

France and Italy, have to defend the gap.

Confident of Result. The premier said that the allies were on the eve of a great German attack, and that those who knew best the prospects were felt most confident about the result.

"It is a man of dynamic energy and profound knowledge and experience, confident and affection of the allied soldiers of every army."

"The premier said the allies were approaching the greatest battle that was ever fought on their native land and above the greater consequences for the human race than any other battle in the world's history."

Next Few Weeks is Race. "For the Germans, as well as for us, the next few weeks will be a race between Hindenburg and the British."

"This is not a time to organize campaigns to harass men in charge of the destinies of a nation. There ought to be a truce from all these manoeuvres, at any rate until this great offensive is over."

"As we are approaching what may be the decisive struggle of the war, it is encouraging to know that we are entering it with a good heart and a clear conscience."

"Had I thought that by any safe or honorable means we could either have averted this struggle from the start or brought it to an earlier termination I should feel at this moment not merely burdened down with anxiety, but weighted down with guilt."

No Honorable Outlet. "I can honestly say that the government has neglected no possible means for bringing about a peace which was any honorable outlet to us."

There are two types of extremists. "The extreme is trying for peace when there is no peace to be a real friend of peace, but an enemy of peace. He is an encouragement to the enemy, and depresses his friend."

There are men who have paid too much heed to the speeches of statesmen of the central powers. To all appearances they are reasonable speeches, and a good many people in this and other countries have said, 'Why don't you respond to their appeals?'

Position of Enemy Leaders. "We did answer, and the moment we answered the German came from the German cannon. Why? It was not because the German and Austrian statesmen were deliberately deceiving us. That is not the reason. It was because they did not in the least understand in those countries how they were used by their military chiefs."

"When it served their purpose they were mere puppets. When it suited the purpose of the military chiefs they were allowed to let loose their peace cylinders, when the wind was favorable, in the direction of the allies, to poison the atmosphere, but there was other business to be done, and that was where the military chiefs came in."

"We are dealing with a ruthless Prussian despotism that is out to plunder, loot and pillage. Treaties re-

strain them just as little today as in the day of Belgium. They do not intend to bring the war to an end until their basket is as full as it can hold."

Plea Against Criticism. The premier, in concluding his speech with a plea that any criticism at this time should be intended not to hurt but to help, said:

"During the 18 months I have been at the head of affairs I have had no party organization behind me to defend or advertise my public record. I have neither the time nor the inclination for either."

"No man, intrigues or cabal could place at the head of chief director of the British Empire and maintain him for 18 months an ordinary man of the people, without rank or social influence or special influence, and with no party organization behind him."

Speaking at a luncheon, Premier Lloyd George said there was no doubt that there had been a conspiracy for a great rising in Ireland. He stated that he had seen the evidence. The leaders of the Nationalist party, he added, had nothing to do with it.

The premier said it was not relevant to assert that England had treated Ireland badly in the past. This was not England's war. It was a struggle of Belgium, Serbia, and other small nationalities, and of Italy and the Russian Empire.

"I am sorry to say," he continued, "that Ireland has not merely sided, but that many Irishmen seem to have been swayed by that military autocracy which oppressed small nations."

The premier concluded his reference to Ireland as follows: "All the indications in our possession point to the fact that the blow was timed for the moment when the German high command deemed its preparations to crush the British army in France had reached the culminating point. Had we shirked stern action without delay we should have deserved impeachment."

"Let me make one point clear. The Irish Nationalist leaders had nothing to do with it. They were not even cognizant of it. Of that I am convinced from the evidence. I am therefore not in the least surprised at the doubts they expressed as to its existence."

"The Irish fought as bravely as they always did when face to face with danger, but they were not doing the manhood of Ireland unfortunately held aloof," he said.

"I do not despair of Irishmen realizing soon that they are not doing well for the credit of their great race to stand out in this struggle. Opportunity will be afforded them to come forward of their own accord, and I am hopeful that the response will be worthy the best and highest traditions of their race."

The premier's words evoked loud applause.

MAJOR TREBILCOCK KILLED IN ACTION. Joseph Trebilcock, of 21 Lyall avenue, yesterday received a cable from England, informing him that his son, Major J. A. Trebilcock, M.C., had been killed in action.

Major Trebilcock left Canada three years ago and joined the British army as a private, and won his majority and the Military Cross on the battlefield. His only brother, A. J. Trebilcock, went overseas with the 12th Battalion, Hamilton, and was killed in action last November. Besides his parents, seven sisters and an aunt are mourning his loss.

ADDITION TO FIRE DEPARTMENT. Congratulations are being heaped upon James Parker, fireman of No. 2 station, on the arrival of a son and heir at his home.

YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS

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DAY AND NIGHT SERVICE. SHANNON THE PLUMBER Phone Park 738-739

West Toronto LATE MRS. McWILLIAMS LEAVES LARGE FAMILY

On Thursday, at 223 Perth avenue, the death occurred of Isabella Sterling McWilliams, widow of the late James McWilliams of Whiteinch, Glasgow, Scotland, aged 69 years.

Mrs. McWilliams came to Canada four years ago, her husband having died five years previously, and had lived on Perth avenue ever since. She had been ill for two years and confined to her bed for seven months.

Nine children survive Mrs. McWilliams, three of whom, John MacArthur, Sadie and Jennie, live at 223 Perth avenue, and one, R. S. McWilliams, at South Torrance, while the rest are in Scotland.

Rev. G. M. Dunn of Perth avenue Presbyterian Church, of which Mrs. McWilliams was a member, and Rev. Geo. Robinson of Davenport Methodist Church, of which others of the family are members, will conduct the funeral service, which takes place today at 2 p.m. from 223 Perth avenue to Prospect Cemetery.

YOUNG SOLDIER RETURNS. Pte. W. C. McCaullum Has Been Through Many Big Battles.

It is quite evident that No. 2 Annetta street shelter returned here. The house was bravely decorated with flags when Pte. W. C. McCaullum returned home Thursday night after having served over two years. Pte. McCaullum enlisted in the 1st Battalion, 12th Brigade, and then to the 6th Battalion. He has been through all the major battles in which Canadians have engaged since arrival in France, has been twice gassed, and is now invalided home at the age of 21 years.

CHILD HUNT BY AUTO. While driving his car south on Dorval street near Glenlake avenue yesterday, L. Fairbank, 2260 Wm. Dundas street, ran into Ronald Wattland, aged nine, 608 Inglewood road, who was riding on a child's express wagon, heavily armed with a knife. The boy will be confined to his bed for some time.

SOCIAL CLUB DANCE. The O. K. Social Club held a successful dance last night at St. Julian Hall.

Beaches BEACHES ARE CROWDED ON FIRST OF HOLIDAYS

Despite the somewhat cool weather that prevailed along the water front yesterday at the beaches, it was almost impossible to procure a canoe or rowboat, so great was the demand for all kinds of craft with which to enjoy the first day of the season. The beaches presented a very lively appearance. Many picnic parties were observed all along the front from Woodbine avenue to east of Victoria park. Gardens also was crowded with picnic parties and many children were gathered around the swings.

AUTO STRUCK BY STREET CAR. While turning north off Queen street to Waverley road yesterday afternoon, an auto, owned and driven by Harold Langton, 11 Brookwood road, was struck damaged, although nobody in the auto was hurt. "Who was to blame is not yet settled."

BRAMPTON ASSESSMENT. The Brampton assessment rolls for 1918 have been handed in. The figures stand as follows: Total acreage, 19,015 acres; real property, \$595,450; value of buildings, \$1,795,291; total land taxable, \$2,390,741; total value of land and buildings, \$4,185,932; business assessments, \$17,255; taxable income, \$87,510; total assessment, \$2,585,604; children between the ages of 5 and 21, 241; between the ages of 2 and 4, 619; persons of the age, 3665; males between the ages of 21 and 60, 777. In the past twelve months there have been 67 births.

Treasure and Trinkets Provincial Women's Christian Temperance Union May secure the very recently located shop, No. 212 Yonge Street, where they will have a four days' sale of the accumulated "treasure and trinkets" which the past month has brought. Valuations will have their work completed and the sale of miscellaneous goods will be on Monday, May 27. This unique and splendid collection of gold and silver plate and most reasonable prices. Proceeds of sale go to provide free soup and hot drinks for the boys in the trenches and the wounded coming out. Ladies wishing to donate gifts of china or bric-a-brac may do so on Monday or Tuesday. Remember the number, 212 Yonge Street, west side.

Earlscourt FAIRBANK MAY DAY FESTIVAL SUCCESSFUL

The great annual event in Fairbank is the May festival, held in connection with St. Hilts Church, of which Rev. H. R. Young is rector.

This year's May Day festivities were quite as successful as the preceding ones, and were staged under the personal direction of St. Major Reginald Cross, chairman, and the rector, St. Major Stoss, who was wounded at the great battle of Ypres, and was returned to Toronto a few months ago.

The proceedings began with a spectacular procession of over a hundred young people, all daintily costumed in May Day gowns.

Mrs. Stoss represented Britannia, Miss Kemp New Canada, and Mrs. White Old Canada. Mary Macdonald was voted Queen of the May, and was escorted to the throne set apart for that purpose in the grounds of the church, attended by Kathleen Payne and Olive Lane. The scene ending by a solo and chorus by the children.

George White represented Robin Hood, and Florence Wilkinson was Little Red Riding Hood.

Young Harry Saunders, a naval cadet, with St. Major Stoss, headed the procession. A series of sporting events followed—a race for soldiers' wives, the May folks dance, the crowning of the May fairies, and a tug-of-war.

Various prizes were donated by Fairbank merchants, and the festival ended at night with a grand concert given by Fairbank talent.

BUSY DAY AT EARLSCOURT. Hundreds Spend Holiday Working in Their Gardens.

From early morning until dusk Earlscourt citizens were out on their garden patches taking "time by the forelock."

Hundreds of plots being under cultivation, it is said, that the biggest crop of potatoes and other vegetables will be on hand in the fall of the year.

Scarcely an avenue north and south of St. Clair, where recent frost extended, but what was being prepared by busy hands, in some cases the whole family contributing their share in this patriotic effort to win the war.

NO FIREWORKS IN EVIDENCE. The Earlscourt fire department reports Victoria Day this year as the quietest on record as far as fireworks were concerned. The younger element seemed to have expended their efforts in this direction before the arrival of the holiday.

SCARLATINA AT EARLSCOURT. Several cases of scarlatina have broken out in Earlscourt the past few days, some of them being reported as serious.

Riverdale PICNIC AT HIGH PARK.

The young people's Christian Endeavor Societies, senior, intermediate and junior, connected with Riverdale Presbyterian Church, Pope avenue, held a most enjoyable outing at High Park yesterday.

Over 400 young people, together with their parents and friends, were present. Refreshments were served and a program of games and sports successfully carried out. The party was under the supervision of Miss Hicks, deaconess, and William Stevenson, president of the society. The party was conveyed in private cars to the grounds.

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Danforth LITTLE TOTS WRIGGLE THRU VIADUCT RAILING

The Bloor-Danforth viaduct was walked over and inspected with considerable interest by a large crowd of citizens yesterday and many comments were heard as to when the big undertaking would commence to run and the street cars open for motor and vehicle traffic.

Two little boys, aged 6 and 8 years, were seen to wriggle thru the arches of the viaduct, and the crowd of on-lookers remarked: "I got thru the hole and didn't fall down." The boys were warned away by a passerby.

FIRECRACKERS START FIRE. An outbreak of fire occurred yesterday shortly after noon at Tim O'Rourke's, 1111 Bloor street, caused by boys setting off firecrackers. The fire raged quickly on the scene. The damage was slight.

MASQUERADE BALL. Great Preparations by Riverdale Branch, G.W.V.A. The usual weekly euchre and dance in connection with the Riverdale branch, G.W.V.A., was held last evening in Play-Boy's Hall, Danforth avenue, and was a good attendance.

The Danforth branch are at present being made for the grand masquerade ball in aid of the Riverdale branch. The event, which will be held at the Danforth branch, will be a grand success. The event, Com. Sgt. W. Harding is chairman of the entertainment committee.

WAR LECTURE GIVEN. Under the auspices of the Danforth Avenue Methodist Church, Danforth avenue, an interesting war lecture was given by Miss Ada Ward, lately returned from the war zone, last evening, Tuesday, May 21, at 7:30 p.m. The lecture was given in the Danforth branch of the W.C.T.U. building, front. There was a large attendance.

EVERYONE GOES GARDENING. Throughout the Todmorden district practically everyone was gardening yesterday, and everywhere a busy scene was seen in the vegetable gardens. The picture theatres played to crowded audiences.

Todmorden GOOD TIME BRITING HOME. Pte. William Compton, C.E.F., 127 Bee street, Todmorden, who has just returned from overseas, said: "The boys had a good time coming across the ocean. We were well treated on the voyage and there were plenty of cars to take us to our homes on arrival in Toronto."

APPETITE FAILED. Mr. Daniel Dexter, Liverpool, N.S., says: "For years I was a great sufferer from indigestion. I was troubled with gas on the stomach, which caused disagreeable sensations. I was also frequently troubled with nausea and vomiting, which were very distressing. As a result of my trouble my appetite almost completely failed, and what I did eat caused me constant pain. I was continually doctoring, but did not get any benefit, and had about made up my mind that I would suffer why I did not try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and while I had not much hope of a cure I decided to do so. I had only taken a few boxes, however, when I found they were helping me. Very gladly then I continued the use of the pills, and in less than three months I was as well as ever I had been, able to eat a hearty meal, and to feel that life was again worth living. I had also been troubled from time to time with attacks of rheumatism, and the use of the pills cured this as well as the indigestion. It is now over a year since I took the pills, and in that time I have had no return of the trouble."

FOOD TURNED SOUR. Mrs. J. Harris, Gerrard street, Toronto, says: "About three years ago I was seized with a severe attack of indigestion and vomiting. My food seemed to turn sour as soon as I ate it, and I would turn so deathly sick that sometimes I would fall on the floor after vomiting. I tried home remedies, but they did not help me. Then I went to a doctor, who gave me some powders, but they seemed to make me worse. This went on for nearly two months, and by that time my stomach was in such a state that I could not keep down a drink of water. I was wasted to a skeleton and felt that life was not worth living. I only taken a few boxes, however, when I found they were helping me. Very gladly then I continued the use of the pills, and in less than three months I was as well as ever I had been, able to eat a hearty meal, and to feel that life was again worth living. I had also been troubled from time to time with attacks of rheumatism, and the use of the pills cured this as well as the indigestion. It is now over a year since I took the pills, and in that time I have had no return of the trouble."

SUFFERED GREAT DISTRESS. Mrs. Albert Hall, Sonya, Ont., says: "I have used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills with wonderful results. For two years I was a great sufferer from indigestion, which almost made me a physical wreck. At times my sufferings were so great that I was unable to attend to my household duties. I had smothering spells at times and I had a sleepless rest after every meal. No matter how sparingly I ate, I suffered great distress. I tried several doctors, but their medicine did not seem to help me in the least. I saw Dr. Williams' Pink Pills advertised to cure this trouble and decided to try them. I had not been taking them long when I felt somewhat improved. This improvement continued and after taking ten boxes I could eat and digest all kinds of food and felt better than I had done for years. You may be sure I am very grateful for the wonderful relief these pills have given me. I know they are also a cure for anaemic sufferers, as an intimate friend of mine was badly affected with this trouble and, after taking several boxes, she was entirely cured."

If you are suffering from any form of stomach trouble, or any of the many ailments due to weak, watery blood, do not waste time and money experimenting with other remedies, but begin Dr. Williams' Pink Pills at once. These Pills have proved a cure in thousands of cases, and should do so in yours. Sold by all dealers in medicines or by mail at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, from The Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Brockville, Ontario.

WAR SUMMARY

THE DAY'S EVENTS REVIEWED

As if to confirm and emphasize the statement of Lloyd George at Edinburgh, that the submarine is a defeated weapon, another one of them, the U-65, has entered a Spanish port. This makes the second one to seek refuge in Spanish harbors in the past few days, and this fact shows that the seas in the south are becoming increasingly unsafe for these warcraft.

The British navy has driven these boats pretty well from northern waters, and it is now proceeding to drive them from southern waters. Hitherto the enemy in the Mediterranean and the Bay of Biscay has had an easy time of it, but that condition is going to end. He has managed, however, to concentrate his boats against transports carrying American troops, and has torpedoed two. One was empty, while the other was full of soldiers, but it may be possible that all have escaped death. This attack on troopships shows that the enemy is still vicious and dangerous, although his power at sea is on the rapid decline.

On the British battlefield the raiding and counter-raiding continued yesterday. The British penetrated the German lines at a point southwest of Arras; the Germans penetrated the British lines near Bucquoy, and the enemy raid in Aveluy points took in many prisoners. These are the incidents which mark the eve of another epoch-making conflict, for Premier Lloyd George of Britain is authoritatively stating that a desperate German attack is impending. The allied military leaders are confident that their armies will exact a large total of German prisoners, and will make the German army stop short of its appointed goals.

Bad weather has again come on the western front and it is interrupting allied aviation work. It will perhaps provide the Germans with the screen desired for attempting a surprise offensive to the normal aerial vigilance of the allies the enemy has become fond of beginning his big attacks in a fog. Before the weather broke British flying men dropped eight tons of explosives around Tournai. They also made the usual night rounds of air raiding.

The new German attack seems to be pretty near at hand, for the enemy has moved up troops from trenches placed there with reserve divisions. He may, however, take time to give them special training for manoeuvring in the mud, and for the general scheme of the offensive. The allies will counterbreak in the weather increases their difficulty of observation.

In Portuguese South Africa the British columns, pursuing the retreating Germans, overtook and engaged the main body, driving it westward, capturing rifles and ammunition. When overtaken the enemy was retiring from Nanangu, where he had abandoned a hospital. He is now driven off the road to Manna and may have to take to the jungle. The two British columns of pursuit have established direct communication between their advanced troops.

The creation of a new state under the name of White Russia out of the detached fragments of imperial Russia, has enlisted German support. It would comprise Livonia as well as Courland and other Baltic provinces. White Russia is a name invented partly by German professors to create a demand for their services as dis- tinctions and to provide for the breaking up of the Russian Empire. The enemy is planning the counter-balance of the north with a new government in the north and his ultimate aim is probably the incorporation of White Russia with Prussia.

Prince Arthur of Connaught is on his way to Japan. His mission probably marks the coming of the Anglo-Japanese alliance into force for a long period. Britain, on the opening of the military operations in Manchuria and Siberia, has, of course, to send a political and military mission to the new ally.

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