

## TURKS BEND TIGRIS LINE; 100,000 GERMANS IN ASSAULT

Submarine Which Sunk Sussex Captured—French Plane Squadron Attacked Headquarters of Bulgar Staff—One Hundred Thousand German Infantry In Assault East of Meuse Last Night on French Lines, Which They Penetrated in Places.

### BRITISH LINE IN MESOPOTAMIA FORCED BACK.

LONDON, April 18.—The official press bureau announces that the British lines on the south bank of the Tigris in Mesopotamia have been forced back by the Turks for a distance in some places of from five hundred to eight hundred yards.

### 100,000 GERMANS ATTACK FRENCH LINES AND PENETRATE PORTIONS.

PARIS, April 18.—This morning's French war office announcement says the Germans last night attacked the entire French line east of the Meuse with one hundred thousand infantry. They succeeded in penetrating the first line west of Douaumont, but were partially thrown back. Hand to hand fighting occurred in Chauffeur Woods. The losses on both sides are heavy.

### 23 FRENCH PLANES BOMBED BULGAR STAFF.

Saloniki, April 18.—Twenty-three French aeroplanes bombarded the headquarters of the Bulgarian staff at Doiran this morning. The raid was very successful.

### TORPEDOER OF SUSSEX CAPTURED WITH CREW.

LONDON, April 18.—The Daily Mail today says the French have captured the submarine which torpedoed the Sussex and have made prisoners the captain and crew.

### RUSSIAN VESSEL SUNK BY SUBMARINE.

LONDON, April 18.—Lloyds reports that the Russian bark Schwanden, Greenock, Scotland for Mobile, Ala., had been sunk by a German submarine. The crew was saved.

PEACE RUMORS DROVE UP VALUE OF GERMAN MARK. LONDON, April 18.—The value of the German mark rose sensationally on the Amsterdam Exchange market yesterday on various peace rumors. Both French and British money also showed slightly higher quotations.

### JAMES A. ALLAN DEAD.

GLASGOW, April 18.—James A. Allan, formerly one of the chief partners of the Allan Steamship Line, died last night.

### PREMIER RYAN OF QUEENSLAND ON MISSION.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—Premier T. J. Ryan of Queensland, Australia, arrived here on his way to London on a mission arising indirectly out of the war. He would not explain further. He leaves tonight for New York.

### ENEMY MAKES FRESH ATTACK UPON VERDUN.

LONDON, April 18.—After nearly one week of inactivity, the Germans resumed their offensive on the right bank of the Meuse this afternoon at 2 o'clock, by launching a powerful attack on the French positions running east from the river as far as Douaumont, and they were met by a French curtain of fire, which drove them back on a front of about two and a half miles and they gained a footing at only one point, a small salient south of the Chauffeur Wood. During the attack the Germans suffered heavy losses, especially west of the Cote du Poivre and in the ravine between the Cote du Poivre and the Haudeumont Wood.

This attack was preceded as usual by a bombardment of increasing violence, which began in the early morning and lasted till about 2 o'clock, when the whistles blew for the attack. The French batteries in the Argonne heavily bombarded German works north of La Harass and a French mine blew up a German post with its occupants at Vauquois.

Hill 304 and the French second lines west of the Meuse were marks for a heavy German bombardment during the day. Raids were carried out by French bombarding squadrons on positions in the rear of the German lines. Twenty-two shells were dropped on the railway stations of Nantillois and Briulles, 15 on Etain and on a bivouac in the Epincourt Wood and eight on the tancamentments at Vieville and Thillot, northwest of Vignettes.

### INQUIRY TO BE WIDEN IF BRITAIN SO DESIRES.

OTTAWA, April 18.—Although it was generally understood that Major-General Sir Sam Hughes would not make any statement in the House of Commons until today, the galleries of the House were filled yesterday afternoon by a large crowd anxious to see the minister of militia. They were doomed, however, to disappointment. Sir Sam did not put in an appearance, and Hon. A. E. Kemp replied to the questions on the order paper calling for replies from the militia department. The prime minister, however, took an early opportunity of announcing that Gen. Hughes would make a statement to the House today.

The prime minister also read to the House an order-in-council providing that the complete debate upon the Laurier resolution calling for an investigation into the transactions of the shell committee be forwarded to the imperial authorities with the assurance that the Dominion government will co-operate in any way that may be suggested by the imperial authorities, in case the latter government desires to make an investigation.

### JOHN WESLEY'S RISE.

Kingston Whig.—Col. John Wesley Allison was, a few years ago, the steward of the official car of President Webb, of the New York Central Railway. Now he is a millionaire and hobnob with kings and princes. His career is an example of what

### nerve can accomplish.

### KHAKI CLUB GRANT

The council last evening granted \$65 to the Belleville Khaki Club to enable the ladies to prepare meat and fruit sandwiches for the men of the 80th Battalion as they leave to go overseas.

## CENTRAL FIRE HALL TO BE BUILT ON UPPER FRONT STREET

City Council Bought Post's Livery Site This Morning—New Scheme Calls For Purchase of Motor Trucks—Reorganization Will Save Money and Increase Efficiency.

This morning the city closed a deal with Mr. R. C. Arnett, for the purchase of the property on Front St., between the Kyle House and the St. Charles' Omnibus Company's property, for the sum of \$3,500. The council had secured an option on this land on which are two frame buildings, Post's Livery and Dime's second hand store and last evening decided to take up the option. On this building is to be built a modern central firehall costing about \$10,000 and when this is completed the old No. 1 and No. 2 are to be disposed of. Recently Ald. St. Charles, Ald. Deacon and Ald. Smith were appointed to report on the efficiency of the present department and suggest improvements. Last evening Ald. Deacon brought in a report suggesting the amalgamation of the two firehalls, the purchase of two motor trucks and showed how there could be a saving in this manner of hundreds of dollars annually and an increase in efficiency with the department centered in one building.

The proposed plan allows for the following annual fixed charges in the amalgamation:—  
Fire Chief, salary ..... \$1000 00  
Asst. Chief, salary ..... 600 00  
3 Drivers, \$480 per year 1440 00  
6 Firemen, \$480 per yr. 2880 00  
8 volunteer firemen \$75... 600 00

## ASSESSMENT OF CITY FOR 1916 SHOWS CONSIDERABLE INCREASE

Belleville's Population Declines Owing to Enlistment and Close of the Rolling Mills.

The assessment report of Belleville for 1916 has been made public by Mr. J. A. Kerr. He states:—  
ASSESSMENT LIABLE FOR ALL TAXES.  
Real property ..... \$5,571,850.00  
Business Assessment... 548,390.00  
Income Assessment... 137,665.00  
Total \$6,257,905.00  
Real Property liable for school rates only... 91,250.00  
Assessment liable for all rates over last yr 64,100.00  
Population for 1916 ..... 12,277  
Decrease from last year ..... 343  
VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY.  
Actual value of lands \$2,050,190.00  
Actual value of Bldgs. .... 4,207,715.00

### A TRIPLE BURIAL.

This afternoon a triple burial took place at Plainfield Cemetery, when the Belleville Burial Company transferred the remains of the three children of Mr. and Mrs. William Whitman from Victoria Cemetery vault to Plainfield. The members of the family attended the last rites, and Rev. Mr. Huffman officiated at the grave.

### GARBAGE CONTRACT \$4,500.

The garbage contract of the city of Belleville with Richard Stapley, has been renewed by the council for the next year at \$4,500, a slight increase over last year's sum.

### GUNNER WOUNDED.

Gunner Ernest L. Phillips of the C.F.A., who left Belleville with the first contingent has been reported wounded in France. He is suffering from multiple wounds, but his condition is satisfactory. He is now in Boulogne.

### "A BURNING SHAME"

All of the coke sold by the city must now pass over the market scales, according to the decision of the council last night, on a motion of Ald. Duckworth. "A burning shame"—laughed Ald. Deacon.

### MILITARY NOTES.

The 155th Battalion still leads the 3rd Division from April 1st to April 15th inclusive. The following are the returns:—

155—Hastings and Prince Edward	1084
109—Victoria and Haliburton	1010
156—Leeds and Grenville	1029
154—Stormont and Glenora	1048
130—Lanark	972
139—Northumberland	942
93—Peterboro	927
146—Frontenac, Lennox and Addington	927
136—Durham	759
207—Ottawa	156
230—Ottawa	78

Col. Putman of the 155th is in the city today.

Maintenance 2 horses ..... 300 00  
Maintenance 2 motor trucks 200 00  
Int. and depreciation on 2 motor trucks ..... 550 00  
Heating and lighting fire hall ..... 350 00  
Int. on capital exp. .... 640 00  
Total annual fixed charge \$3560 00  
This plan eliminates one permanent fireman and calls for the appointment of six volunteer firemen at \$125 each. Two horses only will be required instead of six as under the present contract. Another radical saving is in heating and lighting one hall instead of two.  
Under this scheme the capital expenditure will be as follows:—  
Land, buildings, and furnishings will cost ..... \$13500 00  
Less value of present fire hall ..... 5500 00  
Net cost of new central fire hall ..... 8000 00  
Two horses, \$200 ..... 400 00  
Two motor trucks, \$1550 ..... 3100 00  
\$11500 00  
The annual fixed charge of \$8,560 under the proposed plan means a saving of \$1,668, for the present scheme costs \$10,228 under the reorganization of December, 1915.  
In deciding to buy the site, the council took the first step towards carrying out the changes.

Total assessment of all real property ..... \$7,254,080.00  
"Owing to the closing of the rolling mills and the large numbers of our boys overseas, the population has slightly fallen off from last year. This is the first setback we have had in the six years I have had the honor of serving you in this capacity."  
"As per your report of your council I see you have appointed a committee on assessment. I am ready to meet your committee any afternoon or evening next week and I am holding the rolls open to receive any suggestions for the improvement of this department and the welfare of this city as a whole."

## Social and Personal

Mr. W. H. Polley, collector of customs at Trenton, is dangerously ill.

Mr. Harold Simmons, Commercial St., is able to be out again after an unusually severe attack of measles followed by bronchitis.

The flags of the Y.M.C.A. and Belleville High School are flying at half mast today in memory of Sergt. Pat. Yeomans.

An account of the Farrow-McCormick wedding will appear in tomorrow's issue.

Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Lott, of Moody, N.Y., are visiting relatives and friends in Stirling and vicinity—Stirling News Argus.

Mrs. E. C. Moynes and children returned on Monday after spending a week in Belleville.—Stirling News Argus.

A successful recruiting meeting was held last night at Frankford. The speakers were George H. Allen, Toronto, Canon Armstrong, Col. Putman, Sergt. Andrews and others. The 155th Band took part. The same speakers and Col. Adams will address a meeting at Stirling tonight.

Lieut. Kelly of Marmora is in town and Lt. Cole who is in hospital undergoing an operation is able to be out.

disease that is not classed as fatal there is probably none which causes more terrible suffering than asthma. Sleep is impossible, the sufferer becomes exhausted and finally, though the attack passes, is left in unceasing dread of its return. Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy is a wonderful curative agent. It immediately relieves the restricted air passages as thousands can testify. It is sold by deal-

## BOYS' MILITARY SUITS

Including  
CAPS AND PUTTEES

only  
3.50

We have just received them and they are fine, and the price is so popular.  
We have at present all sizes up to 10 years of age.

Oak Hall

## Production and Thrift

TO win the war with the decisiveness which will ensure lasting peace, the Empire will require to put forth its full collective power in men and in money. From this viewpoint it is our true policy to augment our financial strength by multiplying our productive exertions and by exercising rigid economy, which reduces to the minimum all expenditures upon luxuries and non-essentials. Only in this way shall we be able to make good the loss caused by the withdrawal of so many of our workers from industrial activities, repair the wastage of the war, and find the funds for its continuance. It cannot be too frequently or too earnestly impressed upon our people that the heaviest burdens of the conflict still lie before us, and that industry and thrift are, for those who remain at home, supreme patriotic duties upon which faithful fulfillment of our success, and consequently our national safety, may ultimately depend."  
SIR THOMAS WHITE, Minister of Finance.

PRODUCE MORE, SAVE MORE.  
MAKE LABOUR EFFICIENT.  
SAVE MATERIALS FROM WASTE.  
SPEND MONEY WISELY.

### LET US PRODUCE AND SAVE—

The war is now turning on a corner, on our forces and resources—men, munitions, food, money. The call to all is to produce more and more. It may be necessary to work harder. The place of those who enlist must be taken by those at home, men and women, old and young. The more we produce the more we can save. Produce more on the farms and in the gardens. Save more and help to win the war.

### LET US NOT WASTE OUR LABOUR—

In this war-time all labour should be directly productive or should be assisting in production. Make it as efficient as possible. If your labour is on something that can be postponed, put it off till after the war and make your labour tell now. Making war is the first business of all Canadians. Efficiency in labour is as important as efficiency in fighting.

### LET US NOT WASTE MATERIALS—

Begin at home. The larger portion of salaries and wages is spent on the home—food, fuel, light, clothing. Are any of these things being wasted? \$20.00 a year saved from waste in every home in Canada will more than pay the interest on a war debt of \$500,000,000.

### LET US SPEND OUR MONEY WISELY—

Are you spending your money to the best advantage? What do you think of extravagance in war time? Tens of thousands of Canadians are daily risking their lives for us at home. Is it not our duty to be careful and economical? Canadian dollars are an important part of the war equipment. Make them tell. Have a War Savings Account. Buy a War Bond.

### THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

### MARRIAGE NOTICE.

Married at Hamilton on Wednesday, April 12th, 1916, by the Rev. H. F. Veals, Kathleen Florence, daughter of the late Daniel and Mrs. Cunningham (formerly of the School for the Deaf, Belleville), to Herbert Walter Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Ward of Hamilton, Ont.

### FIRST DEATH IN THE RANKS OF THE 139TH.

The first death in the ranks of the 139th occurred on Sunday, when Pte. Frederick Herbert Stevens passed away at the Cobourg Hospital, after an illness of ten days, from influenza followed by pneumonia. Deceased was 34 years of age, and was born in England, coming from Ottawa to enlist to which place the remains were taken on Monday for interment.

The military funeral on Monday

was a very impressive one. The remains were carried on a gun carriage, the casket being draped with the Union Jack. Headed by a firing party with arms reversed and the band playing "The Dead March," the battalion escorted the remains to the C.N.R. station. The men marching in reverse order, with the band playing the dirge, made a solemn and impressive sight.—Sentinel Star.

### GOOD WAR BOOK.

"Canada in Flanders," Volume I, of the Official story of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, has been issued by Messrs. Hodder & Stoughton, Limited, Toronto. The story of the part played by the Canadians at Neuve Chapelle, at Ypres, at Festubert and at Givenchy, as well as in the more humdrum work in the trenches is well told, and there are also valuable appendices. The volume is one which every Canadian should have on his bookshelves, especially as it is with-

in the reach of all, costing only 25 cents. It is well printed and neatly bound. More pretentious editions at \$1. and \$1.50 are to follow later.

### Y.M.C.A. NOTES.

The first of the series of Union Lenten Services under the auspices of the Evangelical Churches was held in the Y.M.C.A. auditorium yesterday afternoon, and was attended by a goodly number. The Scripture lesson was given by Rev. S. C. Moore.

This afternoon the Scripture lesson will be presented by Rev. A. S. Kerr from four to five o'clock. Everybody welcome.

The Y.M.C.A. flag is half mast in memory and honor of one of our worthy members, who with many more has given his life for his King and Country, Mr. Pat Yeomans.

## WORLD'S MESSAGE

Strange Phenomena  
Excitement  
Florence

AND TO COME

People Giving  
Anticipation  
All Time

(Apalachicola (Fla.))  
Two thousand have witnessed the thousand souls fearing that the will come on the of the opening of Europe. The scene, U. S. A. The March 10, 1916. henhouse of Bob on the edge of the Galina, beloved W let of the Knowl Association. What day is the story.

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