

BRANTFORD DAILY COURIER.

FORTY-FIFTH YEAR

BRANTFORD, CANADA, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1916

PROBS: Tuesday: Fair; higher temperature.

ONE CENT

Greek Ship at Durazzo Watching Bulgars Bernstorff Called to Order by U. S. Govt. Col. H. Cockshutt to Raise a New Battalion

LT. COL. HARRY COCKSHUTT IS PLACED ON ACTIVE SERVICE LIST

With Instructions to Form Another Battalion in This County—A Sketch of His Active and Notably Successful Career.

On Saturday afternoon Lt. Col. Harry Cockshutt received official notice that he had been placed on the active service list with the rank named and was instructed to form a battalion. The notification in this respect read as follows:

"I beg to inform you that the Hon. the Minister, has authorized the immediate formation of the 21st Overseas Battalion, C.E.F. to be raised

on behalf of Canada's part in the struggle, giving very largely of his means to various branches of the service, local and otherwise, contributing an ambulance motor for the front, making handsome donation to Recruiting League headquarters and so on, in an indefinite variety of ways. That he will successfully throw all his well-known energies into his new and important task, does not admit of any question. Already he has received scores of offers on the part of those anxious to be under his command.

The new Lieutenant-Colonel is the youngest son of the late Ignatius Cockshutt and President and Managing Director of the well known Cockshutt Plow Co., Limited, a concern which in addition to the parent factory also controls many other associated industries. He commenced his career in connection with the shops as one of the hands, thus securing first hand knowledge of the practical end of affairs and later as manager he introduced many innovations, among other things making a tour of the world, in the interests of the firm, a trip which constituted the foundation of the enormous foreign trade since built up. He has since frequently visited many lands in the same regard. It is his foremost position of the firm is largely the result of his foresight and zeal. In any matters affecting the welfare of Brantford he has always taken a leading part having been elected Mayor some fifteen years ago by a very large majority.

He is a member of a family which has given of its men very prominently in connection with hostilities. All of them who can do so have donned the khaki. Lt. Col. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., is honorary colonel of the 15th Brant Battalion, and has two sons

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Embargo on Coffee.

London, Feb. 21.—The Swedish government has prohibited the export of coffee, according to a Stockholm despatch of the Morning Post, because it was found that a number of agents were scouring the country trying to buy from the retailers with a view to illicit export, their action causing an enormous rise in prices. The government intends to increase considerably the penalties for transgressions of export prohibition laws.

COURIER'S DAILY CARTOON



GALLIPOLI—AND AFTER?

SEES "CONGRATULATE ME WILLIAM NO ENGLISH REMAIN I'VE DRIVEN THEM ALL INTO THE SEA."
"ARE YOU VERY CARELESS OF YOU, WHY, THAT'S THEIR ELEMENT!"

VIEW OF SALONICA AS SEEN FROM DECK OF AN ALLIED DESTROYER



SALONICA, FROM THE DECK OF A FRENCH DESTROYER. THE PICTURE GIVES A VIEW OF SALONICA, THE GREEK PORT HELD BY THE ALLIES, FROM THE DECK OF A FRENCH DESTROYER ACTING AS A GUARD VESSEL IN THE ROADSTADT OFF THE TOWN. THE OFFICER IS STANDING ON THE DECK OF THE DESTROYER. IN THE BACKGROUND OF THE PICTURE IS THE MOUNTAIN RIDGE BEHIND THE TOWN.

Greek Cruiser at Durazzo to Protect Their Interests

Should Bulgarians Enter the City, Warship Will Take Care of Greek Residents in the Surrounding Districts.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Paris, Feb. 21.—The Greek Cruiser Helle has arrived at the Albanian port of Durazzo, to protect the Greek residents in that city and in the surrounding districts in case the Bulgarians should succeed in entering the city, says the Rome correspondent of The Petit Parisien.

In the Austro-Hungarian official report dated February 20, it was stated that an advanced Italian position had been taken by the Austro-Hungarians near Bazarsjak, which lies about 1.2 miles to the north-east of Durazzo. It has previously been intimated in the Austrian official reports that the Bulgarians in Albania were operating against Avlona, about 80 miles south of Durazzo.

The Greek Cruiser Helle was formerly the Chinese warship Fei Hong and was purchased by Greece from China in 1914. She is 330 feet long, 42 feet beam and 13 feet draught, has a normal displacement of 2,600 tons and carries a crew of 230 men. Her armament includes two 6-inch guns, four 4-inch guns, two 3-inch guns and six 3-pounders. She has two torpedo tubes above water. The vessel was constructed by the New York Shipbuilding Company, was laid down in 1911, and was completed in 1913.

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Whether he will be allowed to retain his residence in Washington depends upon his future conduct. If he does not take to heart the admonitions of the administration his recall will be demanded.

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SPREAD WRONG IMPRESSION.

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The idea that Germany has gained her inspiration from the American proposal also involved the predictions said to have been inspired from official sources that the United States would acquiesce in the German warfare. Thus the entire attitude of the administration was misrepresented, it is felt, for a distinct and improper purpose.

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Two Votes of Credit Were Introduced To-day by Mr. Asquith in the Commons

London, Feb. 21.—Premier Asquith introduced two votes of credit in the House of Commons to-day. The premier's speech was confined entirely to the financial aspect of the present situation, no reference being made to military affairs in general. The first vote of credit was on the supplementary estimate for the current fiscal year, bringing up the total war expenditure for the year to £1,420,000,000. This appropriation is for £120,000,000. This second vote to provide funds for the first part of the financial year beginning April 1, amounts to £300,000,000.

After the opening of the session, Premier Asquith introduced in the House of Commons the expected votes of credit aggregating £420,000,000.

Mr. Asquith told the House that the daily expenditure from April 1 to July 1 of last year was £2,800,000, making a total of £1,120,000,000, from July 18, to September 11, £3,500,000, from November 12 to November 19, between £3,400,000 and £4,400,000. Loans to Great Britain's Allies and to the Dominions on November 7, and February 19, the amount loaned was £2,500,000, making a total of £1,689,000,000.

New Hun Loan.

Amsterdam, Feb. 20, via London, Feb. 21.—The Frankfurter Zeitung states that the new German war loan, which will shortly be announced at Berlin will comprise two types of securities, those of the customary war loan at 5 per cent, and 4 1/2 per cent, exchequer bonds, sold below par and redeemed in series at par.

The loser in a Yonkers poker game ran away with an \$18 jackpot, and the city judge decided no one could make him bring it back.

COUNT VON BERNSTORFF HAS OVER-STEPPED LINE; WILL BE DISCIPLINED BY STATE DEPT.

Secretary Lansing Will Tell Him That His Intrigues Against United States Must Stop at Once—Violated Pledges of Secrecy.

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New York, Feb. 21.—A despatch to The Herald from Washington, says: A high official of the State Department stated to-day that the administration felt it necessary to discipline Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador for his improper propagandist activities.

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Force is Behind the Demand, is the Report—Greek Military Council Called to Discuss the Situation.

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PRIVATE PROUSE WELCOMED AS HE COMES HOME

Civic Reception Saturday Night Held on the Market Square.

Wounded When Shell Struck Dugout, Killing Other Occupants.

Pte. Arthur Prouse, of the 8th Battalion, and who lives at 292 Darling street, arrived home from the front Saturday night and was accorded a civic reception which in enthusiasm was in keeping with what a returned soldier deserves. The bugle band of the 125th and a squad of soldiers, formed a guard of honor to Pte. Prouse as, met at the radial station, he was borne in triumph in a procession of autos to the Market Square, where short laudatory addresses of his service were delivered amidst the cheers of hundreds of citizens.

Pte. Prouse was welcomed at the station officially by Mayor Bowley, Hon. Lt. Col. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., Ald. Dowling, Chairman of the Soldiers' Aid Commission, Mr. J. H. Ham

M.P.P., Mr. W. S. Brewster and Mrs. H. W. Fitton, members of the same committee. The night was bitterly cold, yet a large crowd lined Market street, to watch the procession as it passed by and to see the soldier.

On the Market Square short addresses of welcome were made. Ald. Dowling welcomed him in the name of the Soldier's Aid Commission and promised the Commission would do all possible to help him along. "I'm proud of you," said Mayor Bowley, amid cheers. "The city welcomes and honors you." Pte. Prouse made a brief reply, "There's lots needed to fill up over there," he told the crowd.

Mr. J. H. Ham said that Pte. Prouse could now be in the parade of Old Soldiers, which would be held when the war was over, when maybe the City Hall would be loaned to make a bon fire with. Lt. Col. Cockshutt congratulated the soldier, as well as his mother and sister, who also had borne a heavy burden, and were heroes. He made an eloquent appeal for recruits and asked for cheers for the whole family, when through.

Pte. Prouse joined the forces in Winnipeg and was a private in the 8th Battalion. He stated that while it was good to feel that he had done his duty he was very glad to get home. He had a very narrow escape. He was in a dugout with two soldiers when a shrapnel shell exploded right over them, wounding him in the foot. The other two men were killed.

"I saw very few Germans," he told the Courier. "I saw prisoners of course, but outside of that one really never saw the enemy. Once in a while one would stick up his head above the trenches, but that was a rare occurrence."

The rain was one great drawback, said Pte. Prouse. For days at a time it would drizzle down, a fearfully penetrating rain, which soaked through everything. In fact, he seemed to want to give the impression that the rain in Flanders was worse than the rain over here was nothing to it in that respect.

Aside from that, trench work was not dangerous or particularly uncomfortable. It was monotonous, which was about all that could be said against it.

Pte. Prouse is now discharged as medically unfit. Beyond a slight lameness he states he feels in very good shape. His wound was by shrapnel in the foot.

CALLED UP

London, Feb. 21.—A royal proclamation has been posted, calling to the colors recruits in class 1, under the military service act. They are to report before March 31.

The class mentioned comprises the youngest of the recruits available. They are the bachelors who had attained 18 on August 15 last. It is believed that the majority of them have now attained 19 years of age, and have thus become eligible for military service. The present summons completes the calling up of the single men.

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