oil mechanism whatever and gives no flame, which is forbidden at the front. These lighters come in the form of a tin and are sold for the small sum of 85c.

Royal Scarlet Chapter meets tonight.

The Holy City illustrated in B. M. Hall, St. John West, tonight.

JUDGMENT TOMORROW

Owing to John G. Sperdake being still absent from the city, Magistrate Ritchie reserved judgment regarding the Lord's Day case until tomorrow morning.

T. S. Simms & Company, Limited, have several openings for girls in brush factory; steady work, pleasant surroundings.

OF INTEREST TO YOU

Our suits are bought from the best manufacturers in Canada. It is no bankrupt stock or neither is it bought up for a sale to defraud the public. The best of material and the best of skilled labor go into every garment, which also is sold at our absolute guarantee.

As we are in the low rent district our prices are therefore lower than our lowest competitor.

See our large assortment of men's and boys' suits for spring—Beatty & Giggsey, outfitters to men and boys, 687 Main street.

CHAS. F. FRANCIS & CO.

Special sale prices—14 pounds granulated sugar for \$1.00; tomato or mustard sardines, 6 tins for 95c.; can lobsters, extra fine, 20c.; can salmon, 12c.; corn, 8 for 95c.; peas and string beans, 6c. Everything marked down, great reductions for cash.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

On Thursday afternoon Miss Edna Crowley entertained about fifty of her little girl friends at a birthday party at her parents' home, 184 Union street.

We carry a special assortment of boys' and girls' school books, at very low prices—Bassett's, 207 Union street.

HAVE YOU TIME?

If you are rushed, come to the Grand Union Cafe, Mill street, for a quick lunch. Our luncheons, dinners and suppers give satisfaction to everyone.

The Wheat Market.

Chicago, April 16—Unprecedented demand from exporters at Buenos Ayres today gave the wheat market an upward swing.

The Best Quality at a Reasonable Price

Saving Eyes

That is the work of our Optical Department—saving eyes for our patrons.

ONLY 60,000 SEALS

Newfoundland Hunt This Year Worst in History.

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SOON TO SAIL

The schooner Flora M., which was recently on Gregory's blocks being repaired and fitted up for a trip to the Magdalen Islands, is expected to sail in the near future. She is taking a cargo of salt there and will return with a cargo of fish.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER. The Sun Never Sets on. Known the world over as "the best baking powder." Royal Baking Powder contains no alum. It is made from pure cream of tartar, which is derived from grapes. Hence, it assures wholesome and appetizing food, free from all adulterants that may go with would-be substitutes.

EMPIRE DAY

Board of Education Desires Special Observance This Year

It is the desire of the Board of Education of this province, that the observance of Empire Day, which will be held this year upon Friday, May 21, shall be more than usually emphasized, owing to the great crisis in British history now impending.

To this end all teachers, school officers, pupils and citizens generally are invited to participate, and the co-operation of Canadian clubs, Daughters of the Em-

pire and other patriotic societies is requested.

Mrs. George J. Clark, vice-president of the federated Canadian Clubs for New Brunswick, is taking much interest in the matter and bringing it to the notice of the various Canadian clubs throughout the province.

Mrs. G. A. Kuhring, president of the Women's Canadian Club of St. John, has offered on behalf of that club, to supply and distribute an Empire Day programme to all the schools of the province.

It is expected that exercises of a patriotic nature will be held in each school room during the formation of the day, and that in the afternoon a public meeting will be held in each school or district, at which there will be given patriotic addresses.

His Honor the lieutenant-governor has consented to preside at the public meeting in connection with the Provincial Normal School, and Rev. Dr. G. M. Campbell will be the orator on that occasion. The schools and citizens of Fredericton will be invited to join in this meeting which will be an open air one if weather conditions warrant.

Mrs. Frank Davidson, widow of a former well known lumber operator of Bridgewater, N. S., is dead aged sixty-three years, leaving two daughters and one son.

Buy a Brass Bed Now at Our Special Reduction Sale and Save 20%. Others From \$10.90 to \$59.00. Very attractive designs, 2 inch posts, 20 half inch fillers, with 1/2 inch centre post, finished bright or satin. SPECIAL SALE, \$25.50. Massive Brass Bed, 2 1/2 inch continuous posts, 2 inch fillers, full foot piece, finished satin or poleat. SPECIAL SALE, \$35.90. 25 DIFFERENT DESIGNS TO SELECT FROM AND ALL SOLD UNDER AN ABSOLUTE GUARANTEE. J. MARCUS 30 Dock St. Store Open Evenings

PERSONALS

D. King Hazen returned home this morning on the Montreal train.

Friends of Louis McGloin will be pleased to learn that he has recovered after a recent illness. He underwent an operation by appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Elliott have taken up their residence at Mount Pleasant avenue, East St. John.

FRIENDLY CO-OPERATION BY FAIRVILLE CHURCHES

The Fairville churches have lately shown several instances of friendly co-operation in regard to the things they hold in common, and in which they each serve the community. They have now planned for the holding of a Sunday School Institute, in which each church will have a part.

WANTED—To purchase, a moderate priced two family house or small self-contained house, central. Please state price and terms. Apply W. P. care Times. 26392-4-19

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Elwood Burt's first drive on the Keewick has reached his mill. The first logs are expected at Springhill early next week.

S. W. Babbitt and A. R. Babbitt of No. 6 company Canadian Engineers called here by death of their father, who will arrive for Halifax this evening to join their corps.

LE TOUQUET HOSPITAL.

Acknowledging receipt of funds for a new Brunswick ward in the hospital in France, Lieut.-Col. Shillington says they have 320 beds in the hospital and 240 beds in tents, and take care of British as well as Canadian soldiers.

Too Late For Classification

ROOMS and Board, 44 Exmouth St. 26389-4-28

WANTED—Holsey Sawyer. Apply in person, 600 Cheapey street. 26411-4-29

FOR SALE—Cash Register, Ross Drug Store, 100 King Street. 26412-4-

GIRL WANTED for general housework, 220 Bridge street. 26408-4-28

WANTED—Good general girl, no washing. References required, Mrs. C. Percy Humphrey, 107 Leinster St. 26409-4-29

WANTED—15 or 20 experienced machinists, also 8 or 4 Tool Makers. Apply T. McAvity & Sons, Water street. 26400-4-28

FOR SALE—Cheap, a Black Mare, weighing about 1000 lbs., a good driver. Apply 148 Union street, or Phone Main 820. 26409-4-18

HOUSE TO LET—in rear 16 Exmouth, 6 rooms. Can be seen Tuesday and Friday afternoons. Apply Slocum & Ferris, City Market. 26410-4-28

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LOST—On Thursday evening, 15th inst., by way of Waterloo, Delhi streets and City Road, a tabacoth and centre-piece. Finder will confer a favor by leaving same with Mrs. A. Ellison, 184 City Road. 11-23

FROM MAJ. GEN. HUGHES.

Miss Bessie Dalton, of Boston, who is next of kin of Private Joseph Lorette of Sackville, who died of wounds in France, has received the following letter from Major-General Hughes.

Dear Miss Dalton: Will you kindly accept my sincere sympathy and condolence in the loss of your splendid relative, Private Joseph Lorette.

While one cannot too deeply mourn the loss of such a brave soldier, there is a consolation in knowing that he did his duty fearlessly, and well, and gave his life for the cause of liberty and the upbuilding of the empire.

Red Cross Shipments.

Toronto, April 16—The shipments of Red Cross Supplies from Canada now total 8,898 cases, 483 cases having been shipped from Toronto yesterday. The west has been a very heavy contributor.

COAL COAL

Best Quality Kitchen, Blacksmith's and American Nut

Furniture Moving Carefully Attended To

Ford H. Logan 460 Main St. PHONE 2178-41

Girls Wanted

Smart girls to learn the brush business; steady work. T. S. Simms & Co., Ltd., Fairville, N. B. 26403-4-20.

DRUG BUSINESS

Well located in New Brunswick town, on main line of I. C. R., situated on good business corner, large store, bright and airy; good stock and increasing business. Easy terms. Excellent chance for a young man to start in business. Owner has good reasons for selling. Address Drugs, care Times. 11.

AMHERST CANADIAN CLUB

Amherst, N. S., April 16—The Amherst Canadian Club had a unique gathering in the St. Regis Hotel last evening. The guests were Professor Bucknell of St. Francis Xavier College, Antigonish, and the officers of the 22nd E. C. Battalion and the 6th Mounted Rifles. The president, W. L. Ormander presided. After dinner Professor Bucknell delivered a stirring address on the development of Frusianism. A vote of thanks was extended by C. R. Smith, K. C., and A. G. McKenna recorder.

A toast to the military guests was proposed by Superintendent E. J. Roy and responded to by Colonel Gaudet and Colonel Ryan.

YOUNG WIFE OF BANK MAN KILLED BY AUTO

Winnipeg, Man., April 16—Mrs. G. P. Bulen, aged twenty-four, whose husband is employed in the Canadian Bank of Commerce, was killed by an automobile while crossing the street last night.