

THE GRAND DUKE'S FORCES

Have Reached Within Six Miles of the Important City of Bitlis.

Petrograd, Aug. 31.—Russian forces operating in the region of Lake Van, in Kurdistan, according to information received here, have pushed their way to a point six miles from Bitlis. The Russians were driven from Bitlis by the Turks on August 7.

An official statement issued today said:

In battles in the region of Ognott we took seven officers, among them a battalion commander, and 333 men. We captured two machine guns. South of Lake Nimragel the Turks, owing to our pressure, retired to a position on the heights near the entrance to Bitlis Pass.

In the direction of Mosul, in the vicinity of Neri, the enemy was pursued by our troops and dispersed. The Turks threw away arms and ammunition and left prisoners in our hands.

To-night's statement said there were no new developments on the right wing.

MR. WILLIAMS

Is in the City on Behalf of the "Organization of Resources Committee."

Mr. Morgan D. Williams is in the city in the interests of the "Organization of Resources Committee," recently established in Ontario, in connection with the war. Sir John Hendrie, Lieut.-Governor, is President, and Premier Hearst and N. W. Rowell, vice-presidents.

He will appear at a meeting of the council of the Board of Trade on Friday, and is endeavoring to interest the city council and leading citizens.

In places like Brantford, where associations already exist in the respect named, the idea is to have them appoint representatives on a central board, the delegates to include City Council, Manufacturers Association, Recruiting League, Red Cross, Board of Education, Trades and Labor Council and so on.

THE BRITISH

Have Succeeded in Straightening Out Their Line.

London, Aug. 31.—The comparative lull in the fighting on the Somme front continues, but to persistent bad weather. The last 24 hours saw no action on a large scale, but the British made some minor gains, stretching out their line across a small salient south of Martiniel. Many prisoners were taken.

The French frustrated two German efforts to attack near Bellefontaine in Lorraine, and made progress east of Fleury, in the Verdun area.

ECHO PLACE NEWS

Mrs. Myers and Miss Fan Myers, of Pittsburgh, Penn., are visiting Mrs. J. G. Tulloch, Hamilton Road.

Mr. W. W. Moore has received a letter from his son Percy, saying he has been moved from a French hospital to one in England.

Mr. and Mrs. William Jull were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. Murray Smith.

Mrs. Cope and Master Clifford Cope are the guests of Mrs. Styles for a few days.

Mrs. George Smith is enjoying a visit from her brothers, M. C. Mullen and M. J. Mullen, of Brockville.

Little Miss Maude McWilliams, of Hamilton, is staying for a few days with her aunt, Mrs. Doonan.

Mr. Harold Morris is holidaying in Hagersville.

Mr. Johnson, James Street, is spending his holidays in Toronto.

Mr. Kenneth Smith was the guest of his aunt in Ancaster this week.

Miss Violet Doonan, of Niagara, is visiting her mother for a few days.

A number from here attended the Decoration Services by the Odd-fellows on Sunday.

School begins September 5th.

A bull gored John O'Neill, aged 50, to death at his farm in Warren Township, Bradford County, Pa.

Frank Shanks, of Eckley, Pa., the champion ground hog hunter in that section, has 37 to his credit for the season.

Frank West, aged 25, one of the heirs to the Ed. West estate of \$1,500,000, was stabbed and killed near Delhi, Colo.

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PRESIDENT BUNNELL

Strikes an Optimistic and Patriotic Note

In His Address to the Municipal Association Convention.

Toronto, Aug. 31.—Municipal development is at a standstill, but the councils are defining themselves to the successful prosecution of the war, according to the many addresses delivered before the annual convention of the Municipal Association in session at the city hall yesterday.

Arthur K. Bunnell, City Treasurer of Brantford, in his Presidential address struck an optimistic and patriotic note. Referring to the war, he said:

"To-day confidence has taken the place of doubt. The mighty forces of the Empire and of her allies in men, money and material have been organized and co-ordinated. Our forces in the field are slowly but surely obtaining the mastery. Here at home financial conditions have so improved that the people from their savings have been enabled to advance to the Finance Minister of the Dominion the sum of one hundred million dollars to help meet the expenses of our volunteer armies to the scene of conflict, and a further loan is now about to be floated, and will no doubt be fully taken. Employment at remunerative wages is being general, and, all classes, for the time being at any event, are enjoying great prosperity. In the language of Lloyd George: 'We have crossed the watershed and victory is flowing in our direction, and while the end is not in sight, final victory is certain.'"

"What has Ontario done? She has a record to be proud of. The Province has enlisted forty-two per cent. of all the men enlisted in Canada, representing nearly six per cent. of its total population. To the British Red Cross subscription of October, 1915, Ontario gave upwards of one million dollars, and to the Canadian Red Cross nearly another million. Of its twelve million subscribed to the Canadian Patriotic Fund, Ontario supplied five millions."

"Too much of little things." Regarding municipal government in Canada Mr. Bunnell lifted why it is that there is still comparatively little interest taken in this great branch of public work.

"This country has become too much a land of little things," he said, "and not enough attention paid to the great opportunities. Councils take up their duties, with trivial things and petty incidents that might be looked after by the appointed officials. More attention is paid to a small appointment than to such essentials as 'Cupable Assesment,' 'Good Roads,' 'Prevention of the Pollution of Streams,' and many other important matters."

"Against we do not meet enough of the dignity of the office of Alderman or Councillor, and discussions at our Council Boards often degenerate into mere personal attacks."

"The war has exalted our vision and broadened our outlook, and there is no field that offers more opportunities than that connected with municipal government. Canada has taken upon herself an immense burden of debt, both nationally, provincially and municipally, and the present war is adding to it by millions every month. It is a country of great resources, but we must see to it that conditions are such that every man has an opportunity of obtaining a living for himself and his children."

"Steadily driving forward, the Roumanians have extended their offensive until now the battle rages from Orsova, opposite the westernmost boundary of Rumania, all the way to Bogosarbia, a frontal zone that is 450 miles long."

"The piercing of the mountain passes makes it possible for the Roumanians to flank the Austrian defenders along practically the whole border line. This will compel the Austrian retreatment to a new line in Transylvania. It is extremely probable that such a retreatment has been effected already."

"Flannels, Flannellettes, Blankets, and all sort of warm things in full supply at moderate prices, at Crompton's, now."



President Bunnell.

RUSSIAN MOUNTAIN

Have Secured Mountain Passes at Three Points.

London, Aug. 31.—The Roumanians have forced the mountain passes guarding Hungary at three points on the long battle line and are sweeping into Transylvania before the onslaught which at one place has penetrated 10 miles inside the border, the Austrians retreating. The Roumanians have taken 700 prisoners.

Kronstadt, a frontier town, six miles from the border, has been captured in the push northward along the Adige and the Brenta. They shelled Ala, Arasero and Seghe. Extend Lines

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