

100 SHELLS FIRED AT LINER; AMERICANS ABOARD ANCONA; BRITISH FORCE ACTIVE IN SERBIA

Two German Submarines Sunk at Gibraltar-Serbia Win Success Against Bulgarians in Mountains-Italians Carry Another Peak 7,700 Ft. High-British Destroyer Wrecked-Reinforcements For British in Strumitza Region-Berlin Claims Anglo-French Defeated With Enormous Loss in Serbia-Greek Army to be Demobilized-New British War Credit Asked.

BERLIN SAYS FRANCO-BRITISH DEFEATED

BERLIN, Nov. 10.—A defeat for the French and British troops in Serbia with losses described as enormous is reported in a despatch from Sofia by way of Budapest.

GREEK ARMY TO BE DEMOBILIZED.

ROME, Nov. 10.—A decree ordering the demobilization of the Greek army will be issued shortly, according to an Athens despatch to the Giornale d'Italia.

NEW WAR CREDIT ASKED BY ENGLAND.

LONDON, Nov. 10.—Premier Asquith today asked parliament for a credit of 400,000,000 pounds, about \$2,000,000,000. This brings the total war credits thus far up to 1,400,000,000 pounds, about \$7,000,000,000.

JAPANESE EMPEROR CONSECRATED.

TOKIO, Nov. 10.—Yohsuito was confirmed or consecrated Emperor of Japan in Kioto, the ancient capital today.

SINKS TWO GERMAN SUBS AT GIBRALTAR

LONDON, Nov. 10.—Telegrams received from Algeiras, Morocco, by way of Madrid, report a British cruiser has sunk two German submarines in the Straits of Gibraltar.

BRITISH DESTROYER STRANDED: CREW SAVED.

LONDON, Nov. 10.—The Admiralty announces that the torpedo boat destroyer Lewes is stranded on the eastern Mediterranean coast and is a total wreck. The crew was saved.

AMERICANS ABOARD TORPEDOED LINER.

LONDON, Nov. 10.—A despatch to Lloyds from Bizerta states that some Americans are said to have been aboard the Italian liner Ancona sunk in the Mediterranean yesterday by a German submarine.

A despatch from the Stefani news agency of Rome says 100 shells were fired into the Ancona before she was torpedoed. Two of the Ancona's boats with 54 members of the crew landed near Cape Bon Tunis today, some of the men were injured.

BRITISH OPERATING TOWARDS STRUMNITZA.

PARIS, Nov. 10.—A Saloniki despatch says the official report of the British-French staff states that the British troops reinforced by a new division of eighteen thousand men now hold all the region north of Dolran, and are operating towards Strumnitza. The French now occupy Monzin, Camandol and Dobristz regions. Supply trains circulate freely. It is confirmed that the French troops have occupied the town of Veles.

SERBIANS' SUCCESS IN KUTCHANIK DEFILES.

ATHENS, Nov. 10.—Serbians operating in the defiles of Kutchanik against the Bulgars advancing from Uskub to Pristrend report an important success, according to advices from Saloniki.

ITALIANS REACH ANOTHER SUMMIT.

ROME, Nov. 10.—The War Office announces that the Italians have reached another summit 7,700 feet high, and have inflicted severe losses on the Austrians who attacked along the Trentino front.

NEW ELECTION IN GREECE.

LONDON, Nov. 10.—A decree dissolving the

Greek chamber will be published today, according to an Athens despatch to The Daily Chronicle.

BULGARIA THREATENS GREECE.

PARIS, Nov. 10.—The Temps prints a despatch from Saloniki, in which Premier Radoslavoff of Bulgaria is quoted by the Sofia correspondent of The Pesti-Hirlap of Budapest, Hungary, as declaring: "The Grecian Government now has been warned that it cannot hold the Bulgarian Government responsible for the consequences of its future attitude."

This notification, according to the correspondent, followed representations made by the premier to M. Naoum, Greek minister to Bulgaria.

Premier Radoslavoff, the correspondent declares, regards the facilities accorded for the disembarkation of allied troops at Saloniki as incompatible with Greek neutrality, and has informed Minister Naoum to this effect.

FRENCH ARTILLERY SMASHES BLOCK-HOUSES AND TRENCHES.

PARIS, Nov. 10.—The following official communication was issued by the war office last night:

"Artillery actions took place on a great part of the front, particularly on the plateau of Novvron, where we concentrated a very effective fire on the enemy organizations.

"In Champagne the cannonading has again been very violent on both sides in the region of Tahure and the Butte Du Mesnil.

"In the Vosges, to the south of Lusse, our trench guns demolished a blockhouse and shelters of the enemy."

The Belgian official communication reads: "Calm prevailed last night. Furnes, Rams-capelle, Parysse, Rousdamme and Caeskerke were bombarded today. Some projectiles were directed against our advanced posts and at various points along our lines."

CONSERVATION OF FOOD IS WORRYING TEUTONS.

BERLIN, via London, Nov. 10.—National Liberal members of the Reichstag, at a conference in Eisenach, passed resolutions declaring that counter-action in the high food prices was the most important task in home politics. The resolutions said the actions already taken was insufficient, and that other measures for enforcing economy, like the introduction of meat, lard and butter tickets, must be adopted, an dthat means must be found to supply peasant stock growers with foodstuffs. The conference also discussed the censorship.

The Vossische Zeitung says the German authorities are considering the introduction of meat cards on the principle of bread cards, in order to prevent housewives from laying in stores of meat for the days on which no meat is supposed to be used.

TURKEY WANTS LARGE LOAN FROM GERMAN.

LONDON, Nov. 10.—An Amsterdam despatch to the Central News says the official Gazette of Constantinople publishes an act voted by parliament authorizing the government to make arrangements with the German Government for an advance of \$30,000,000.

REIGN OF FORCE IS DOOMED: FAITH OF ASQUITH UNSHAKEN.

LONDON, Nov. 10.—The annual banquet of the Lord Mayor of London was celebrated in the Guildhall last night. Sir Charles Seers Wakefield having been inaugurated during the course of the day. All the city officials, many members of the government and the diplomatic representatives attended.

Mr. Hess Making Many Friends in Old Quebec

The following report which speaks for itself we clip from The Quebec Telegraph of Oct. 30th.— An enjoyable time was had at the Y.M.C.A. last night, when the senior members of the local association gave their opening social of the season, the function also serving as a formal introduction of the new General Secretary, Mr. Hess, who though only taking up his duties a short time ago has made himself exceedingly popular not alone among the members of the institution, but with all those who have had the good fortune to come in contact with him, his courteous and genial manner winning for him just appreciation.

Rev. Mr. Rogers was introduced to the audience and in prefacing his brief address remarked the pleasure it afforded him to have the opportunity of addressing the members and supporters of the Y.M.C.A., this pleasure being enhanced because his old friend, Mr. Hess had been called to be secretary of the association here. The speaker said he had been closely connected with the work of the Y.M.C.A. for upwards of twenty-five years, but still he was not an old man and would go a ten mile run and go into the gymnasium and compete with the athletes there. In referring to Y.M.C.A. work he paid an eloquent tribute to Mr. Hess: "You have in him," said the speaker, "a man who has done valuable work in Ontario." The Y. M. C. A. is not an undenominational but an inter-denominational institution. It is the right arm of church of Jesus Christ. It is easy, the speaker said, for one to get into a rut either in church or Y.M.C.A. work and the only way to get out of the rut is for all to put their shoulder to the wheel.

Mr. Rogers in concluding his remarks told of his experiences in the different military camps, and of his six weeks' stay at Valcartier, and of the work of the Y.M.C.A. there, which he characterized as magnificent.

Mrs. W. J. B. Fraser next delighted her hearers with her readily rendered vocal numbers, one being in response to an incessant encore. In her main song, her beautifully rich and pure voice was heard to much advantage in "Bonnie Sweet Bess," which was given on request, the second number being "Mother Alabaster."

Mr. Hess was also called upon for remarks, and he expressed the pleasure he felt at the opportunity of meeting those present and hoped that the formal introduction would ripen into friendship and prove fruitful of good results. He would be glad to have the men come into his office at any time and chat over things in which they were most interested, as this would stimulate a closer acquaintance.

He then went on to refer to the members of the local association who are now at the front fighting for us, and said they should have our prayers that God will protect them and carry them safely through. He spoke eloquently of the work being done by the different branches of the association, referring especially to the foundation of the railway branch. He pleaded for up-to-date methods in the work. "We cannot allow the methods used twenty, fifteen or even three years ago. We have to keep our eyes and minds focused on the hour," said he. We should also lend a helping hand to everyone, regardless of their race, creed or nationality. In concluding his happy remarks Mr. Hess said he desired to acknowledge the sweet sympathy which had been advanced to him by the members of the local Y.M.C.A., this despite the fact that he came here a stranger.

Training Class For Reserves

The NCO's training class of the reserve militia of the Fifteenth Regiment was held last night at the armories under the direction of Capt. Cook. Fourteen men were in attendance at the class. Interest is growing in this work and after the opening of the year when organization begins it is expected there will be a good showing.

Rugby

The Belleville high school rugby team, the winner of the southern district of the league composed of Peterboro, Lindsay, Belleville High School and Albert College, will play Peterborough at Peterborough on Saturday. The latter team is the winner of the northern group. Peterborough will play the return game here a week from Saturday.

AUCTION SALE

Farm stock and implements, including the season's crop, property of A. M. and Bayard Bradshaw, lot 10, Con. 8, Sidney Township, Thursday, Nov. 18, at 12.30 sharp. Usual terms. D. J. Fairfield, Auctioneer.

Private Boland Writes Home

Mr. P. A. Boland of the Second C. E.F. writes to his mother and sister from the front. "Somewhere in France, Oct. 31 Dear Mother— Just a few lines to let you know I am well. We are out of the trenches, having a rest, just after having a good bath and a change of clothing. It is hard work in the trenches. The first time we were in, it rained for five days and nights. Some times we get a little sleep but not very often. I have a job what they call 'looking out.' We go on shift at stand to and stay there until sunrise, the next morning. If we see a move we bug away for a few seconds and then duck our heads behind a sandbag. The Hun will come right back at us. There are about two hundred yards between our lines. Our battalion has been very lucky so far, only a few casualties. Now, mother, I could tell you a whole lot more but it would not do. There is some talk of peace about the first of the year. Don't worry about me. I will say good-bye with love to all. From your son, Pat (No. 57797)

"Somewhere in France, Oct. 28 Dear Sister Kathleen— Just received your letter of Oct. 8, also mother's letter dated Oct. 5th. I have been receiving a lot of mail from home lately, and from Toronto as well. Keep on writing. I am in the trenches today and sitting in my little dugout. When I got your last letter I thought it was nice of you to send me writing paper as it is hard to carry it around in our pack. I hope you have been getting my letters and cards lately. I write every time I get a chance. I was very glad to hear you are all well at home. I was more than pleased to hear that mother is well. I know she will worry a great deal but the only thing to do is to cheer up. This is war over here believe me, and a dangerous job too. We have been in a hot corner for the last few weeks, but our battalion has been very lucky. I have been in the best of health since I came to this country.

I suppose you would like to hear a little about our trench life. I have a job at night's looking out. We are in the first line about two hundred yards from the enemy's front line. Sometimes you can hardly hear a shot fired. Then you will go one of our star-shells and it will be as bright as day. If we see a move in their trench we will blaze away. Then the fire-work will start. That is about the way we put in these long nights.

New Kathleen don't ask me to send you anything just now. As soon as I have time I will send you some kind of a souvenir. I told you in one of my letters that I had received your check a week after I landed in France, and that I had it cashed O.K. Well sister, I think I have told you all for this time. Give my love to all. From your brother, P. A. Boland.

Sudden Death of George Weston

Mr. George Weston, a prominent and well-known resident of the township of Sidney died at his home in the Eighth concession on Monday night after only four days' illness. He had been out north deer-hunting, when he caught cold and was compelled to return home. When he reached there on Thursday night, he was a very sick man, and the disease had obtained such a hold that he succumbed as stated above.

Mr. Weston was formerly a leading business man in the village of Frankford, where he conducted a large mercantile establishment. But he retired from that work about eight years ago and purchased a farm in Sidney where he has since resided. He is survived by his wife and a family of two sons and two daughters. The sons are Frank, manager of a large lumbering business in Saskatchewan and William at home. The daughters are Misses Annie and Grace who also reside at home. Politically Mr. Weston was identified with the Conservative party, being one of its most ardent workers. In religion he was an Anglican. He was also prominent in Masonic circles. Throughout his unusually wide circle of acquaintance, Mr. Weston was held in the highest respect and esteem.

Hotelmen Open Campaign Office

The Liquor License-holders of Belleville have opened an office on Bridge street for campaign purposes.

A SPLENDID WORK FOR HUMANITY

What the Marchmont Home has Accomplished for Homeless Children and What They Hope to do in the Future-Interesting Address by Miss Birt the New Superintendent.

Miss Birt of the Marchmont Home entertained at tea on Monday afternoon. The visitors afterwards inspected the Home, which has been renovated at considerable expense. In the course of a short address Miss Birt said that her mother, Mrs. Birt, opened a home in Liverpool, England, 42 years ago, for poor children. Over 8000 children had passed through that Home, of whom 6000 had been settled in Lower Canada. The children were the fatherless or motherless bairns of seamen and dock laborers and others of the world's greatest sea-port. The funds were provided by voluntary gifts, mostly from Liverpool citizens. The outfits were largely made by ladies' sewing meetings. The cost of ship fare, rail fare, outfit and keep in the Canadian Home was about \$75 each child. In addition to this was the expense of the training they receive in the Old Country before sailing, and the supervision and help given them in Canada, until they become 18 years of age.

Miss Birt said Canadians should be interested in this work because, without the ships and the seamen, sailing out of Liverpool, the farmers of this land could not transport their produce to the market over there. 4000 British sailors are said to be lost at sea each year. The emigration of children is suspended on account of the submarine danger, but when the war is over it is anticipated that there will be many soldiers' orphans of tender years, for who kindly foster-parents may be sought in Canada. The noble help Canada is giving to the mother country will make relatives more willing to trust their little ones to its generous-hearted people.

SECOND DISCOVERY OF GAS ON MR. RAPSON'S PROPERTY

There are accumulating indications that Avondale may be the centre of an important gas field. A few days ago we reported the discovery of gas on the property of Mr. Alex. Rapson, Avondale, at the easy depth of seventy-five feet. Mr. Rapson immediately set about drilling another well. The site chosen was only thirty-five feet away from the other. Yesterday the drillers were

frustrated to strike another abundant flow of gas. The new well does not appear to interfere in the slightest with the volume of gas proceeding from the previous drill hole. The flow from the first well seems to be increasing rather than diminishing. When a match is applied to the aperture a brilliant flame shoots up fully twenty feet in height. Cheap fuel and lighting are among the early possibilities.

COUNCIL TO TAKE UP LOCAL OPTION BY-LAW MONDAY NIGHT

City Clerk Holmes and Assessors Kerr have now almost completed the scrutiny of the names on the Local Option petition presented to the City Council on Oct. 30th. They are reported to have found that 950 of the names are those of properly qualified voters. Of the 260 names remaining the majority are those of new residents who will be qualified to vote in January, but who are not "voters" in the sense required by the petition which has last year's list for its base. The total number of names appearing on the voters' list is 3,753. Of these 514 have been discovered to be duplicates, leaving a balance of 3,239 to be considered in the petition. The petition therefore, to compel action on the part of the Council requires a total of 810 names. The petition will be taken up by the Council on Monday night, and, if found satisfactory, the Local Option bylaw will be given its first and second readings.

MR. C. T. SHARPE WILL LOOK AFTER Y. M. C. A. WORK WITH SOLDIERS

Following the soldier boys wherever they go is a Y.M.C.A. representative, who is appointed by the National Council of that organization to serve the soldiers in every way possible. Along with the Battalion that arrived to take up winter quarters in town is a member of the Barriefield Y.M.C.A. staff, Mr. C. T. Sharpe who is already very well known to the men. He will make his headquarters in Belleville and supervise the work of the Y.M.C.A. for the men here and those at Picton and Napanee as well. As soon as the quarters are ready a reading and recreation room will be opened and a program similar in many ways to the one carried on at the camp all summer will be conducted. Mr. Sharpe can make use of any number of magazines and books in his work as well as articles of furniture that will help make the barracks life and the regimental recreation room a cheery place. For the present he is located at the city Y.M.C.A. and if messages are left there he will be glad to send for parcels of books or that chair or table that you are no longer using.

Military Notes

Lieut. Armstrong of Belleville is attached to the 80th Battalion. The results of the Provisional School or Infantry course held last month have been announced as follows. To the rank of Lieutenant, the following Belleville officers are mentioned—W. H. Campbell, L. H. Wrightmyer, W. S. Nurse, J. H. Palmer, 15th Regiment; Charles Hudon, C.A.S.C.; S. J. Raymond, R. Sills, V. H. Williams, 49th Regt., Belleville.

A drummer from Belleville, brought his drum with him and applied to the 80th Battalion to enlist at Barriefield on Friday. As he passes the examination he was taken on and now the 80th band has a valuable addition. The man created some amusement in front of the orderly office by playing his drum while waiting for his papers to be filled out. The strength of the 80th battalion is 1,050. There is a rumor in Barriefield camp that Lieut-Col. W. J. Brown, General Staff Officer, will be given command of one of the battalions to be formed in this division. Col. Brown has done excellent work while at the camp and if he is chosen it will be a decided loss to the headquarters staff and to the whole division. James Angrove of the 14th Regiment Band has joined for overseas service with the 80th Battalion Band.

A Difficult Job

Mr. Wm. Babcock, one of our local mechanics has been engaged by the Steel Company of Canada to carry out the very difficult and dangerous work of painting the smoke-stacks on their plant here.