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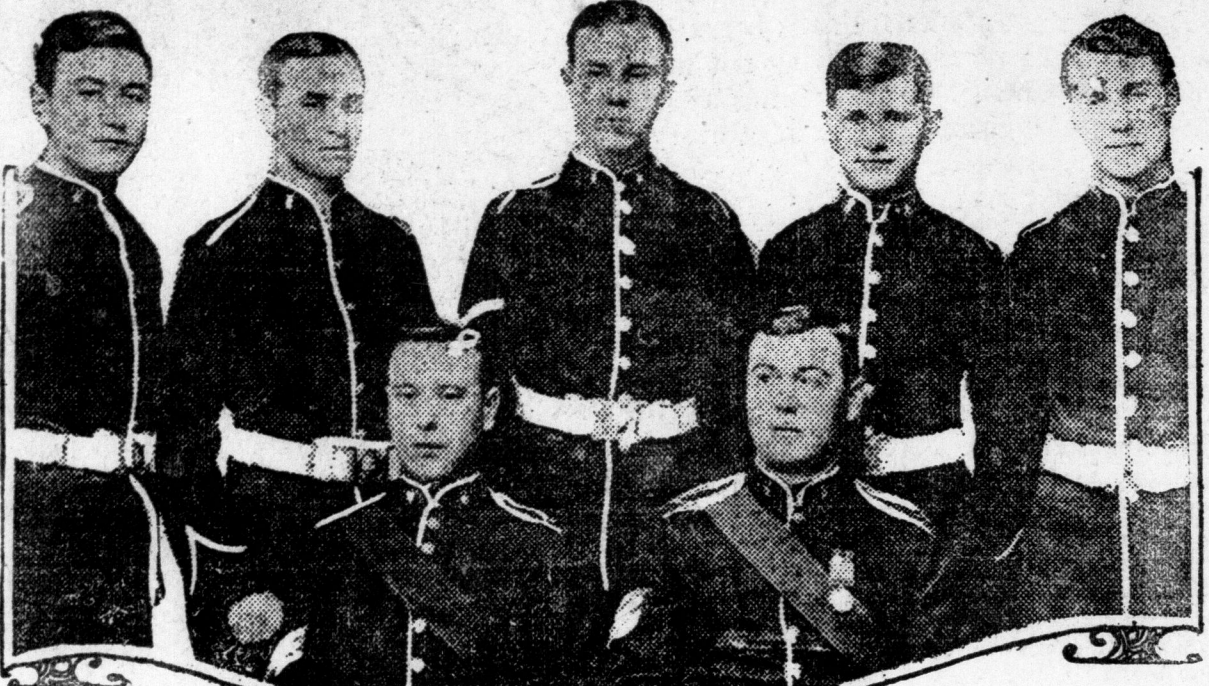
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BRITISH FIGHT SPLENDIDLY AGAINST SUPERIOR FORCES

AGED MOTHER SEES SEVEN SONS MARCH OFF TO WAR FOR ENGLAND!



THE SEVEN SONS OF MRS. JAMES COPPARD IN THEIR UNIFORMS AS BRITISH TERRITORIALS.

[Special Correspondence of The Advertiser.]
London, Aug. 27.—Mrs. James Coppard, a widow, aged 61 years, has given her seven stalwart sons to England.
She saw them march off shoulder to shoulder in the same company. The law of averages says that at least one of them must die and perhaps two others be fearfully wounded.
In three seconds a machine gun could obliterate from the face of the earth the brood that she spent 35 years in rearing.
Yet she was the proudest woman in all England when the West Kent "D" Territorials passed her on their way to the mobilization, even though their passing spelled poverty and deprivation for her in her declining years. The four younger ones were her only support.
The sons range from Wilfred, of 17, to Frederick, 34. The others are Harold, 18; Jack, 21; Leonard, 24; Percy, 23, and Herbert, 32. The two oldest are sergeants and the third oldest a corporal.
"She keeps up heart wonderfully," declared her only daughter, "but I know she feels their absence terribly. She smiles so bravely through it all."
"Sometimes when she thinks I am not looking I see her face grow sad. Then she sees me looking and says, 'Oh, I am so proud to think that all my boys are helping the old country. Won't I be pleased when they come back?'"
"Then she adds, 'You and I will just have to get along as best we can.'"
Her late husband was a volunteer.
"Wouldn't he have been proud to see them all march off!" she said to her daughter.
Her case has been brought to the attention of wealthy people and the mother who would give seven sons to her country will doubtless be well cared for during their absence.

GERMANS TOO HARD HIT TO SUSTAIN ADVANCE

Explanation of Lack of News Regarding Progress of War—French Gain Confidence By Reinforcement of Ministry.

[Canadian Press.]
Paris, Aug. 27.—11:15 a.m.—No official communication concerning the progress of the war had been issued this morning up to a quarter-past eleven.
This lack of news was generally attributed to the supposed inaction of the Germans, who were thought to have been too hard hit to sustain a general advance.
The French take their check in Belgium quietly, and seem to have gained confidence by the reinforcement of the ministry, as announced last night, as well as the strong stand taken by the French forces in Lorraine.

WILL LEAVE FOR CAMP TOMORROW

Sixth Battery To Entrain For Valcartier Late in the Afternoon.

A. S. C. ON SATURDAY
Both Corps Will Board Their Specials at Fair Grounds Siding.

The Sixth Field Artillery Battery will move out for Valcartier tomorrow, probably in the late afternoon. The Army Service Corps will leave at about 11 o'clock on Saturday morning. Both bodies will entrain with horses and equipment at the siding behind Queen's Park, where at present they are encamped. The specials will be taken via the inter-switching line to the C. P. R., over which road they go to the camp.

At first it was intended to entrain the battery at 9 o'clock in the morning, but Major Wood Leonard, the commanding officer, decided that this was impracticable since it will occupy the better part of a day to load the guns, horses and other equipment.

The battery and service corps will travel by special trains comprising passenger coaches and box flat and horse cars. Each body now has its full complement of horses, although Major W. G. Coles, commanding the latter, is still conducting purchasing operations. Today he is in Exeter and Lucan.

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AIRSHIPS DIRECTED GERMAN ARTILLERY
At Battle of Mons They Hovered Over British Position.
[Canadian Press.]
London, Aug. 27.—11:30 a.m.—Refugees from the scene of the fighting around Mons report that airmen took a prominent part in directing the German artillery, says the Times correspondent in Paris. Aeroplanes hovered over the British position, and their pilots signalled the German batteries by means of a disc swung at the end of a line.

PRICE OF SUGAR MAY COME DOWN

Embargo On Exportation in Raw State From the West Indies Lifted by Britain.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 27.—The price of sugar may come down within the next few days. Two things caused the rise, one was the increase in Canadian duties, and the other was an order made by the British Government forbidding the exportation of raw sugar from the British West Indies, which have been the chief source of sugar supply of the Canadian refiners.
Sir George Foster announces that the embargo has been lifted and that Canadian refiners are now at liberty to bring in raw sugar from the Southern Islands. This will go a long way towards relieving the sugar situation in Canada, particularly as the Atlantic is now safe for the passage of freight boats.

GERMANS ADMIT LOSS OF CRUISER

Say She Ran Aground—Report New Commander-in-Chief Appointed in Turkey.

[Canadian Press.]
Washington, Aug. 27.—The German embassy today received the following by wireless from the foreign office at Berlin: "Vienna reports that Liman Fasha has been appointed commander-in-chief of the Turkish European troops."
"The small cruiser Magdeburg, entering the Finnish Bay, ran aground after a fight with superior forces, and was blown up by her captain. Most of the crew were saved."
"A large number of prisoners, chiefly Turcos (French African troops) and British soldiers, passed through Aix-la-Chapelle today."

ARM NOT MEAT FOR "PRUSSIAN DOGS"

[Canadian Press.]
Paris, Aug. 27.—A colonial trooper, among the wounded brought from the front declared that he felt nothing when his arm was shot off by a shell which he saw it lying on the ground. Not being able to bear the thought of leaving it, as he expressed it, as "meat for the Prussian dogs," he picked it up and ran several yards with it before he was overcome.

RUSSIA EASILY ABLE TO RAISE 20 MILLIONS

Men Galore Available to Complete Work of Trained Fighters.
FORCES WELL EQUIPPED
Are Much Better Prepared Than in the Struggle Against Japan.

GERMANS DEMORALIZED
Königsberg Easy To Take, and Further Advance Considered Simple.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Aug. 27.—4:45 a.m.—A dispatch to the Post from St. Petersburg comments on the excellence of the Russian army and the inexhaustible supply of men to draw upon. It says further:
"Russia will have no difficulty in finding 20,000,000 men to complete the work begun by its trained fighting forces. Moreover, this is the first time in the memory of men that the Russian army has taken the field with adequate equipment and a sufficiency of supplies, under officers trained in the hard lesson so thoroughly learned in the Japanese campaign."
"The history of that campaign shows what Russian soldiers accomplish when badly fed and equipped, but under the conditions of today and fighting in a cause they understand, there is little wonder that the Russian soldier has proved himself a match for the German."
"The German opposition to the Russian advance is broken and demoralized. Königsberg, where three German army corps have taken refuge, is so situated it can easily be taken by an adequate force, while the rest of the Russian army passes on into the interior of Germany, and it is doubtful whether Germany has sufficient organized forces to oppose the Russians."

QUIET IN ANTWERP

Most of Outside Communications Have Been Cut Off.
[Canadian Press.]
Washington, Aug. 27.—Official reports from Antwerp to the state department today say the city is quiet, but that communication has been cut off from all points except Ghent and Bruges and certain points on the coast.

General French "Considers Prospects of Impending Battle Satisfactory"—Speaks of French in High Terms of Praise.

(Canadian Press.)

London, August 27.—4:12 p.m.—Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons today that Field Marshal Sir John French, commander of the British expeditionary force, had reported that he was yesterday engaged against superior German forces. The British troops fought splendidly, and General French considered the prospects in the impending battle satisfactory.

Premier Asquith added: "General French speaks in high terms of the quality and efficiency of the French regular troops and their officers."

On Premier Asquith's motion the House adopted an address to King George, praying His Majesty to convey to the King of Belgium an expression of the admiration of the Parliament of Belgium's heroic resistance to the German advance.

Premier Asquith and Andrew Bonar Law, the Unionist leader, each in turn paid high tributes to Belgian bravery and the House then adopted the motion with enthusiasm.

Moving in the Lords the same address of sympathy to be given that was adopted in the Commons, the Marquis of Crewe, lord privy seal, declared: "Acts have been committed on the Belgians contrary to all the laws and usages of war. Sooner or later the Germans will have to pay for their brutal methods to the utmost farthing."

In moving this address in the House of Commons, Premier Asquith said: "We do not repent our decision in engaging in this war. The issue was one which no great nation, without undying shame, could have declined."

"Never has the duty of preserving her national independence been more bravely acknowledged and never has it been more strenuously and heroically discharged than during the last week by the Belgian king and his people," said Premier Asquith. "They have faced without flinching and against almost incalculable odds the horrors of eruption, devastation, spoliation and outrage. They have won for themselves immortal glory, we are proud of their alliance, and in the name of the United Kingdom and of the whole Empire we assure them that they may count on the end on our whole-hearted and unflinching support."

KAISER WILHELM DER GROSSE SENT TO THE BOTTOM

British Cruiser High Flyer Sinks the Palatial North German Lloyd Boat Now Armed Cruiser.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Aug. 27.—4:12 p.m.—The Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse has been sunk off the west coast of Africa by the British cruiser High Flyer.

The Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse was one of the palatial steamers of the North German Lloyd Line. At the outbreak of the war she was converted into an armed cruiser, and since has been reported active in searching for British merchantmen. She has a tonnage of 14,349, and was built in 1897. She was 626 feet long, with a beam of 66 feet.
H. M. S. High Flyer, off the west coast of Africa.
One Killed on High Flyer.
"This is the vessel which has been interfering with traffic between this country and the Cape, and is one of the very few German armed auxiliary cruisers which succeeded in getting to sea. The survivors were landed before the vessel sank. The High Flyer had one killed and five wounded."

FRANCE WILL WIN BECAUSE RESOLVED

New Minister of War Sends Cheering Message to General Joffre.

[Canadian Press.]
Paris, Aug. 27.—4:05 p.m.—Alexandre Millerand, who became minister of war in the new cabinet formed last night, today addressed the following letter to Gen. Joffre, commander-in-chief of the French troops:
"My Dear General.—On assuming control of the ministry of war, I wish my first act to be to send to the troops under your command and their chiefs the tribute of the admiration and confidence of the Government of the republic and the country. France is assured of victory, because it is resolved to gain it."
"Following your example, and that of your armies, France will maintain until the end calm self-control with an earnestness of success. Subjected to iron discipline, which is the law and strength of the armies, the whole nation, rising in defence of its soil and liberties, has accepted resolutely every ordeal, even the most cruel."
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AUSTRIANS EVACUATE SANJAK OF NOVIKAZAR

[Canadian Press.]
London, Aug. 27.—3:23 p.m.—A dispatch to the Havas Agency from Kragujevac, Serbia, declares that the Austrians have evacuated the Sanjak of Novikazar.
The Sanjak of Novikazar is a strip of territory lying between Montenegro and Serbia, and up to the time of the Balkan war in 1912 belonged to Turkey.
During the Balkan war the occasion to gain again seized upon the occupation of the Sanjak, and this occupation by a large measure serves to neutralize the Serbian victories in those wars.

"PEACE" MEMBER CREATES A SCENE

Keir-Hardie Misunderstands Sir Edward Grey's Statement as to German Ambassador.

[Canadian Press.]
London, Aug. 27.—3:23 p.m.—The Foreign Secretary, Sir Edward Grey, paid a tribute to Prince Charles Max Lichnowsky, the former German ambassador to Great Britain, in the House of Commons this afternoon, saying that the diplomat had worked to the end for peace, but the real authority at Berlin did not rest with him or those like him.
He added that personal suggestions made by the German ambassador were quite distinct from the communications which the ambassador made on behalf of his Government. His suggestions worked for peace, but real authority did not rest with him, and that was why the efforts for peace failed.
Keir-Hardie Makes Scene.
James Keir-Hardie, Socialist member of the House, who is the only conspicuous supporter of peace remaining, created a scene during the Foreign Secretary's announcement. He demanded to know "whether the German Government had repudiated the ambassador's suggestion, and whether any effort had been made to find out how far the German Government would have agreed to his suggestions."
"Other members cried out: 'Sit down!'"
Explicit Statement.
Sir Edward Grey replied: "I do not want to have a misunderstanding. The German ambassador did not make any suggestions different to those of his Government."
W. M. R. Pringle, Liberal, asked whether Mr. Keir-Hardie had not constantly represented that these proposals had been actually made by the German Government. To this the Foreign Secretary replied: "That is one of the reasons why I thought it desirable to answer explicitly."

STEAMERS ARRIVED.
London, Aug. 27.—Arrived: Steamers Tyrolia, from Montreal; Ionian, from Montreal.
Liverpool, Aug. 27.—Arrived: Steamers Haverford, from Philadelphia; Philadelphia, from New York.

BIG CITIZENS' MASS MEETING TO HELP FUND

Aid For Soldiers' Families Will Be Considered On Monday Night.

BOARD OF TRADE AGREES

At Noon Meeting Today It Indorses Project of Patriotic Fund.

BIG DONATIONS EXPECTED

Example of the Huron & Erie Co. To Be Followed by Many Others.

The mass meeting to be held in the Masonic Temple next Monday evening, will be exclusively for the purpose of raising money to help the wives and families of soldiers left in the city by volunteers who have gone to the front. It is for this purpose, Mayor Graham said today, that the meeting had been arranged and it was for this purpose that contributions have already been made. A committee of citizens will probably be named at the mass meeting to administer such a fund.
Indorses Project.
The executive of the board of trade met at noon and indorses the mass meeting project, after hearing the (Continued on Page Three.)

THE WEATHER

THE LOCAL TEMPERATURES.
Following were the highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:
Previous to 8 a.m. today: Highest, 62; lowest, 48.
The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today: Highest, 62; lowest, 48.
Forecasts.
Light to moderate variable winds; generally fair and calm on Friday, but light showers in a few localities.
Temperatures.
The following were the highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today:
Stations. High. Low. Weather.
Victoria 62 52 Clear
Glasgow 62 48 Clear
Winnipeg 62 52 Cloudy
Port Arthur 54 46 Cloudy
Perry Sound 66 50 Cloudy
Toronto 68 52 Cloudy
Ottawa 62 44 Cloudy
Montreal 62 50 Clear
Quebec 64 46 Clear
Father Point 58 46 Cloudy

SHOWERS HAVE OCCURRED AGAIN over Lake Superior. Otherwise the weather in Canada has been everywhere fine.

VICTORIA SOCIETY MEN SERVE AS STOKERS ON THE RAINBOW

Taking Course of Instruction When War Broke Out, They Accepted Invitation To Remain as Plain Jack-Tars.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Aug. 27.—Victoria clubmen are shovelling coal on the Rainbow. There are a considerable number of prominent society men among the naval volunteers on Canada's Pacific coast cruisers.
Two years ago a number of old naval men on the Pacific coast inaugurated a naval volunteer movement which met with such enthusiastic support that Hon. Mr. Hazen was led to adopt the plan for the whole of Canada. If the outbreak of war had not prevented the arrival of naval instructors from the Prussia, there would be now companies drilling at all important centres across Canada from coast to coast.
Instructors Recalled.
However, when war threatened, the Admiralty cancelled the appointments of naval instructors selected to train Canadians, and sent them to posts on British fighting ships. Canada then started to organize a real navy, instead of a naval militia. The Noble will take her place on the British cruiser patrol on September 1.
The Rainbow is now believed to be chasing the German cruiser Leipzig. Prominent Victoria men are helping to get up the steam which speeds the boat. Before the declaration of war the Rainbow had been assigned to patrol duty in the Bering Sea, guarding seals from poachers. Fifty enthusiastic naval volunteers of Victoria had volunteered to go north and take a few weeks' practical training. When war was declared, the northern trip of the Rainbow was cancelled, and she was ordered to take up her services with the Admiralty. The Victoria naval militia were told that in war there was no place on the boat for students, but if they wanted a taste for real naval saluting there would be room for them under war conditions.
All Decide to Stay.
The whole lot decided to stay with the Rainbow. They are on it today, taking their watches with the regulars. (Continued on Page Three.)

RUSSIAN "HAMMER" SMITES HEAVILY

(Canadian Press.)
London, August 27.—7:05 a.m.—It is officially announced, says the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company, that the Russian advance is proceeding in Prussia with irresistible force.
The Germans have retreated to Osterode, a town of East Prussia, 100 miles west of Gumbinnen.

RUSSIAN PASSAGE THROUGH EAST PRUSSIA WIDE OPEN

Swiftiness of Cavalry Surprised Germans, Whose Defences Were Quickly Flanked—Poisoning of Abandoned Food Suspected.

[Canadian Press.]
St. Petersburg, Aug. 26, via London, Aug. 27.—6:10 a.m.—A Russian army order prohibits the use of food and other articles abandoned by the Germans in East Prussia, because of the danger of poisoning, which have occurred at Eydtkuhnen, Gumbinnen and Insterburg.
According to all accounts, the Germans were taken by surprise by the rapidity of the Russian cavalry movements and the dash through the Mazur lake district, where five lines of defence were flanked.
After the capture of Gumbinnen and Insterburg, the line which was strong, the Angerub line was taken with out fighting.
The Russian movement, together with the crossing of the River Angerub and the successful battle northward toward Neidenburg, seals the fate of the central fortifications. Fort Boyen was surrounded on all sides, and passage through East Prussia is consequently quite open.

SASKATCHEWAN GERMANS BUY GUNS AND AMMUNITION

Said To Be Good Deal of Feeling in District of Prussia, But Mounted Police Are On Job.

[Canadian Press.]
Medicine Hat, Alta., Aug. 27.—Information brought here from the district surrounding Prussia, Saskatchewan, is to the effect that all arms and ammunition in that town have been bought up by neighboring German population, and that there is a good deal of German feeling in that district. The Mounted Police have the matter in hand.

MAJOR SLIGHTED; OFFICERS OBJECT

Slight Accorded Commander of Battery Resented by Militia Men.

JUNIORS ARE APPOINTED
In Spite of His Work, Major Leonard Passed Over by Department.

The fact that Major Wood Leonard was passed over when a choice was made of battery commanders for the artillery section of the Canadian overseas contingent, has created a feeling of intense indignation in military circles in the city.

"The whole thing is grossly unfair," protested one officer. "Of the nine battery commanders given commissions six are junior to Major Leonard; only three of them, Lieut.-Col. McLaren and Major Callen, of Hamilton, are his seniors. It looks as though he has been slighted deliberately. If I were in his place I would be inclined to throw up the whole thing."

"Pull" Responsible.
Similar expressions of opinion were voiced in various quarters. Another officer in very forceful language declared his conviction that the appointments had been the result of "pull."

ENGLISH BUY GRAIN FROM U. S. EXPORTERS

Payments Deposited in New York. Better Tone Prevails.

[Canadian Press.]
New York, Aug. 27.—The most important development in Wall Street yesterday was the resumption of grain buying by English interests, exporters who held contracts prior to the breaking out of hostilities being informed that money to pay for shipments had been deposited here. There was also a better demand for grain bills, the two developments accounting for the more cheerful tone prevailing on the local exchange.
Such inquiries are being made indicate to the underwriters that shipping conditions are slowly, but surely becoming normal. They point out that there is no scarcity of boats.