

ULTIMATUM TO GREECE IS SENT FROM FRANCO-BRITISH
Roumanians Successfully Effect Evacuation of Positions Near Kronstadt

CONCENTRATED GOVERNMENT
WILL FOLLOW WAR IN FRANCE

Declares Premier Briand, Who Looks For Revision, Remoulding and Re-Adaption of Present Political Methods in That Country

By Courier Leased Wire. Paris, Oct. 17.—The remoulding of French political methods after the war resulting in a concentration of government, is predicted by Premier Briand, according to a conversation the premier has had with friends which is recapitulated in The Figaro by Alfred Capus, the dramatist and member of the French Academy. M. Capus quotes the premier as saying: "I do not pretend to do more than sketch the main outline. As the result of lessons which it cannot escape I believe our country will resume independence the notion of direct council and authority. There will be this difference, that while under past regimes this authority was imposed upon it historically and by custom, to-day it is the country itself which demands it from its elected representatives as well as from its business."

Heaviest Fighting of Entire Battle on Somme Front Occurred Last Week

With Peronne and Bapaume as Their Objectives, Franco-British Made Furious Drives Against Courcellette, Frennes, Chauhnes and Other Points of Great Strategic Value

Berlin, Oct. 17.—By wireless to Sayville—"Detailed reports about recent fighting on the Somme front show distinctly that the actions between October 9 and October 13 are to be reckoned among the greatest actions of the whole Somme battle," says the Overseas News Agency. "The objectives of these great French and British efforts were Bapaume and Peronne. Moreover, numerous hostile attacks of violence were directed against the front from Courcellette to St. Pierre Vaast wood, north of the Somme and between Frennes and Mazancourt and against Chauhnes, south of the river. Of these engagements those north of the Somme were most severe. "On October 10 an d11 the main centres of combat were north of Thiepval, north of Courcellette, near Sully-Saillies, and in the vicinity of the St. Pierre-Vaast wood. On October 12 a great and well co-ordinated attack was launched over the whole front from Courcellette to Bouchavesnes."

FOUR DAYS MORE OF CLUB OFFER; ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT?

Great Club Offer is on This Week and Will Furnish Opportunity For Making Big Bargains

The great club offer that was announced in The Daily Courier Monday evening made a hit with the majority of the candidates. Each realizes that he must do his best in the next four days if he expects to win one of the many prizes. This is the time that shows who has friends. Some say it is hard to get subscribers. Did it ever occur to you that it is hard for the other candidates? In a campaign of this kind there is no place for the class of people that expect to win a lot of fame and fortune without work. From now until the close of this vote offer candidates will have to work every spare moment. Some are going to. Are you? You will have to get the business if you expect to win one of the valuable prizes The Daily Courier is going to give to someone in the next few weeks. Offer Closes at 8 P.M. Sharp. The great club vote offer began Monday at 8 a.m. and will close on the minute, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21. The amount of business you have on that date will mark your progress. Any contestant in the campaign can win the grand prize in the next four days if he gets down to business. The idea in "announcing this vote offer was to give the candidates that have not made the best of their time the chance to store up the votes that they have lost since the beginning of the campaign. It also gives the candidates that have done good work the same chance. But they must get the business if they expect to win, and this business must be in the office by 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21. Many a victory has been lost by not sticking to the race. Some are too confident and they have enough votes to win the grand prize. To this class we might say this: That it is the opinion of the campaign department that unless they get good and busy the next four days, when the votes are counted they will find that instead of winning the grand prize that they are sure of at the present time, they will find the judges will award them a small prize. Don't blame the campaign department if this is the case. We have tried ever since the beginning to have you do better work, and still we urge you to have a little more determination. No race is won or lost until the gong rings out the announcement of the close. If you are in the lead in the campaign you cannot allow someone to grab this opportunity. No race is won or lost until the gong rings out the announcement of the close. If you are in the lead in the campaign you cannot allow someone to grab this opportunity. No race is won or lost until the gong rings out the announcement of the close. If you are in the lead in the campaign you cannot allow someone to grab this opportunity.

ROUMANIAN FORCES EVACUATE POSITIONS NEAR KRONSTADT

Make Orderly Retirement in Order Strategically to Shorten Line of Battle, and Thus Concentrate Line of Defence

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Oct. 17.—(New York Times cable)—The London Times correspondent with the Roumanian forces telegraphs "Roumanian troops west of Brasso, (Kronstadt), began an orderly retirement from their positions on the evening of October 8, passing Brasso during the night. To-day they are taking up positions in the foothills, defending the entrance to the Frecdel Pass. This movement represents a redistribution in order to shorten the line and not in the slightest degree forced by any local necessity. "With the long western front, which the Roumanians had to defend in the face of increasing numbers of Teutons, it was deemed wiser not to expose the advanced positions to any sudden manoeuvres. During the retirement the Germans were not even in touch with the Roumanian troops and the movement has been made quietly and entirely without panic or the smallest demoralization among the Roumanians. I have personally seen the positions now being taken, which are about twelve miles from the Frecdel Pass. The nature of the country is such that the Roumanians should head it. While the situation at present does not present any acute aspects and there is not the slightest panic, it emphasizes the potential menace which the massing of heavy German strength against the Roumanians might involve."

Russians are in Heavy Fighting

By Courier Leased Wire. Petrograd, Oct. 17.—via London, 1.15 p.m.—Teutonic troops are heavily counter-attacking the Russian lines to the southwest of Lemberg the war office announced today. The attacks were launched after bombardments of great intensity in the district north of Koryniza and near Bolshortse, five miles north of Halicz. The Russians killed fifty prisoners and one machine gun during the fighting. In the Carpathians near the junction of the Roumanian, Hungarian and Bukowinian borders where the Austrian and German forces have assumed the offensive, the Russians repelled all attacks, the statement says.

HEAVY LIST OF LOCAL CASUALTIES BRINGS SORROW TO MANY HOMES

Toll of War is Exacted From Brant County More Heavily Than Before - Latest Names Upon the Lists

Pte. Harry Babcock, formerly of the 36th battalion, is reported killed in action. He was a resident of Hatchery, and a young Englishman, unmarried. Pte. John Pratt, a short time ago reported wounded, is at present confined in No. 8 Stationary Hospital at Wimereux suffering from contusion of the arm. His wife died in England since his enlistment, and his parents reside in Brantford at 16 Rose avenue. Pte. Aubrey Forsythe, Born and bred in Brant county, Pte. Aubrey Forsythe, who some time ago enlisted in Vancouver, is at present severely wounded and in hospital at Brighton, England. He is only 17 years of age. Pte. A. J. Collins, of this city was reported killed in action. He was at the front with the Canadian Mounted Rifles and resided formerly at 50 Walter street. Corp. H. Theal, A letter from an officer of the 15th Canadian Highlanders conveyed to Mrs. Theal, 90 Lorne crescent, this morning the sad information that her son, Corp. Howard Theal of the 15th Battalion had been killed in action, meeting his death upon the field of battle. The young man was born in Brantford, but for some years resided in Edmonton, where he enlisted in the 51st Battalion, being later transferred to the 15th. To mourn his loss he leaves a mother, one sister, at home, Miss Ada, and one brother residing in California. Pte. C. Martin, 23 Mintern Ave., came this morning to the sad intelligence that their son, Pte. Chris. Martin, of the 19th Battalion, had made the supreme sacrifice of his life upon the altar of King and country. A young man of very high character, beloved by all who knew him, he early heard the call of duty, and enlisted in the autumn of 1914. He resided at the time on West street, was 23 years of age, and unmarried, and had served for three years in the Dufferin Rifles. The sympathy of a large circle of friends will be extended to his sorrowing parents in their hour of sorrow. The father is Pte. A. Martin of the frontier force at Welland. Sergt. George Pette, Wounded in the left leg and groin, Sergt. George Pette of the 19th Battalion has been admitted to No. 12 general hospital at Rouen, France, according to an official telegram received this morning by his father, Mr. J. W. Pette, the well known local merchant. It is not believed that

IN TWO YEARS

London, Oct. 17.—Announcement that the London and Port Stanley Railway has already between \$50,000 and \$60,000 in the treasury as surplus earnings and that expectations are that the first two years of electrified operation, ending on June 30 next, will show a profit of at least \$80,000, was made to the city council by Sir Adam Beck last evening. Sir Adam appeared before the council in connection with business of the road relating to the financing of additions to shops and barns, the construction of the new bath house and tea room at Port Stanley and the general improvements along the line to the extent of \$50,000 and the purchase of \$75,000 worth of new rolling stock. Recently the council authorized the expenditure of \$42,000 on the first account, but has found necessary to provide further office accommodation and to build a vault and perform other works in the interests of the people and their railway, and the amount was accordingly raised last night to \$50,000.

Allies Send Note of Grave Nature

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Oct. 17.—Vice-Admiral Fournet, commander of the Anglo-French fleet in the Mediterranean, has handed the Greek government a note of an extremely grave character, says a despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company, from Athens, dated yesterday. Following the presentation of the note King Constantine, it is added, fled to the capital in haste from the royal residence at Tatol. The railway stations of Athens and Piraeus, the city hall at the capital and Castalia barracks have been occupied by French and Italian sailors to the number of 1000, while 150 bluejackets with two machine guns have been stationed in the municipal theatre, according to a Reuter despatch from Athens to-day. The city is quiet. An urgent cabinet council has been summoned. It is officially explained, adds the despatch, that the detachments landed will assist the police in stopping demonstrations which threaten trouble. Allied crews were put on board the battleships, the correspondent says, and the Greek crews were landed and sent to Athens. On October 11 the Allies took over the entire Greek fleet except those vessels mentioned in to-day's despatch. This measure, it was explained, unofficially, was intended to insure the safety of the allied shipping.

THE PROBS

Toronto, Oct. 17.—The storm has moved very quickly eastward and is now centered in northern Ontario. Heavy rains have been heavy on the Great Lakes and are now setting in over the gulf and maritime provinces. Snow is falling at many points in the western provinces and north.

HOME OFFICERS To Have a Chance to Visit Firing Lines.

Ottawa, Oct. 17.—Prominent officers at militia headquarters in Ottawa and in the different divisional areas in Canada will likely be given an opportunity in the next few months of visiting the battle front. Since the war started these officers though keen to go on active service have had to remain at home because of the important and pressing work incidental to the organization of the Canadian troops. Circumstances are now such as to permit a party of them to go overseas and familiarize themselves with the service conditions at the actual front.

Fire at Borden

Capt Borden, Tuesday, Oct. 17.—A fire broke out in headquarters, the main building in Camp Borden, at 1 o'clock this (Tuesday) morning. The entire building seems doomed. Frederick L. Yeomans, who has been awarded the Military Medal, is a son of Dr. H. A. Yeomans, of Belleville. The 160th (Bruce) Batt. left London for the east. The 170th Battalion had many visitors at Camp Borden.

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MAJOR GORDON SOUTHAM KILLED

Prominent Hamilton Man Makes Supreme Sacrifice at Front.

Well-Known Athlete, son of President of the Hamilton Spectorator.

By Courier Leased Wire. Hamilton, Ont., Oct. 17.—Word was received here to-day that Major Gordon H. Southam, commander of the Hamilton sportsman's battery, son of William Southam, president of The Spectorator Printing Company, has been killed in action. Major Southam was one of Canada's famous football stars and prominent in many other lines of sport.

REFUSED TO WORK FOR GERMANS

Belgian Workmen Were Accordingly Arrested, and Some Shot.

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Oct. 17.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegram Company wires the following: Three hundred workmen in a Ghent factory, who refused to work in German munition factories in Belgium, have been arrested and sent to Germany. Twelve, who resisted, were shot. The Germans everywhere are forcing the Belgians to work for them, particularly on the railroads, their own personnel having given out.

Austro-Germans are Repulsed

Bucharest, Oct. 17, via London, 4.33 p.m.—Austro-German attacks in Transylvania are being repulsed by the Roumanians, the war office announced to-day. The Roumanians are holding positions west of the frontier.

APPEAL FROM KING GEORGE

Monarch Urges Co-operation of All For Red Cross Fund.

Toronto, Ont., Oct. 17.—The following cablegram from His Majesty King George has just been received by the Provincial British Red Cross committee, its commendation of Red Cross work, and that the practical example set make a powerful appeal for Oct. nineteenth. "The work of mercy jointly carried out by the British Red Cross Society and the order of St. John of Jerusalem has evoked among my people the deepest feeling of gratitude and pride. From what I have seen at home and at the front I fully appreciate the splendid work the society has accomplished, as it is only by a united empire that victory will be secured. So for the relief of those who suffer in its attainment must we stand equally united. I have great pleasure in giving five thousand pounds as a donation to the fund, upon the recognition of which there must be ever-increasing demand. (Signed) George R.I." Her Majesty, Queen Mary and his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales have also commended the work and contributed ten thousand pounds each to the empire wide, our day collection. Organization of Resources Committee.

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FORECASTS Decreasing northwest winds; mostly fair and colder; snow flurries near Lake Huron. Wednesday, mostly cloudy and cold.

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