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Two Years Ago Today Germany Declared War Upon Russia

Chief of Czar's Army Staff Sends Paris Press Optimistic Message — "Enemy is Beginning to Weaken"

Paris, Aug. 1.—Today, the second anniversary of Germany's declaration of war on Russia, was commemorated in the French press by special articles and features. Messages were printed from prominent personalities in allied and neutral countries, including the kings of Serbia and Montenegro, Admiral Jellicoe, General Sir Sam Hughes, Elihu Root, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, General Cadorna, Premier Romanones of Spain, General Alexieff, chief of the Russian staff, and the Russian and Belgian premiers.

General Alexieff says:

"I think that we may now be said to have passed through the most difficult period of our great war. While still offering stubborn resistance our enemy is beginning to weaken, but we have need to summon all our powers yet before we can hope to attain the definite goal of our hopes."

The Premier of Russia says:—

"At the moment when the allies are entering upon the third year of the war, the Russian government is more than ever resolved to continue the struggle to the end, and is firmly convinced that, with the help of the Almighty, the Allies and their cause of justice and equity will triumph."

Austrian Report

Vienna, July 31.—The official statement from general headquarters today reads:

"Northwest of Bucsacz the enemy continues to attack with greater tenacity. Our troops maintained all their positions. Several enemy attacks, due west of Brody failed.

"In Volhynia the enemy again sacrificed untold thousands of men without result. South of Stokhod, the enemy temporarily obtained a foothold on the left bank of the Stokhod, but was driven back again. We captured 2,000 men in Volhynia yesterday."

They Want Peace

London, Aug. 1.—The second anniversary of the world war is being observed throughout the whole of Scandinavia, says a despatch from Copenhagen to the Exchange Telegraph Company. Two hundred peace meetings are being held in Denmark and 800 in Sweden. All the church bells are being rung and prayers for peace are being said.

The Politiken of Copenhagen, commenting on this says: "What is the use of ringing bells and making speeches? Let us acknowledge the facts as they are. After two years of war there are no real prospects of peace."

IS READY TO BREAK BOND

Paris, Aug. 1.—The only reason which has so far prevented Germany from declaring war on Italy, says the Petit Parisien, is a commercial treaty signed by the two countries in 1891, and renewed in 1914. This treaty subordinated Italy to Germany economically, according to the paper, and was considered of the greatest importance by Germany.

The Parisien says that it is understood Italy has now denounced this treaty and thereby left the way clear for a declaration of hostilities.

French Report.

Paris, Aug. 1—(Via London)—The text of the official statement issued by the French war department today says:

"Aviator Lenoir brought down an enemy aeroplane, which fell within its own lines north of Verdun. It was the fifth machine brought down by this aviator to date. Another German aeroplane was attacked by our machines near Etain and fell shattered to the ground."

PTE. FRED WOLFE KILLED IN WAR

Message Comes to Parents in Moore Street

TWO BROTHERS IN KHAKI

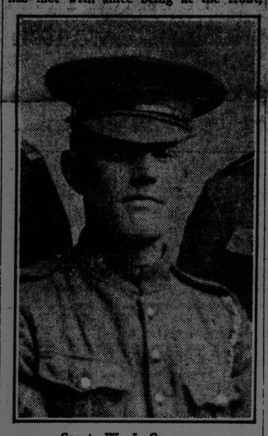
He Fell in Battle on July 17—Was Wounded in Last November—Sergt. Wm. J. Seymour Wounded

"Killed in action," was the brief message that came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Wolfe, of 49 Moore street, this morning, conveying the sad intelligence that their son, Pte. Fred Wolfe, a gallant member of an infantry battalion, had fallen on the field of battle July 17.

Pte. Wolfe was thirty-three years of age, and was the third member of his family to join the colors. He leaves, besides his parents, his wife, who is at present in Hampton, and six small children, the eldest of whom is but eleven years, and the youngest only nine months. Pte. Wolfe was a moulder in the employ of T. McAvity & Sons, and more recently in Flemming's Foundry. He was well known about the city and had won the esteem of his fellow employes as well as of a large number of friends, who will regret to hear that a young life upon whom so much depended, has been taken. He has two brothers in uniform, James in No. 5 A. S. C., and George, a member of the same company in the same battalion. The sympathy of a large number will go out to the bereaved ones.

Pte. Wolfe had been wounded on November 17, but had sufficiently recovered to return to the trenches. He wrote a letter home only three days previous to the day on which he was hit.

That Sergeant William J. Seymour, of one of the local infantry battalions, had been slightly wounded in the back by gunshot and had been admitted to No. 4 Field ambulance was the word received this morning by his wife at her home, 11 Paradise Row. This is the first mishap that the St. John soldier has met with since being at the front,



Sergt. W. J. Seymour

during which time he has gone through some of the heaviest fighting on the west.

Sergeant Seymour was employed with T. H. Estabrooks & Company as foreman in the packing department prior to his enlistment. He is twenty-four years old and has wife and two children residing in the city. Herbert Seymour, who recently joined the Kiltie battalion, is a brother.

THE FINGERS OF FATE.
The grip begins to tighten.
—John Bull (London).

KAISER FIGHTS WITH THE PEN

Issues Another Proclamation—Again He Singles Out England

Amsterdam, Aug. 1, via London—Emperor William, according to a telegram received here today from Berlin, has issued the following proclamation to the German forces on land and sea:

"Comrades!—

"The second year of the world war has elapsed. Like the first year, it was for Germany's arms a year of glory. On all fronts you inflicted heavy blows on the enemy.

"Whether the enemy retreated, borne down by the force of your attacks, or whether reinforced by foreign assistance, collected and pressed into service from all parts of the world, he tried to rob you of the fruits of former victories, you always proved yourselves superior to him.

"Even where England's tyranny was uncontested, namely, on the free waves of the sea, you victoriously fought against superior authority.

"Your Kaiser's recognition and your country's proud admiration are assured to you for these deeds, for your unshaken loyalty, for your bold defence and your tenacious bravery.

"Like the memory of our dead heroes, your fame will endure to all times. The laurels which our forces have won against the enemy are inseparably linked with the devoted and untiring labor at home. This strength at home has sent an ever fresh inspiration to the armies in the field. It has continually quickened our swords, has kindled Germany's enthusiasm and has terrified the enemy. My gratitude and that of the Fatherland are due to the nation at home.

Right About This.

"But the strength and will of the enemy are not yet broken. We must continue the severe struggle in order to secure the safety of our beloved homeland, to preserve the honor of the Fatherland and the greatness of the empire.

"Whether the enemy wages war with the force of arms or with cold, calculating malice, we shall continue as before into the third year of the war. The spirit of duty to the Fatherland and an unbending will to victory prevade our homes and fighting forces today as at the beginning of the war, I am convinced your deeds will equal those of the past and present.

"Main headquarters,
(Signed) "WILHELM."

ST. PETER'S LEAGUE

In St. Peter's Baseball League last evening the Thistles defeated the Roses, 8 to 7. The game was called at the end of the seventh inning on account of darkness. As only two men were out when the game was called, the Roses protested the game, contending that they were ahead at even innings and therefore had won the contest. The batteries were: Doyle and Dever for the Thistles, and Hansen and Murphy for the Roses. Doyle had six strikeouts to his credit, and Hansen eleven. This evening the Maples and Shamrocks will play.

CREDITORS' MEETING

A meeting of the creditors of George E. Lobb was held yesterday afternoon in the office of Leonard A. Conlon, barrister and Henry McCullough was confirmed as assignee. Samuel S. Swanton and Leonard A. Conlon were appointed inspectors.

Phelix and Pheraimand

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meterological service

Synopsis—The high pressure now covers the Great Lakes and dominates the weather from Manitoba to Nova Scotia. The great heat has moderated in Ontario and Quebec, while in the western provinces the temperature has risen. The weather is fine throughout.

Fine and Fairly Warm

Maritime—Strong north and northwest winds, fine. Wednesday fresh northwesterly winds, fine and moderately warm.

THE DEADLOCK IS UNBROKEN

No Change in Matter of Elevator Site, is Report—The Proposed New Depot

There does not seem to be much possibility that the deadlock which exists between the city council and the government railway authorities regarding the site for the proposed grain elevator will be broken at the weekly meeting of the common council this afternoon.

At the meeting yesterday Commissioners Russell and Wigmore pronounced themselves as strongly in favor of the Water street site; Commissioner McLellan was equally strongly opposed and Commissioner Fisher and Mayor Hayes were both critical of the Water street site. Since then there has been no apparent change in the situation, the inspection of the Long wharf site yesterday having failed to clear the way to an agreement regarding the advantages of the site selected by the railway engineers.

It is said by those who believe they have excellent authority for their statements that the elevator will be erected on the Water street site or not at all, for the present at least.

Regarding the North End site, it is said that the elevator will not be placed there as much because of the lack of yard room as anything else. The plans for a railway passenger station are said now to be for a union station for the use of the C. G. R. and the C. P. R. as at present, and also the Valley Railway when its trains enter the city via the West Side route. The site for the new station is said to be on the ground formerly occupied by the I. C. R. elevator, to the north of the present station and that the space required for it would make it impossible to provide yard room for an elevator, even if space remained for the building. The site suggested between the Long Wharf and the Maritime Nail Works is said to be too costly, even if sufficient land could be secured.

INDEPENDENCE OF BELGIUM AND HOLLAND

Socialists For This and a Democratic Union of the Balkan States

London, Aug. 1.—Ahe complete reestablishment of independence of Belgium and Holland and a democratic union of the Balkan states, were points unanimously agreed upon at the opening of the International Socialist conference at The Hague yesterday, according to a detailed account of the session received here.

Pieter Jelles Toelstra, head of the Dutch delegation, who delivered the principal address, said that national differences among the belligerent Socialists were still too strong for united Socialist action. He urged all Socialists speedily to realize the tasks confronting them, and to see that the development of socialistic tendencies produced by the war, was not used for the strengthening of absolutism and bureaucracy.

A Swedish delegate, Branting, warned against the exaggeration of disarmament, but advocated a reduction in military burdens.

FLY WEIGHT CHAMPION WINS BY A KNOCKOUT

London, Aug. 1—Jimmy Wilde of Wales, fly-weight champion of England, knocked out Johnny Hughes in the tenth round of a bout here last night.

A German "Explanation."

Amsterdam, Aug. 1—German transfer of some thousands of the inhabitants of Lille and its neighborhood to other places is explained by the Norddeutsche Allgemine Zeitung as due to the impossibility of feeding them in overcrowded localities. The paper says that the natives were sent to places where the distribution of food was easier and at the same time where regions with small populations could receive the necessary working power. It adds that the transferred people were well treated.

British Admiral Passes Away

London, Aug. 1.—Admiral Sir John Ommanney Hopkins, commander-in-chief of the Mediterranean station from 1896 to 1899, died on Sunday at Highcliffe, Hampshire. He was born in 1834.

THINK KOVEL WILL BE FIRST TO FALL

Russians Now Control Stokhod River and Austrians Are Being Driven Westward From Brody

Petrograd, July 31—With General Kaledine's army in full control of the Stokhod River, which had been the chief obstacle to the westward progress of the northern wing of the Russian forces under command of General Brussiloff, and the troops under General Sakharoff driving the Austrian army commanded by General Von Boehm-Ermolli westward from Brody, the Russians are now well advanced in the campaign against the two important centres of Kovel and Lemberg.

The Russian offensive conducted in both these directions has been so vigorous and unrelenting that the Austro-Germans apparently have been in a predicament, not knowing from which point to spare troops to reinforce the defense of some other part of the front. The result has been that the Germans are exclusively occupied with the defense of Kovel, while Von Boehm-Ermolli's army, without assistance, has been mainly striving to protect the roads to Lemberg.

Of the two objectives, Kovel is in the position of greater danger, being threatened from the west, where the Russians have successfully reached an advanced point on the Vladimir-Volynski road, south of Kiselin.

The view held here is that the Austro-Germans, despite their stubborn resistance, will be unable much longer successfully to oppose all three Russian lines of advance upon Kovel, Vladimir-Volynski and Lemberg, and will probably be compelled to sacrifice one of these points in order to stiffen resistance against the Russian attacks on the other two.

THE ENEMY WITHDRAWING?

London, Aug. 1.—The Germans are withdrawing from Kovel their heavy artillery in Volhynia, is said to have been comdespatch from Rome to the Wireless Press. The city of Vladimir-Volynski in Volhynia is said to have been completely evacuated by the Germans.

MANY AT FUNERAL OF SIR P. A. LANDRY

His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc Officiated at Requiem Mass

Dorchester, August 1.—The funeral of Sir Pierre A. Landry, chief justice of the supreme court of New Brunswick, took place here this morning. The body was taken from his late residence to St. Thomas' church, St. Josephs, where funeral services were held. Requiem mass was sung by His Lordship Bishop LeBlanc of St. John with Rev. Father Le Cavillier, president of St. Joseph's University, as master of ceremonies. A large concourse of clergy were in attendance. The pall bearers were H. J. McGrath of Fredericton; Hon. Dr. Landry, provincial secretary of New Brunswick; Hon. A. D. Richard of Dorchester; Ferdinand Robideau of Richibucto; Valentine Bourque of Shediac and Damien Richard of College Bridge, all personal friends of the deceased justice. The services at the grave were brief, by request of the deceased, and the late Sir Pierre was laid to rest in the village of St. Josephs among his people, near to his alma mater and within view of the church of his belief.

Chief Justice McLeod, Justice Barry, Justice White and Justice Crocket were present representing the Supreme Court of New Brunswick; also Attorney-General Baxter and Hon. Dr. Landry representing the provincial government, and Fred R. Taylor and M. G. Teed of St. John for the St. John Barristers' Association; members of the Westmorland County Barristers' Society attended in a body as well as others throughout the provinces and members of the L'Assomption Society, testifying to the esteem in which the deceased jurist was held.

BELIEVE 250 OR 300 LIVES LOST IN FOREST FIRES IN ONTARIO

Cochrane, Ont., July 31.—(Toronto Mail and Empire.)—An estimated death loss of between 250 and 300, and property loss estimated at between two and three million dollars is the toll of what is considered the most devastating forest fire in Canada's history, which swept over a large section of Northern Ontario on Saturday. Hundreds of people are homeless and dozens of families are broken up.

The first through train to Cochrane arrived here this afternoon with doctors, nurses, attendants, food and clothing for the suffering and homeless. The town has been cut off from communication by wire since Saturday, and the first assistance was brought with the relief train, which left North Bay on Sunday morning and got through as far as Matheson last night.

In Munroe and Beatty townships there are many prospectors unaccounted for. At Nushka, only three survive. Fifty bodies were found in a railway cut, where the victims fled in hopes of saving their lives. The bodies were taken to Monteith and buried temporarily.

ANNUITIES GRANTED TO CAPT. FRYATT'S WIDOW

London, Aug. 1—The government has recommended the granting of an extra pension of £100 annually to Captain Fryatt's widow besides the sum to which she is entitled under the government's compensation scheme. The Great Eastern Railroad, of one of whose ships Captain Fryatt was the master, is also granting his widow a £250 annuity.

FROM GUNNER W. NELSON

Gunner Wm. Nelson, whe left here with a siege battery, nad the 181st, writes to his wife, 73 City Road, under July 14, that he has been enjoying the best of health. They have been working very hard in preparation for greater things before them. They were to move to another location towards the end of July. He sends best wishes to all.

AGAIN HATRED OF ENGLAND IS SHOWN BY HUNS

Statement by German Admiralty Relative to the Murder of Capt. Fryatt

Berlin, July 31, via London, Aug. 1—The execution of Captain Fryatt is considered to have been "obviously legal and right," is a statement given to The Associated Press today by the German admiralty. The statement is in reply to criticism of the execution made by Sir Edward Grey. It states that Captain Fryatt had a professional lawyer to defend him, as the American embassy was informed when it made enquiries at the request of England.

The admiralty holds that England claims for herself a special code of morals and honor in sea warfare, which amounts to a reversal of all reason because it insists that merchantmen have the right to attack submarines without warning, while it refuses to concede the same right to submarines. Germany is unwilling to submit to that code, which amounts to sacrificing the brave and heroic submarine crews to British pirates and franc-tireurs."

The statement adds:—"As a court martial on land protects the soldier of the army against murder by bush whackers by threatening the death penalty, the same military law protects members of the sea forces from murder at sea. Germany will continue in the future to apply this military law in order that submarine crews may not become the prey of bush whackers at sea."

ONE ZEPPELIN FIRED ON AND HIT

London, Aug. 1—Last night's raid on the eastern and southeastern counties of England was carried out by seven or more Zeppelins, accompanied by aeroplanes, according to reports of observers who sighted the aircraft returning homeward.

There are no details of the number of bombs dropped, the damage done, or the casualties caused, if any, but independent accounts say that one Zeppelin, caught by searchlights, was heavily fired upon by anti-air craft guns and apparently hit.

ARE RESCUED FROM TORPEDOED STEAMSHIPS

Marseilles, Aug. 1—The steamer Ville D'Alger arrived here yesterday with five officers and forty-three men of the crews of the British steamers Euphorbia, Silvia and Wiltonhall, which were sunk recently in the Mediterranean Sea.

AMERICAN MINISTER CALLED TO CITY TEMPLE

London, Aug. 1.—Rev. Dr. Joseph Font Newton of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has been invited to fill the pulpit in the City Temple, London, as the successor of the Rev. R. J. Campbell.

TODAY'S BALL GAMES

National league—St. Louis at Boston, clear, 3.15 p.m.; Pittsburg at New York clear, 3.40 p.m.; Cincinnati at Brooklyn, clear, 3.30 p.m.; Chicago at Philadelphia, clear (2), 1.30 p.m.

American league—Philadelphia at Chicago, cloudy (2), 1.30 p.m.; Washington at Cleveland, clear, 3.15 p.m.; Boston at Detroit, clear, 3.15 p.m.; New York at St. Louis, clear, 3.30 p.m.

International league—Newark at Richmond, cloudy, 4.30 p.m.; Providence at Baltimore, cloudy, 2 and 4 p.m.; Rochester at Buffalo, clear, 3.45 p.m.; Toronto at Montreal, clear, 3.30 p.m.

AUSTRIAN ARMY TRAPPED BY RUSSIANS

London, Aug. 1—General Count Von Bothmop's army is reported to be almost enveloped by the Russians in Galicia, says a despatch from Rome to the Wireless Press. Cossack divisions, after the occupation of Brody, are said to have destroyed the railways behind the Austrian army.

THE PATRIOTIC FUND

The Times has received a printed copy of the report of the Proceedings at a Conference of Representatives of Branches of the Canadian Patriotic Fund in Eastern Canada, held in Toronto, May 16, 17 and 18. It is in bookform, printed in clear type, and, as the foreword says, practically every argument of force and opinion of value are included, so that it must prove of great use to local relief committees of the Patriotic Fund. The New Brunswick men present at the conference were:—C. B. Allan of St. John, John T. Hawke and W. H. Price of Moncton, and H. F. McLatchey of Campbellton.

BURIED TODAY.

Many gathered at the residence of the late Dr. John C. Mott, 36 Horsfield street, this afternoon to pay their last tribute of respect. The services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Barraclough and Rev. H. A. Cody. Following services the body was conveyed to Fernhill, where interment was made.

The funeral of Robert Ewing took place this afternoon from his late residence, 11 Elliott row. Services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Wilson. Interment was made in Fernhill. The Knights of Phythias walked in a body and services were conducted at the grave by Colonel Moulson

REFINERY TAXES

The amended bill for taxes for the Atlantic Sugar Refinery, showing the $2,000 property tax, the $84 for patriotic purposes and the $2,000, being $1,000 a year for this year and last for special school taxes, has been sent to the company, but no answer has been received. It was said at city hall today that the company had not refused to pay the patriotic tax, but that an official had returned the bill with a request for information regarding the extra tax.

NEW RETAINING WALLS.

Among the matters to be dealt with at a meeting of the common council this afternoon will be the recommendations of the commissioner of public works for the construction of four new retaining walls—in Chesley street, Rockland road, Portland, at the corner of Camden street, and in Canon street.

LOCAL SHIPPING.

The schooner Mary E. Morse, which put in here yesterday for harbor, sailed this morning for New Haven with a cargo of plaster.

The schooner Arthur Gibson, Captain Granville, arrived in New York yesterday from Bridgewater, N. S., with a cargo of lumber.

ONE OF THE HIGHLANDERS

Sergeant Edgar McEachern, accompanied by his wife, arrived in the city today from Aldershot Camp. Sergeant McEachern is attached to the Nova Scotia Highlanders.

DEUTSCHLAND MAY MAKE A START TONIGHT

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 1.—Activities indicating the early departure of the German submarine Deutschland on her homeward voyage to Germany were noticed at the pier at which she is berthed.

The logs forming the outer barrier about the submarine were let into the midstream and anchored. Then the tug Timmins and a launch swept the channel from the dock out to the main channel with a heavy weight suspended under water from a line between the two craft.

This was done evidently as a precaution against possible obstructions in the path. It was learned from a trustworthy source that Capt. Koenig had asked for a pilot to guide the underwater liner to the Virginian capes. The pilot designated was said to be the same one that brought the Deutschland into this port, Capt. Oatman, of the Maryland Pilots' Association.

It is known that the submarine was expected to leave at high tide this forenoon. Owing to the strong adverse wind, however, the flood stage was not so high as required by the Deutschland, necessitating a postponement of the start. The pilot was aboard. The next high tide will occur between 7 and 9 o'clock this evening.

Washington, Aug. 1—Prince Von Hatzfeldt, counsellor of the German embassy, said today after a call at the state department that he had talked on the long distance telephone with Baltimore and that the departure of the merchant submarine Deutschland was imminent.

MEDAL IN HONOR OF BRITISH BRAVERY IN JUTLAND FIGHT

London, Aug. 1.—(New York Sun cable.)—Prince Louis of Battenburg has designed a medal to commemorate the British achievements in the naval battle off Jutland. These are struck in gold, silver, bronze and white metal and are sold at prices ranging upward from one shilling. The money is for the aid of the naval orphanage.

The medal is the first of a series Prince Louis intends to issue for the same purpose.

NOT A SUCCESS

A well known local chauffeur attempted to try his luck on a motor cycle yesterday afternoon in Waterloo street. He was proceeding along at a fair rate of speed when somebody called him. He turned suddenly and before he turned back again he was next the mud in the middle of the road. Angry, though resolute, he again mounted his cycle, knowing his reputation was at stake, but again the clutch (or something like that), would not work, and again our chauffeur was in the mud. Disgusted and ashamed, he called a passing team and had the "motor" removed to a near-by garage.

Assumes Office.

Santo Domingo, July 31—(Delayed in transmission)—Frederico Henriquez Y. Carvajal, who arrived here yesterday from Santiago on the Cuban school ship Patria, assumed the provisional presidency of the republic this morning.

SONS OF ENGLAND

The Grand Lodge of the Sons of England will meet in Halifax next week, the sessions opening on Monday and continuing until Friday. Delegates will be present from all parts of the dominion and a large and representative gathering is expected.

The delegates from St. John will be T. H. Carter, deputy supreme president, and representative of the district and also of Marlborough lodge; L. A. Belyea, representing Portland lodge, and R. H. Irwin, representing New Brunswick lodge.

On their way to Halifax two of the grand officers, W. H. Randall, supreme president, and John W. Carter, supreme secretary, will visit St. John and the local lodges are arranging a banquet in their honor in Bond's.

FREDERICTON NEWS

Fredericton, N. B., Aug. 1—Customs returns here for July show a surprising increase in imports. For July, 1915, the value of goods imported was $22,782, while for last month it was $81,534, an increase of $58,752. The duty collected was $10,018 against $4,888 for July of last year.

The police commission yesterday appointed Nathaniel Jones to fill a vacancy on the force. At a city council meeting last evening, Ald. Burnett objected to paying ex-Chief of Police McCollom full salary for June, on the ground that he had been absent from the city, but the item finally was passed after a hot discussion.

A request from Col. Guthrie that a committee be appointed to welcome returned soldiers, was given favorable consideration.

James F. VanBuskirk and family will leave tomorrow on an auto trip through Nova Scotia.

LITTLE ONE DEAD.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Williamson of 82 Brussels street, will sympathize with them in the death of their infant daughter, Annie Mary, aged six weeks, who died this morning.