

## SIR ROBERT BORDEN SPEAKS TO CANADIANS BEHIND FRENCH LINE

Stirred at Sight of Now Hardened Veterans.

### IS CHEERED BY TROOPS

Increase in Aerial Activity on Canadian Front in Past Few Days.

CANADIAN HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, via London, March 11.—(By Stewart Lyon, special correspondent of the Canadian Press.)—Canada's confidence in the valor of her sons, who represent her in the war for her own security and for the maintenance of the British Empire with unimpaired strength for safeguarding civilization against the assault of the latter day barbarians, was the keynote of the last remarks made by Premier Borden at the Canadian front.

Sir Robert was deeply stirred by the sights of the day. He had seen many

thousands of men injured to the life in the trenches, hardened veterans, while yet for the most part lads or young men. He had bidden a Nova Scotia battalion, of which he is honorary colonel, Godspeed.

Premier Sees Much. He had observed battalion practice, in which great attacking waves were being sent against the trenches and having seen other evidence of the evolution of the weapon of destruction to the point of terrible effectiveness, the premier was in a position more fully to understand the resolution of the men who at their country's call to go out into the open against them.

Among his hearers were many young university men of Toronto and McGill, members of the University Battalion, through which, from first to last, almost 5,000 men have passed. They listened with eager attention and gave Sir Robert three cheers and a tiger. Hon. J. D. Hazen, was absent in the north during these latter visits, on a pilgrimage to the cemetery where his son, who was killed at the Ypres salient, is buried. Another brigade, with troops drawn up, was addressed by Sir Robert, who spoke briefly of Canada's part in the war.

Glorious Service.

He said the Canadian people were represented in the field because they were utterly opposed to German ideas, as represented in the ravaging of Belgium, the destruction of the Lusitania, the murder of Nurse Cavell and Capt. Fryatt, and for the right of individuals and free peoples they fought. Sir Robert said he felt honored in having an opportunity to speak to them. They had done glorious service in the past, and if the occasion should arise again, he knew they would not be content to rest upon the glory of the past. When they returned to Canada a warm welcome awaited them from the home folk.

### CANADIANS WANT NEWS.

Your correspondent learns that there is an urgent desire among the troops for a large issue of the army paper which contains news by cable from Canada. Only two thousand copies are printed daily; not nearly enough to pass around the large Canadian army now in France. It is understood that the Government has the matter under consideration.

There has been a marked increase in aerial activity during the last few days along the Canadian front. Planes observing for the army report that important enemy batteries have been put out of action and the guns destroyed or injured.

### TORONTO MAN'S BODY FOUND IN DYE TANK

TORONTO, March 11.—Missing since January 25, Joseph E. Gent, 35 years of age, 324 Carlton street, was found dead yesterday afternoon in one of the dye tanks of the Standard Woolen Mills Company, East Front street. The body was discovered while employees were emptying the tanks. Gent, who was employed by the woolen company, had not been in good health.

## RUSSIANS STRUGGLE TO REGAIN HEIGHTS LOST ON MARCH 9

Counter-Attacks in Progress Northeast of Oena.

### ON THE RUMANIAN FRONT

Berlin, Reporting March 8th Battle, Says 13 Russian Officers Were Taken.

PETROGRAD, March 10.—Via London.—The Russians are continuing their efforts to regain the heights lost on the Northern Rumanian front, northwest of Oena, recently taken by the Germans. Today's official statement reports counter-attacks in progress on the part of the Russian troops in this sector. "Rumanian front: Northwest of Oena we are counter-attacking, with the object of recapturing the heights lost by us on March 8. Skirmishes by scouts and infantry firing are proceeding on the remainder of the front."

Reporting military operations on the Russian and Rumanian fronts, the official statement says:

Russians Using Gas.

"Western front: In the region of Schmalder, southeast of Toulum, and east of the Altan road, gas attacks were made by us."

"On the rest of the front reciprocal firing and skirmishes between scouts have taken place."

"Aviation: In the direction of Sven-ten our aeroplanes raided the railway stations at Baranyrog, northwest of Narecz Lake, and Smoljki, upon which bombs were dropped."

"Reciprocal firing and skirmishes between scouts are taking place on the rest of the front."

Russ Lose THIRTEEN OFFICERS.

BERLIN, via Sayville, March 11.—Reporting military operations on the Russian and Macedonian battlefronts the official statement says:

"Eastern war theatre: Temporary fighting activity limited to local sectors was revived."

"The number of prisoners taken by the storming of Magyaros height (on the Moldavian frontier) reached 13 officers and 291 men. We captured 17 machine guns and 5 mine-throwers."

The following announcement was made by the admiralty:

"German naval planes on March 6 attacked port establishments and Russian positions near the Sufina (an estuary of the Danube, in Northern Dobruja). Numerous bombs were dropped successfully. All the airplanes returned unharmed, notwithstanding the enemy's defensive fire."

DISTRICT CASUALTIES

WOUNDED

STRAFORD.

C. E. Cree.

H. S. McAule.

DIED OF WOUNDS

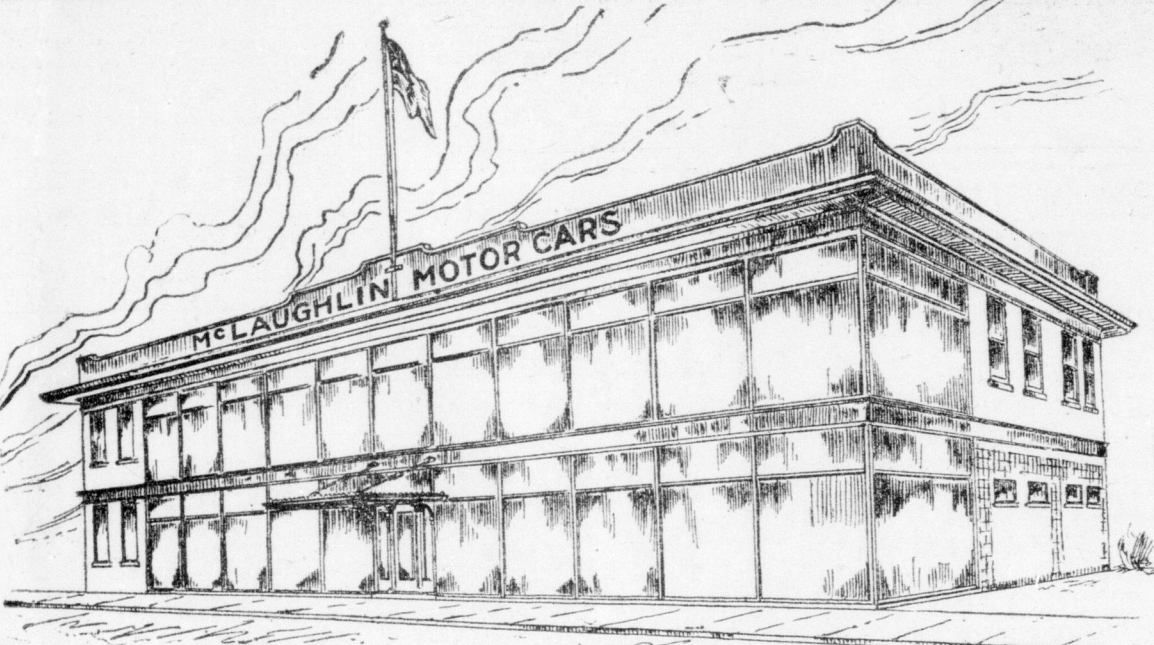
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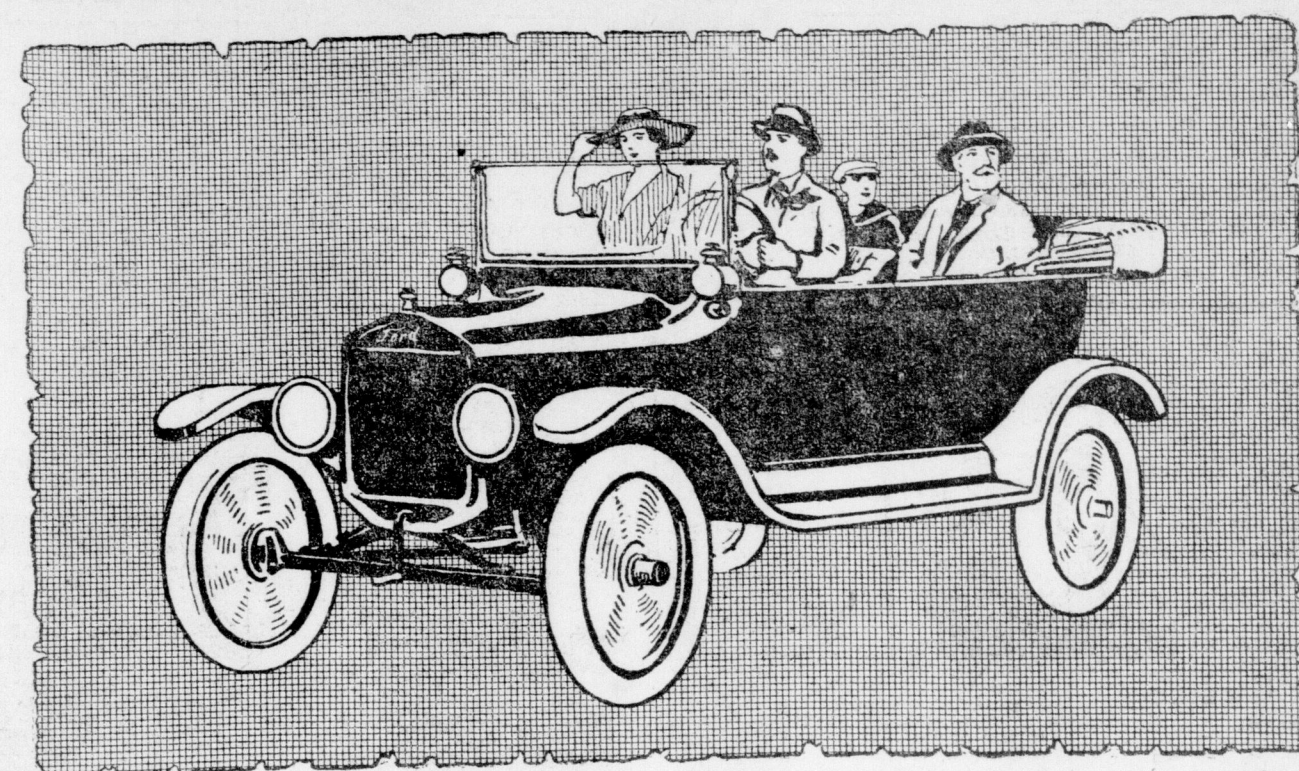
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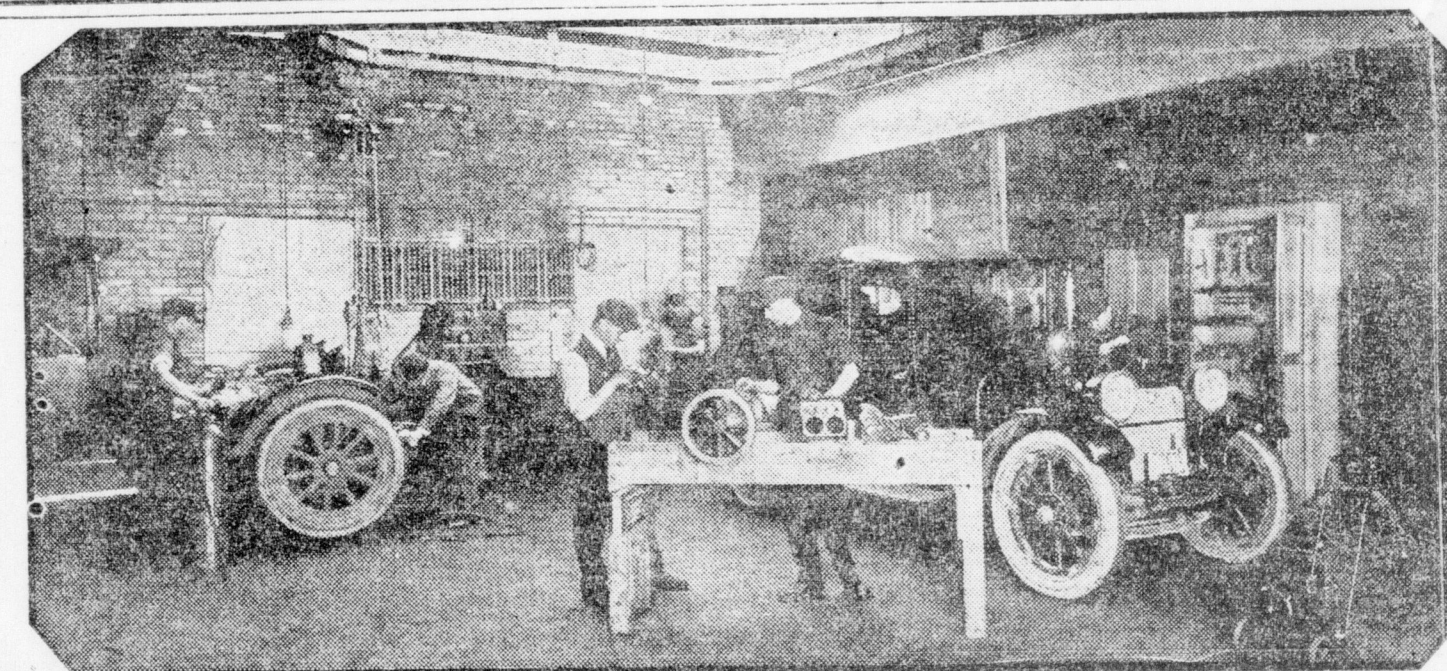
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### MEN STAND TO GUNS FOR ENTIRE VOYAGE OF LINER ADRIATIC

Great White Star Vessel Brings 278 Passengers.

### NO SUBMARINES SIGHTED

Brings From Liverpool Survivors From Numerous Torpedoed Ships.

NEW YORK, March 11.—The Associated Press sends out the following dispatch:

The White Star Line steamship Adriatic, which left Liverpool, March 1, arrived here Saturday with 278 passengers. Officers of the ship said the German submarine zone was crossed without unusual incident. Nothing resembling a submarine was sighted during the voyage, but a six-inch gun mounted on the stern of the ship and manned by experienced naval gunners was kept ready constantly for instant use. It was not left unmanned for a moment until the ship was well within American territorial waters. Before leaving port the Adriatic also was equipped with devices to shroud the ship in

smoke in case of danger.

Among the steerage passengers were 65 seamen and horsemen, many of the latter Americans, from torpedoed and wrecked vessels, and from ships purchased here and taken over to trade on the other side of the Atlantic. Some of the men were from the Leyland Line steamship Leyland, which went ashore in a fog on the South Wales coast on February 24, with a cargo of horses and grain from Newport News and afterwards broke up.

Capt. H. Takashima, master of the Japanese steamship Chinto Maru, torpedoed and sunk, January 24, when 200 miles off Gibraltar, also was on board.

Capt. Takashima is returning to Japan.

### 4,055 INVALIDED MEN IN CANADIAN HOSPITALS

Figures Issued by Military Hospitals Commission.

OTTAWA, March 11.—Figures just compiled by the military hospitals commission show that on February 25 the commission had under its care 4,055 invalided members of the Canadian expeditionary force. Of these 3,419 had been overseas, the remaining 996 being "camp men." On the date mentioned there were 1,935 in the convalescent hospitals, besides 1,222 out-patients. In the sanatorium for tuberculosis there were 506, besides 10 out-patients. In other institutions there were 212 men, besides out-patients. Totals, 2,515 patients and 1,233 out-patients.

### ENGINEER FIRMAN DIES RESULT OF G. T. R. SMASH

Allandale Railroader Had Been in Service Over Thirty Years.

BARRIE, March 11.—Without regaining consciousness after the head-on collision between a northbound Grand Trunk passenger train and a freight train, near Utterson, Friday, Engineer Ezekiel H. Firman of Allandale, of the passenger train, who sustained injuries to his head and spine, died at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon in Victoria Hospital. He had been in the Grand Trunk Railway service for more than thirty years.

### \$125 REALIZED BY PATRIOTIC PLAYLET

Parkhill Talent Scores Great Success in Amateur Production.

PARKHILL, March 11.—Friday evening the play, "The Mountain Waltz," was presented here by local talent, before one of the largest audiences of the season. The town hall was packed, and the proceeds, amounting to nearly \$125, will be used for patriotic purposes.

### FIRST WELCOMES BACK ANOTHER WOUNDED HERO

Gives Great Reception to Pte. Patrick Carroher.

FOREST, March 11.—The funeral of Maria McCordie, relict of Archibald Cameron, was held here Friday afternoon, at her late residence, Main street, to the Baptist Church, Forest. Rev. H. Elmer Green, the pastor, conducting the services. Interment was made at Beechwood Cemetery. Mr. Cameron died a few years ago.

Mrs. Cameron has two daughters in Forest, Miss Annie, who resided with her, and Mrs. Peter Campbell.

Pte. Patrick Carroher, who was wounded while in action in France, and was invalided home, arrived in town last night on the 6:20 express. He was met at the station by a large number of the citizens, and the Excelsior Band, and given a rousing welcome. Later he was taken to the home of his sister, Mrs. O. W. De Jersey. After a short rest he will go to the country, about ten miles from Forest, where his mother and one sister reside. Brandon Bros., Warwick Township, received a handsome price for a span of 2-year-old Clyde colts, by Herminius, receiving \$575 for them from a purchaser, who will send them out west. They have refused a cash offer of \$2,300 for Herminius. A yearling colt and a suckling colt owned by Dan Thompson were sold for \$400.