

## THE FRENCH CONTINUE GAINS; ITALIANS IN MIGHTY BATTLE

### IMPORTANT SURVEYS OF ELLESMERE

Definite Position of Two New Islands Established by McMillan.

### FOUND MIGHTY ICE GLACIER

Also Records of British Expedition of 1876—Neptune Damaged.

New York, Aug. 27.—Important surveys of the coast of Ellesmere Land, including the establishing of the definite position of two new islands, and the discovery of a heretofore unknown ice glacier, which has been named "American Museum Glacier," second in size only to the Humboldt glacier, was announced in a telegram received here today by the American Museum of Natural History from D. S. MacMillan. The explorer and his party who have landed from the rescue ship Neptune at Sydney, N. S., expect to reach here Thursday.

The telegram received today describes in detail the hazardous trip from Etah at Cape Harschel where MacMillan turned back. He states he found legible records of the British expedition of 1876, left there by Sir George Nares, in command of the expedition, also mail for his own two ships, the Discovery and Alert, left by Sir Arthur Young, of the Pandora, who subsequently visited the depot of the Nares expedition.

Neptune Damaged.

Sydney, N. S., Aug. 27.—Captain Bartlett of the Neptune in an interview regarding the trip said: "People said I would meet the fate of the Denmark, but I had too much reliance in the Neptune, the queen of the sealing fleet, to believe them. At the same time, it is all my trip with Peary I have never seen such heavy ice. I did not spare the ship, however we smashed through the heavy ice of Melville Bay and passed the Denmark strait in the ice field in the North Star Bay. At Disco we made a three hour stop and effected some repairs. Finally we reached Etah after a hard passage, got MacMillan and his party, and after staying four days, started back. Ice was bad as ever and we were forced to turn back several times.

Had To Go Around.

"Eventually we had to go around Wilson Home Sound to Herbert Island and work down the coast closely down Perry Sound, across Melville Bay to Devil's Thumb. We didn't see the Denmark on the return and got into Disco on August 17, just escaping a terrific hurricane. The rest of the trip until we dropped anchor here was uneventful. The trip up took us 26 days and the home voyage four days less."

The Neptune bears out Captain Bartlett's story of unprecedented ice conditions. Her bows are stove in, her stem is split and she is leaking badly. She has a large cargo of skins, scientific specimens and the usual amount of baggage accumulated by an exploring party which has been working industriously for four years.

### MORE PLANTS STOP MAKING SHELLS

American Locomotive Works at Montreal and Richmond Go Back to Engine Building.

Special to The Standard.

Montreal, August 27.—The directors of the American Locomotive Co. announce that the manufacture of munitions at Richmond and Montreal is about completed and the work of re-erecting these plants to locomotive production has already been started. When completed the entire capacity of all the plants of the company will be devoted exclusively to the manufacture of locomotives, which are urgently needed both at home and abroad.

### SLAVS ONCE MORE REPEL THE ENEMY

Roumanians Continue Their Good Work in Region of Oena—Raid on Ordu by Russians.

Petrograd, Aug. 27.—(British Admiralty per Wireless Press)—An Austro-German attack on Roumanian positions south of Oena last night was repulsed, the war office announces. Northeast of Oena the Roumanians recovered the night which had been wrested from them.

The statement follows: "Western front: There were fusillades and scouting operations. "Roumanian front: On Sunday night the enemy attacked Roumanian positions in the region of Oena but was repulsed. In the direction of Kozel-Vasarely the enemy last night made several attacks northeast of Oena. He succeeded in occupying one of the heights, but was driven out by a counter-attack. "On the Danube our machine gun fire on Saturday evening brought down an enemy hydroplane in flames. "Caucasian front: On the Black Sea coast, our troops, co-operating with our fleet, made a raid on the town of Ordu (100 miles west of Trebizond), the landing force was met by fire from houses occupied as hospitals. The landing party destroyed many of the buildings, and blew up eleven motor boats and six feluccas (small sailing vessels)."

### NEW INDUSTRY FOR MONCTON

Humphrey's Glass, Ltd., Incorporated—M. F. Tompkins' Daughter Dead.

Special to The Standard.

Moncton, Aug. 27.—The Humphrey's Glass Ltd., an industry which is removing from Trenton, N.S., to Moncton has been incorporated under the Dominion companies act and it is expected the concern will be in operation here this year. The Humphrey's Glass works are being transferred to Moncton to get the benefit of the "natural gas so essential in the successful production of glass. The company is capitalized at \$200,000.

Doris Jean, six year old daughter of M. F. Tompkins, general freight agent of the C. G. R., died at her parents home here this evening of meningitis.

### DOUBLE TRAGEDY IN BOSTON HOTEL

Young Man Shoots Himself and Wife, But Latter Will Live.

Boston, Aug. 27.—Charles Rubb shot his wife and then killed himself this morning in their apartment at Hotel Gesmery, Back Bay. Charles Livingstone, a brother of Mrs. Rubb, is detained at police station 16, as is Miss Bertha Ramsdell, aged eighteen. Both are thought to have been witnesses of the shooting. Rubb and his wife had disagreed for some time. Mrs. Rubb will recover.

### FRENCH GAIN A THOUSAND YARDS MORE

General Petain's Army Almost in Possession of Beaumont Village

Grand Headquarters of the French Army in France, Sunday, Aug. 26.—(By Associated Press)—The gallantry of the French troops before Verdun carried them forward again today, when they attacked between Mormont Farm and Lachaux Wood, and advanced another thousand yards, capturing nearly 1,000 prisoners.

### SEVERE ATTACKS BY THE GERMANS

French Captured Nearly One Thousand Prisoners Yesterday.

The territory to the south of Beaumont Heights and woods, almost to the village of Beaumont fell into their hands, despite the most severe German counter-attacks, which came under vigorous fire from the French artillery. The first attack in the centre was checked for a time, but the resistance of numerous nests of machine guns was overcome by the wonderful dash of the French troops before Verdun, which seems to be weakening, has been heavily of late before retreating under pressure, but the firing has been wild and little harm has been done.

French Maintain Positions.

Paris, Aug. 27.—The official statement follows: "On the Aisne front the Germans were very active last night. After a usually heavy bombardment of special German detachments delivered a series of attacks at various points on our lines, especially that the rose Noisy Farm and east and west of Cerny and on both sides of the Hurbette monument. Everywhere the violence of our troops baffled the efforts of the enemy who were unable to obtain the slightest advantage.

On the right bank of the Meuse (Verdun front) the Germans attempted by a violent counter-attack, to eject us from our positions south of Beaumont. Our fire paralyzed their efforts. We maintained all the captured positions, which we consolidated. Two German attacks, north and west of Vaux-les-Palmeux, were repulsed. The Germans fired numbers of shells on Comery. An infant was killed and three civilians were wounded.

### MILITARY SERVICE COUNCIL NAMED

Col. Hector Prevost of Montreal is Chairman—No Unnecessary Delay.

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—(Canadian Press)—A military service council, to act in an advisory and assistant capacity in the administration of the conscription measure, has been appointed, to consist of the deputy-minister of justice, chairman; Col. Hector Prevost, Montreal; Lieut.-Col. H. A. Machin, Kenora; John S. Moss, Toronto, and Oliver Mowat Biggar, Edmonton. It is stated there will be no unnecessary delay in enforcing the act.

### CUPID TAKES BACK SEAT IN MONCTON

Moncton, Aug. 27.—What promised to be a happy conclusion to a youthful romance was nipped in the bud when, at the request of her parents, the police apprehended a young girl who was dead set on marrying a young fellow who has been keeping company with her for some time. Her people claimed they could do nothing with her, and so called in the aid of the authorities. As the girl was under 21, it was possible to take this method of heading the affair off. After talking matters over, the girl decided to go home with her people and Cupid received a temporary setback.

### HIGHER PENSIONS FOR SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES

Ottawa Government Takes Action in View of High Living Cost—Dates from Last April.

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—Pending final action in regard to pensions for soldiers and soldiers' dependents, there is to be a flat increase in the rate of pensions to meet the increased cost of living. The announcement was made in the house today by Sir Robert Borden in explaining the government's decision to postpone legislative action upon the proposed new scale of pensions. The whole pension question, stated the Prime Minister, was one that should be dealt with by the new parliament that would shortly be summoned.

It was a fact, however, that the cost of living had materially increased in Canada and the government deemed it advisable pending final consideration of the question, that there should be a further allowance to those drawing pensions. The proposed increase would date from the beginning of the present fiscal year, April 1st.

To Hon. Charles Murphy, the Prime Minister stated that the government had not decided upon the rate of increase.

### SIR ROBERT TO CONTINUE AS PREMIER

Attempt of Western Liberal Leaders to Eliminate Him Will Fail.

Conservatives to Confer Tomorrow

Western Liberals Suggest Sir George Foster for Premier.

OR SIR ADAM BECKWITH

F. B. Carvell Proposed by Them as the War Minister.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—Premier Sifton of Alberta is expected in Ottawa tomorrow to convey in person the terms of the conference of western Liberals which took place at Winnipeg to consider the proposals of the Prime Minister regarding the formation of a union government. A message indicating in the general terms the effect of the decision of the conference has been received by the Prime Minister, but has not been made public. However private messages to Liberal members have conveyed the most important findings of the conference.

Object to Premier.

It is the elimination of Sir Robert Borden as leader of the proposed union government. Other public men are named as leaders who would be looked upon favorably by the western politicians, who took part in the conference. Those mentioned for premier are either Sir George Foster or Sir Adam Beck with F. B. Carvell as war minister in Canada and overseas. As a result of the western message it has been necessary to "call a caucus" of the Conservative members and this important gathering will take place on Wednesday.

The talk of the lobbies shows that the Conservative party to a man repudiates the attitude towards the Prime Minister assumed by the western provincial leaders and there is little doubt that the caucus will express itself in vigorous terms in reply to the affront. It is stated emphatically by members

### DESPERATE BATTLE IN PROGRESS

Italians and Austrians Again Lock Horns at Bainsizza Plateau.

ENEMY BRINGS UP REINFORCEMENTS

Resistance of the Austrians Has Been Overcome at Various Points.

Rome, Aug. 27.—(British Admiralty per Wireless Press)—A desperate battle is in progress on the Bainsizza plateau, on the north of Gorizia, it is announced officially. The resistance of the Austrians has been overcome at various points.

The announcement follows: "On the Bainsizza plateau the intensity of the struggle has increased with the extreme desperation of the enemy, who by the greater employment of forces is seeking to prevent us from progressing towards the eastern extremity of the plateau. "Our troops are resolutely facing the new resistance of the enemy, and have overcome it at various points. "At Monte Tonale and Monte Panbio Alpinist battalions distinguished themselves by their valiant conduct. "We took more than 500 prisoners yesterday. Our airplanes, by effective and repeated bombardments, moved destruction in the interior of the enemy lines, increasing the disorder which reigned there on account of the hurried retreat."

### UNITED STATES PLACES BAN ON EXPORTS

Will Exercise Great Control of Merchandise Destined for Neutral Countries of Europe.

Washington, Aug. 27.—President Wilson tightened the government's control of exports tonight by issuing an order forbidding the shipment of any goods to European neutral countries, except under license, and by extending the lists for which license is required in shipment to the Allies and neutrals other than European countries to include cotton, all meats, sugar and most of America's other export commodities.

In a statement accompanying his proclamation the President said one of the first intentions of the government will be to see that no American products are made "the occasion of benefit to the enemy, either directly or indirectly."

Officials interpreted the order as forecasting a vigorous use of the export control as a war weapon and a policy of the strictest rationing of countries contiguous to Germany.

Nothing to Germany, and her allies also are formally prohibited by the President's order, and this is understood to mean that the export control is about to supersede the British system of giving letters of assurance for American cargoes. Up to now there has been nothing except the British blockade to prevent the shipment of American goods to Germany. Tonight's order in this respect accomplishes one of the purposes sought in the use of returned convalescent soldiers and the offer will probably be accepted by the authorities.

### WOODSTOCK WILL HAVE PURE WATER

Town Will Have \$60,000 Plant Within Short Time.

Special to The Standard.

Woodstock, Aug. 27.—The property holders and rate payers generally carried pure water in the vote taken today by Charles Combes, town treasurer, by a vote of 126 to 56, and a property vote of \$360,502 for the plan, and \$211,050 against it.

Tenders for the work including a filtration plant and other repairs to the pumping station will close tomorrow. The work will cost \$60,000. The engineer, A. K. Grimmer, who will be in charge of the work, says that the plant will be installed in 26 working days.

### HALF A DOZEN ARE INJURED AT NEW GLASGOW

Four Persons in Automobile Which Went Over Embankment—Boys Hurt by Cars.

Special to The Standard.

New Glasgow, Aug. 27.—No less than three serious accidents occurred here during the past 24 hours. Melville McKay, his wife and two children narrowly escaped being instantly killed. They were motoring along Greenhill Road when their car went over a bank, throwing all four occupants out on the road. Mrs. McKay was badly hurt about the back and shoulders.

One of the little girls was so severely cut about the leg that several stitches were necessary. The other little child was badly bruised. Mr. McKay also received several injuries.

The axle of the auto was broken and the machine was considerably damaged. "Almost at the same time a little fellow named Boswell Beck, about five years of age, was run down by an automobile on the water side and sustained a serious fracture of the thigh. The boy made a sudden dash across the road and ran in front of the car which struck him with great force. The occupants of the car stopped and took the little fellow to the hospital. "The third accident took place when a young lad named Maguire, about five years old, slipped and in some unaccountable way his foot caught under the rear wheel of a tram car. The boy was taken to the hospital where it was found the foot was almost completely severed from the body.

### WOMAN READ PRO GERMAN PAPERS

Wife of Prince Edward Island Man Found Guilty of Violating Law.

Yarmouth, N. S., Aug. 27.—A trial which for some days has created a great deal of talk terminated this afternoon when Stipendiary Pelton found Mrs. Annie McLeod guilty and imposed a fine of \$500 or six months in jail for having in her possession publications prohibited in the Dominion. Mrs. McLeod is of German descent, but her husband is a Prince Edward Island man, although a naturalized citizen and a medical practitioner in New York. The evidence showed that Mrs. McLeod had been receiving such publications as the New York American, the Fatherland, New York Staats Zeitung, New York Revue and New York Evening Journal.

### GOVERNMENT HOUSE FOR SOLDIERS

Lieut. Governor of Prince Edward Island Makes Offer.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Aug. 27.—Lieut. Gov. MacDonald has offered to surrender the government house to the use of returned convalescent soldiers and the offer will probably be accepted by the authorities.

The situation is ideal and affords facilities for camping, recreation and exercise.

### CLOSURE IS APPLIED IN PARLIAMENT

Hon. William Pugsley and Others Were Obstructing Legislation.

ST. JOHN MAN'S APPEAL FAILS

Canadian Northern Bill Begins to Make Headway at Last.

Special to The Standard.

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—Obstruction, plain and simple, is the attitude of the opposition towards the government policy of public ownership of the Canadian Northern Railway and to carry the measure the closure had to be resorted to. The question has now been before the house for three weeks and for several days the Commons have been in committee on the bill, yet not a clause had been disposed of. The situation was sent for. The ruling was sustained on a vote of 42 to 24, a government majority of 18. Dr. Michael Clark and Mr. J. G. Turritt with the government. The house went back into committee and clause 1 was carried by the closure vote of 46 to 20. Sir Pugsley, who with E. M. MacDonald has been the main obstructor, discussed clause 2 and on the conclusion of his speech the clause was moved and carried by the same vote.

The closure motion of the Minister of Finance came after a spirited debate. Sir Thomas said that described the House was to sit all summer, some progress would have to be made. He made plain that the discussion of the sitting had related rather to the second reading of the bill rather than to the committee stage when details should be under consideration.

### BRITISH SINK A SUBMARINE

An Atlantic Port, Aug. 27.—The destruction of a German submarine with all hands by a British submarine in the Atlantic ocean was described here today by the captain of a British steamer which was torpedoed by the enemy submarine. The trader, which was attacked on a voyage from this country to a British port, returned here after being repaired abroad.

According to the captain of the trader, the commander of the German submarine attacked the British merchantman by firing his deck guns when the torpedo which struck her failed to send her to the bottom. The trader's crew, who had taken to the open boats, witnessed the arrival of the British submarine and its attack on the German U-boat, which was broken in two and sunk by a torpedo from the British undersea craft.

The steamship crew then boarded their vessel, pumped her out and reached a British port.

### A COALITION GOVERNMENT

Adelaide, Australia, Aug. 27.—(Via Reuter's Ottawa Agency)—A coalition government has been formed in South Australia. The Liberal party is represented in the new ministry by Hon. A. H. Peake, premier; Sir R. Butler and Hon. J. G. Bice; the Nationalists, by Hon. A. W. Styles, former chief secretary; Hon. R. P. Blundell, former minister of marine, and Mr. Jacobson. The portfolios of the new ministers have not yet been allotted.