

FRANCO-BRITISH FORCES CONTINUE THE SOMME DRIVE
Enthusiastic Welcome Accorded the 215th Battalion Back to the City

AMERICA IS BEHIND ALLIED OFFENSIVE ON SOMME FRONT

So Declares German Journal in Anti-American Propaganda - U. S. Called Vampire Sucking Both Gold and Blood From Europe

By Courier Leased Wire. New York, Oct. 16.—A cable from London to the Herald says: Anti-British propaganda is now raging in the German press as never before, and also for purposes of propaganda, the Prussians are issuing at Amsterdam a Deutsche-Wochen-Zeitung, in the latest issue of which there is an article full of fierce invective against the United States. Were it not for the fact that America is behind the Somme allies of the armies, they allege they would never be able to betat the Prussians. Here is what the Deutsche Wochen-Zeitung says: "On the Somme our best and bravest are bleeding, they also bleed the Meuse and on the Aisne. An unparalleled expenditure of shells is turning the trenches and their connections into heaps of rubbish. Who supplies them? Who at bottom, is waging this war? If you ask the mourning mother, 'What has robbed you of your son, your pride and your hope?' Her reply is: 'The lust for profit of the American millionaires.' "There is a country whose war aim is quite clear—America, with her object of becoming the sole world banker by delivering immense war supplies. "Behind the Somme front stands an enemy whom we cannot reach.

Her war is a one-sided war against which we are unable to retaliate. She is the vampire who sucked the blood from Europe's arteries, because she is able to suck in at the same time Europe's gold. CHOLERA SUSPECTS. By Courier Leased Wire. Port Townsend, Wash., Oct. 16.—Thirteen cholera suspects have been found among the 150 steerage passengers landed at the Diamond Point quarantine station from the Japanese liners Panama Maru and Manila Maru, which arrived from the Orient last week. The suspects were placed in isolation today pending final bacteriological examination to determine definitely whether they are affected with cholera germs. Careful examination of all steerage passengers arriving from the Orient was ordered several weeks ago by the government upon the outbreak of the disease in Japan. Who are the great twin powers who stand behind the Queen? After evading death twice within a year when his ships were destroyed, one by a German submarine and the other by ice in the White Sea, Eugene B. Deak, sea captain, died suddenly from heart disease at his home in Philadelphia, Pa.

THE KING AND QUEEN AT ALDERSHOT



King George, with Queen Mary and Princess Mary recently attended a review of troops at Aldershot and a military fete in aid of the Aldershot Military Charities. Photo shows Their Majesties with two aides.

HEARTY AND ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME IS EXTENDED BY BRANTFORD TO 215TH BATT.

Second Brant County Regiment Returns to the City For Winter and is Met by Demonstration of Most Cordial Nature

In the presence of one of the largest gatherings ever assembled in the city, the 215th Battalion, home for the winter from Niagara Camp, detrained at the T. H. and B. station here this afternoon, being accorded a reception, which for hearty cordiality and sincerity has never been excelled, if, indeed, ever equalled, in the days of the present war.

BROKE CAMP.

At an early hour in the morning the Battalion was astir at Niagara, and with such zeal and enthusiasm was the work of breaking camp entered into by all that at 10 o'clock the special train waiting at the camp pulled out of Niagara-on-the-Lake with its full convoy aboard, and eager for the homeward trip.

Word of the journey was sent at almost every stopping point on the way to the local depot of the 215th, so that an accurate knowledge of the progress made was obtained, and the time for the Battalion's arrival here fixed definitely. From noon, however, the crowds were gathering at the station and all along the route to be taken by the Battalion. Every age and class in Brantford was well represented in the cosmopolitan throng which gathered anxious with one accord to see the return of Brant County's Second Battalion.

THE ARRIVAL.

Shortly after two o'clock, amid the ringing of bells and the blowing of whistles, as requested by the officials, accompanied by the cheers of the assemblage the train bearing the 215th drew into the station. In good order the battalion detrained, in full marching order, and headed the procession from the T. H. and B. station to the Market Square.

THE RECEPTION.

Here, in accordance with arrangements capably made by Lt.-Col. H. F. Leonard, City Clerk, were gathered together the Mayor, and Aldermen of the City Council, together with other civic dignitaries and officials. Addresses of welcome to the Battalion were delivered by a number of speakers, the soldiers being assured of every comfort and courtesy in the city during the winter.

LUNCHEON.

Following the civic reception, an adjournment was made to the mess rooms of the battalion, where a tasty luncheon was served by the ladies of the Women's Patriotic League, who have ever been prominent in the work of administering to the comforts of the soldiers of Brantford and Brant County. Tonight the battalion assumes the quarters in the Armories occupied last winter by the 84th Battalion.

DEPARTURE OF DUKE AND PARTY WAS VERY INFORMAL

Vice Regal Party Went Quietly Aboard Steamer, and Departed With No Public or Military Display

By Courier Leased Wire. Halifax, N. S., Oct. 16.—The departure from Canada of Their Royal Highnesses, the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and the Princess Patricia, was remarkable for the entire absence of formality and display, this being in accordance with the wishes of His Royal Highness. Nothing more informal than the closing incident of the Duke's distinguished regime in Canada could be imagined. His Royal Highness and party arrived in Halifax by special train, which was quietly run direct into the big concrete shed at No. 2 pier. There was no military display attracted no public attention as the interest of what spectators were about, was centered upon the operations of

changing position of a large ocean steamer, which had been moved to an adjacent dock. His Royal Highness, who was in khaki, having shaken hands with the officers, accompanied by his staff, and the royal and military officers, at once ascended to the upper deck of the big concrete shed, which was entirely devoid of decorations, the only touch of coloring imparted to the scene being a couple of flags wound around the rail of the gangway. At the latter a guard of honor of the Royal Marine artillery, was drawn up and their royal salute was the last official hood-by accorded to their Royal Highnesses on Canadian soil.

British Gain in Macedonia

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Oct. 16, 12.09 p.m.—British forces on the Struma front in Macedonia are active on the flank of their line, east of the river, and have pushed their outposts further northeast in the direction of Demir-Hissar, according to to-day's official announcement on the operations of the Saloniki army. The Village of Bursuk, eight miles southwest of Demir-Hissar, has been entered by British patrols, who drove back Bulgarian detachments.

BOOK PAPER Can Be Made from Hemp Hurds.

By Courier Leased Wire. Washington, Oct. 16.—Specialists of the department of agriculture are convinced that a satisfactory quality of book paper can be made from hemp hurds, the waste stalk fragments produced in preparing hemp fibre for the market. A report on the subject issued to-day, says that commercial tests made in co-operation with a paper manufacturer, demonstrated that hurds can be reduced chemically to paper stock by the soda process under practices only slightly different from those employed for the manufacture of pulp from popular wood. Somewhat was necessary. At present about five thousand tons of hurds are produced from hemp grown in various states. This is not sufficient, the report states, to justify the erection of a pulp mill or the transportation to existing mills, but it is expected that the available tonnage will be increased. The view is expressed, that the time may come, owing to the increasing cost of wood pulp and the increasing acreage of hemp grown in this country when the use of hurds in the paper making industry will be profitable.

THE PROBS

Toronto, Oct. 16.—The weather conditions are now much disturbed throughout the Dominion, and a storm of considerable energy is moving eastward across Lake Superior. Forecasts: Winds, increasing to gales from southwest, rain to-night. Tuesday, strong northwest winds and colder.

WEEK'S BRITISH CASUALTIES

5,600 Odd Killed, and Many Wounded; Large Number of Officers.

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Oct. 16.—(New York Sun cable)—In the last week 5,372 British soldiers and 313 officers, a total of 5,685 were killed in the fighting on all the fronts, where there are British troops, the war office announces. The total wounded and missing last week was 24,994, the war office announces. Of this number 1,023 were officers.

A CRISIS REACHED

In Connection with Strike at Bayonne.

By Courier Leased Wire. Bayonne, N.J., Oct. 16.—A crisis in the strike of about 11,000 workers in the oil plants and other manufacturing plants at Constable Hook was reached to-day when the Tidewater Oil Company opened its doors and invited the strikers to return to work. A meeting of the 3,000 skilled workers who claimed they were forced to join the strike against their desire, was held this morning. The men planned to march back to the plant of the Standard Oil Company in a body in the belief that their action would break the strike. Another meeting of those who have taken a most active part in the strike, was held to decide whether it should be declared off. City authorities say the violence which has resulted in the killing of three persons and wounding of a large number, is ended. A large number of policemen were sent to the strikers' meeting to-day.

FRENCH PENETRATED GERMAN POSITIONS.

Paris, Oct. 16, Noon.—Continuing their attacks on the Somme front last night, the French penetrated German positions at Saily-Saillisel and Saillisel, the War Office announced to-day. They occupied houses on the edge of the road to Bapaume. The Germans made a violent counter attack and the fighting is still in progress.

COL. H. COCKSHUTT

Makes Another Very Handsome Donation. Cheque for \$2,500 to Y. M. C. A. for Privileges Extended the 215th.

Col. Harry Cockshutt has added to his previous generosity on behalf of the Y. M. C. A. and the 215th battalion by another very handsome contribution explained in the following letter:— Mr. Geo. Wedlake, Hon. Pres. Y. M. C. A.: Enclosed you will find my cheque for \$2,500 to cover the privilege of membership for the officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the 215th Battalion while they are resident in the city. It is also understood that any other soldiers in khaki, either going to, or returning from the front, are also to have the privileges extended to them. Wishing the Association every success, I remain, Yours faithfully, H. COCKSHUTT.

GROCKERS ATTENTION

An important meeting of the Grockers' Association will be held in K. of P. Hall, on Tuesday evening, Oct. 17. Come and see how smart little Eavesdropper is at getting ahead of the pompous Sir Executive.

FOOD DICTATORSHIP TO BE ESTABLISHED FOR HUNGARY

Riots Take Place in in Budapest and Other Places, Citizens Demanding Food and Storming Public Buildings

By Courier Leased Wire. London, Oct. 16.—(Montreal Gazette)—The Morning Post's correspondent at Budapest sends the following despatch, under date of October 8: "The appointment of a food dictator for Hungary is in contemplation. The government is trying to find a suitable person for the post, but nobody appears anxious to undertake to dictate with regard to food that has no existence. The order will give an idea of how things are managed in Hungary. "So far as food stuffs are concerned, I need only quote a few items at hazard out of this morning's newspapers. It is reported that in Ujpest, one of the suburbs of Budapest, workmen stormed the town hall last night after waiting in vain for hours outside the shops to get a pound or two of potatoes. They broke the windows in the building, assaulted the burgomaster and police when they tried to restore order. Eventually the women were driven out of the place by a dozen mounted policemen. "At the Budapest town hall Transylvanian refugees made a similar disturbance. The police had to disperse a crowd of refugees who went to the town hall to get their daily allowance of two croner to buy food. "They waited over three hours and at length their patience exhausted, rioting began. Windows were broken and a number of people were assaulted. A large number of rioters, all women, were arrested. They said they could not buy if they got the money, after eleven in the morning, by which time the shops would have sold out their scanty stocks. This delay in payment meant that they would be without food for the next 24 hours. "Here is another picture among the reports in to-day's newspapers: "One big department store on Andrassy street, advertised that they would sell sugar from ten to eleven o'clock in the morning and every customer could buy half a pound. People began to gather before the shop long before the time indicated and when the shop opened, thousands of people were standing on the pavement, knocking up the road all around the place. The mob rushed inside the place, and there was an indescribable scene of confusion so that military assistance had to be summoned to save the establishment from being looted and destroyed. "The people rushed for sugar and other provisions, took all they could lay their hands on, only to have them torn out of their arms by others before they could get clear to the place."

GERMANY ALREADY MAKES PLANS FOR BUSINESS AFTER THE STRUGGLE

Preparations for Transition of Industries to a Peace Basis are Made—Special Commissioners Appointed.

By Courier Leased Wire. Berlin, Oct. 15, via London, Oct. 16.—The German Government has already made plans for the transition of Germany's industries from a war to a peace basis. Dr. Karl Helfferich, the vice-chancellor, yesterday addressed the budget committee of the reichstag at length on the situation, saying the transition would be made under the government's participation and supervision. A special imperial commissioner has been appointed to take charge of the task. Attached to the interior department of the ministry he will be assisted by a large advisory committee of men selected from all departments of business, with the function of examining and giving expert opinion on all proposed economic measures. He will recommend methods for mobilizing credits, enlarging and distributing labor supply and substituting men for women and girls now doing man's work, and replenishing stocks of raw materials. Dr. Helfferich indicated that the committee would have some sort of control over imports, with a view to keeping foreign exchange rates within safe limits, so as to protect the gold basis and Germany's currency system. He further said that the committee was not intended as a permanent organization, but that it would disband as soon as its task had been performed. The representatives of all the parties expressing themselves as in accord with Dr. Helfferich's program. Only the Socialists demanded that many of the organizations and methods created for war purposes must be permanently retained.

and to return to the city, but not for long. Resolved to bear his part in the fray, he applied for a commission more upon regaining health and strength, and became attached to the 36th battalion, commanded by Lt.-Col. E. C. Ashton. Since the arrival of that unit in England, he was drafted to the front, where he received his wounds. Expressions of hearty sympathy will be extended by all his numerous friends, and countless wishes for a safe recovery will be tendered Lt. Dickson and his relatives. W. R. Brown, Pte. Wm. R. Brown, this morning reported wounded, enlisted in the 76th battalion through the local recruiting office of the Dufferin Rifles. He is 24 years of age and married, residing at 45 Aberdeen avenue, and served for a year in the Dufferin Rifles. R. G. Hepden, Pte. Reg. G. Hepden, listed as wounded in the casualty list this morning, enlisted and went overseas with the 58th battalion. His home is in the city at 37 Grey St. W. Slattery, Pte. Wm. Slattery, late of the 84th battalion and now of the 75th, is at present wounded, both in London. (Continued on page six.)

LT. F. DICKSON BADLY WOUNDED

Popular Local Officer of the 36th, Receives Multiple Injuries.

OTHER CASUALTIES. Brantford Pays Heavy Price For Recent British Victories.

Suffering from multiple grenade wounds of a serious nature, Lt. Frank Dickson of this city, was admitted on Oct. 10th to the Duchess of Minister's Hospital at Latouque, France.

Such was the tenor of a telegram received yesterday by Mr. W. Roberts of 151 1-2 Brock street, father-in-law of Lt. Dickson. The message was addressed to Mrs. Dickson, who is at present residing in England. Lt. Dickson bore deservedly the reputation of being one of the most popular officers ever to leave Brantford. Previous to enlistment he held the position of principal of King Edward school, in which capacity he won the respect and esteem of all with whom he came in contact. The call of duty summoned him, however, and unhesitatingly relinquished his position he joined the 19th battalion here in October of 1914. During the unit's stay at Toronto during the winter, illness compelled Lt. Dickson to resign his commission

GERMANS REPULSED BY THE BRITISH.

London, Oct. 16, 12.33.—The Germans last night made a heavy attack on the newly-won positions of the British in the vicinity of Somme front. "The War Office announced to-day that the Germans were repulsed with heavy loss.

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