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26TH CONGRATULATED BY GENERAL TURNER FOR GOOD WORK DONE

Letter From Colonel McAvity Will Give St. John New Pride in Its Soldiers—Sergt. Frank Cotter Distinguished Himself

The following is an extract from a letter from Lt.-Col. McAvity of the 26th Battalion, written on Sunday, Oct. 17: "We got out of the trenches on Friday night, midnight, not without loss of several men, all of whom I buried before leaving for here. This bivouac or billet is several miles from the trenches, and is only a paper shack. Three bell tents for headquarters 26th. Cold, wet weather. Almost everyone wears rubber boots all the while when not sleeping. General health of all ranks is high. The men are as game as ever, just looking for trouble, which, from what I see right along, isn't hard to get into. "My regiment has been congratulated by Gen. Turner in general orders for the manner in which it carried out orders regarding the crater attack on Wednesday night. The attack was called a reconnaissance in force. I was ordered to convey to all ranks his thanks for their good and efficient work. "We are going to have a church service this morning, 10.30, by Rev. E. B. Hooper, the first service since coming to France. He, the Padre, volunteered and is coming at considerable exertion from where he is attached, several miles away, at an ambulance station. I believe all ranks are anxious to go to church once more and, though a dirty morning, there will be a good turn out, I am sure, everybody doing their duty willingly. Well, all New Brunswick has got to do is to send along men."

Col. McAvity speaks glowingly of the gallantry of Major Brown and Sergt. Ryder, and refers especially to the fact that Sergt. Cotter distinguished himself in the action which caused his death.

SOLDIERS WRITE OF THE GREAT CHARGE

The story of the charge of the 26th of the casualties among his comrades and of his own remarkable escape, is told by Private W. D. Stewart in a letter to his wife, residing in Clarence street. He says: "We have had a warm time this trip. I was in the thick of it and just got out safe by the skin of my teeth. It was as hot as ever I want to see it. We got quite a lot of casualties this time, but No. 10 platoon was lucky, as we were the only platoon that had none at all. Four of us were in the thickest of it and came out without a scratch. It was terrible to see the poor fellows killed and wounded. They asked for volunteers to bring in the wounded and I was one of them to go out and help bring them in." Arthur Ingram. "In a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Ingram, 40 Forrest street, Private Arthur Ingram of the 26th tells how he was wounded in the famous charge of the picket company. By good fortune he escaped with only slight wounds and says he hopes to be around again in a week or so. He was hit three times in the right leg, but had a narrow escape from more serious injury or death, as his smoke helmet, which was hung on his side, was blown to pieces. The censorship prevents him telling the details of their charge, but he says they succeeded in driving the Germans out of their trenches and capturing them. He mentions Harold Delaney from Freeport, a chum of his, who was wounded slightly in the head, and speaks with sorrow of those who died while taking part in the charge. At the time of writing, Ingram was in a first aid dressing station, and says he was getting on well towards recovery. S. L. T. HARRISON GOES TO WAR; BUSY EAST SOLD

Moncton, Oct. 30.—S. L. T. Harrison, formerly of St. John, will leave soon to take a course in Halifax to qualify as an officer. The Busy East magazine, in which he had the controlling interest, has been sold to a company in which Hanford Blackney of Moncton, and William Farrer of Rockland, N. B., hold the control of the stock.

TO TAKE COURSE Several local men will leave tomorrow for Halifax to take a course of instruction to qualify for officers in the infantry. They have been attached provisionally to the 62nd and other regiments. Included are A. P. Allingham, H. Lonsberry, Ormond Perley and Lieut. H. L. Nixon. Lieut. Nixon has recently qualified after having taken a military course in Halifax. He holds a certificate in signalling besides the infantry, and is now returning to take a course in machine gun instruction.

THE 6th IN FRANCE The present address of members of the 6th Mounted Rifles in 6th Regiment, 2nd Brigade, Canadian Mounted Rifles, Can. Army Corps, British Expeditionary Force, France.

NEW POLICEMAN William Gorman was this morning sworn in as a member of the local police force.

Kills Five and Probably Ends Own Life

Boise, Idaho, Oct. 30.—William Cameron, mail carrier between Pichao and Carey, Idaho, shot and killed his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Adams; his brother-in-law, James Adams, his daughter, aged eighteen months, his wife, and shot himself in the head, at Carey last night. Cameron was still alive at last report, but there was no prospect for his recovery. Cameron's wife recently started proceedings for divorce.

Sir Charles Tupper Dead Last of the Fathers of Confederation Passes Away in London At Age of 94

Ottawa, Oct. 30.—Sir Charles Tupper died this morning in London. Word came to Sir Robt. Borden from Hon. G. H. Fugatey. The Right Hon. Sir Charles Tupper, C.M.G., eminent Canadian conservative statesman, and the last of the fathers of federation, was born in Amherst, N. S., on July 2, 1821. He was educated at Horton Academy, graduated in medicine at Edinburgh University, and returning to Nova Scotia began practice in his native town, and soon reaching eminence in his profession was president of the Canadian Medical Association, 1867-70. Entering the Nova Scotia legislature in 1855, as member for the Cumberland district, he identified himself with all the important legislation of the period and was provincial secretary, 1858-60. While in England, in 1868, on business connected with the Intercolonial railway, he conferred with a number of prominent statesmen regarding the project for confederating the provinces of British North America. He was prime minister of Nova Scotia, 1864-67, during which period he passed the free school law, and after the union of the Canadian provinces, he sat in the Dominion House of Commons until 1870, when he entered the cabinet as president of the council. He filled the post of minister of internal revenue, 1872-74, was

minister of public works, 1874-76, and minister of railways and canals, 1876-84. He was knighted in 1876, and in 1888 was created a baronet for his services in connection with the Peace Treaty at Washington. He was high commissioner for Canada in London, 1884-87, and after a year as secretary of finance in the Dominion government, was recalled to London as high commissioner in 1888. In January, 1894, he entered the Ottawa administration as secretary of state, and later succeeded Sir Mackenzie Bowell as prime minister of Canada. His party being defeated in June on the Manitoba School Bill, he resigned and at the assembling of the Canadian parliament in August following, became leader of the opposition, while Sir Wilfrid Laurier succeeded in the premiership. Sir Charles was a great campaigner, and a forceful, and at times, eloquent public speaker. Since his retirement he has resided in England. SIR CHARLES TUPPER

CAPT. GERALD FURLONG WRITES FROM TRENCHES Has a Perilous Job But is Glad He Offered—A Word to His Friends

Mrs. Kathleen Furlong Schmidt has received a letter from her brother, Capt. Gerald Furlong, in Flanders, in which he relates most interestingly some of his experiences within 200 yards of the German trenches. Captain Furlong performs the rather perilous duty of collecting, sorting out and packing the personal effects of men having fallen on the battlefield. He writes that it is perfectly wonderful how the men maintain their cheerful mood throughout the great stress of strife and especially when they are brought in from the field with wounds. He has not yet heard a kick from a trench. In fact, the fellows seem to be out of another in making light of their injuries and are never heard to complain. Capt. Furlong wishes to be kindly remembered to his St. John friends and says on his word they may be forwarded to relatives. While thus engaged he has several times heard the whistle of "Krupp confectionery" around his ears. The St. John boy has also been assisting in the censoring of letters being sent from the zone of battle. He writes that it is perfectly wonderful how the men maintain their cheerful mood throughout the great stress of strife and especially when they are brought in from the field with wounds. He has not yet heard a kick from a trench. In fact, the fellows seem to be out of another in making light of their injuries and are never heard to complain.

STUCK BY LIGHTNING IN THIS MORNING'S STORM

Digby, N. S., Oct. 30.—A house owned by George Havery at Acadiaville, was struck by lightning this morning and destroyed by fire. The loss is partially covered.

Steamer Clara, with old iron from Port LaTour for St. John, harbored here on account of last night's storm and is still in port. Also schooner Maple Leaf and Steamer Grace L.

GUARDING THE FOOD SUPPLY IN GERMANY London, Oct. 30.—German newspapers publish the schedule prepared to restrict consumption of meat as follows:—Mondays and Thursdays—restaurants shall offer no meat, fish, fowl or dishes cooked in lard, bacon or drippings. Tuesdays and Fridays—butchers shall sell no raw or cooked meats. Pork shall not be sold. Thus far the federal council has placed no restrictions on cooking of meats in homes.

BOTHAS WINS CASE St. Johnsbury, South Africa, Oct. 30.—The jury in the case brought by Premier Botha against a Nationalist candidate for parliament in the recent election, named Mannik, rendered a verdict against the defendant, today. Mannik will be sentenced to imprisonment for three months, or to pay a fine of \$200. The case will be appealed.

WAS AROUND The steamer Champlain grounded yesterday near Glenwood, on the St. John River, but was pulled off by the steamer Victoria and arrived at Indiantown safely last evening.

KING IMPROVES

London, Oct. 30.—King George, who was injured on Thursday while reviewing troops in the field, continues to improve. An official statement issued today says: "The King's condition shows further improvement. There has been some sleep and the patient is calm. Temperature and pulse are normal."

PIEPSHOT MILL, SALMON RIVER, BURNED DOWN

The big saw mill of the Peipsicot Lumber Company at Salmon River, St. John county, was destroyed by fire last evening with a loss roughly estimated at \$20,000. The fire was confined to the mill. The alarm from the mill sounded at 9:45 o'clock, and almost simultaneously the mill seemed to burst into flames at both ends and in the middle. In fifteen minutes it was practically destroyed. There is nothing to indicate how the fire started. When it was seen that there was no hope for the mill every effort was concentrated on saving the surrounding property. In the immediate vicinity were the conveyer, a barge, huge piles of lumber and the bulwarks of a cog mill village but all were saved by the energetic efforts of the men. It is believed that the value of the property destroyed was about \$20,000, but information regarding this and also insurance is kept by the New York office. Apart from the direct damage there will be heavy loss in the interruption of the work and it will be a serious thing for the 100 to 150 men who have been employed there, and their families.

LONDON PAPERS' VIEWS OF NEW YORK TRIBUNE EDITORIAL ON WAR

New York, Oct. 30.—A cable to the Tribune from London says: "The New York Tribune's editorial on 'Germany is beaten' has been called here, and is given considerable prominence. The Daily Express says: 'It has always been extraordinarily difficult for people in this country to obtain a clear view of the course of the struggle as it presents itself to the important judgment of neutrals. With one exception, the editorial in the Tribune is a public from the first has been kept very fully informed. It is represented admirably in the editorial style and cogent article which has just appeared in the New York Tribune.' The Daily Express says: 'We are unable to accept the optimistic conclusion of the New York Tribune that Germany is already beaten. We have learned too much of the skill and determination of the enemy to allow ourselves again to believe in comfortable illusions. Nevertheless we may go so far with the friendly American critic as to agree that there is an increasing assurance that Germany will assuredly be beaten, unless we continue to blunder or fall in our purpose.'"

AT RATE OF NEARLY TWO MILES A MINUTE

New York, Oct. 30.—What is said to be the fastest speed ever made on a track was attained yesterday over the Sheepshead Bay speedway, when Ralph De Palma drove his car one lap in 1 minute 24.10 seconds, an average of about 116 miles an hour. The best American record average was 111 miles by Barney Oldfield.

ANOTHER ST. JOHN SOLDIER PROMOTED

Sergt. Harold Ferris of the North End has been promoted to quartermaster-sergeant of B. Squadron, C. M. R. in France. George Payne, of Broad street, who held the position, had trouble with his leg and was in hospital. Q. M. Sergt. Ferris is very popular.

NEWFOUNDLAND CASUALTIES

St. John's, Nfld., Oct. 30.—Friday's casualty list of the Newfoundland regiment follows:—Frank Roberts, St. Johns dead of wounds. Duchanan, Freshford, dead of dysentery. Lance Corporal Walter Tuckey, St. Johns, dead of wounds. The following are ill of dysentery, but none dangerously: Lawrence Barnes, Ray Lennox, James Cooper, Henry Tilley all of St. Johns; Ray Spencer, Fortune Harbor; Alfred Bonner, Hearts Content; Pearce Bidout, Grand Falls.

FOR REV. CAPT. KUHRING

During the last week four large boxes have been shipped to Halifax for the Rev. Capt. Kuhring as a Christmas remembrance from members of his congregation. Capt. Kuhring is a chaplain of No. 3 Canadian Stationary Hospital at Lemnos Island in the Mediterranean, where there are at present 800 patients. The gifts will be shared by the wounded, helping to make a happy Christmas for them all and bring to him memories of the thoughtful kindness of his congregation in his old home, now so far away.

ELEVEN DEATHS

At the offices of the board of health this week eleven deaths were recorded. The causes included cholera infantum, typhoid, enterocolitis, pneumonia, heart disease, lobar pneumonia, babes hemorrhage and accidental burning, hemorrhage and accidental burning.

Germans Bid For Aid of Roumania

French Make Progress on the Western Front and Repulse Another German Attack

London, Oct. 30.—A despatch to the morning Post from Berne, Switzerland, says: "Word comes from Berlin that Germany is making a bid for Roumanian support, by offering her a loan on condition of her marching against Bessarabia, with a guarantee of this Russian province, if she succeeds in conquering it." Copenhagen, Oct. 30.—The Berlin Tageblatt says that large contingents of Russian troops have set sail from Sebastopol for the Bulgarian coast. OS WESTERN FRONT Paris, Oct. 30.—French progress last night at Bois En Hache and the repulse of a German attack this morning near Souchez, are set forth in the official announcement given out by the French War Office this afternoon. Bulgarians Claim Successes Amsterdam, Oct. 30.—(Via London)—An official communication from Sofia, dated October 27, says: "After four days of obstinate fighting, our troops have defeated on the entire front the Serbian army operating in the Timok Valley and before Pirot. The Serbians are now in a general retreat in a western direction. We are energetically pursuing them. "We already are in possession of Negotin, Brza Palanka, Zajecar, Knjaevale, and numerous villages in the Timok Valley. On the front we have captured sixteen guns and a great quantity of ammunition and provisions." ITALY AND THE BALKANS London, Oct. 30.—Dr. E. J. Dillon discussing Italy's attitude says he thinks if Great Britain, France and Russia agree that for the moment, the military centre of gravity is in the Balkan peninsula and present the matter to the Italian government, in the correct perspective the Italian troops will join the other allies in fighting the Austro-Germans, Bulgars and Turks.

RECEPTION FOR NEW SOLDIERS ON TONIGHT

Men of St. John should not forget the reception to be tendered our newest soldiers of the 104th Battalion in Queen's Park tonight. The soldiers are entitled to bring their friends. A pleasant evening is assured with a mixed programme, some bright speeches and refreshments. Saturday night is usually a special occasion with the men folks and tonight's affair should attract a large number. The Sunday afternoon meeting in the Opera House will be addressed by Sergt. and comrade who came through such marvelous experiences. Mr. Russell, of the Partello Stock Company, a South African veteran, and an Australian, will sing a song of his own composition and Walter Brindle will also render a vocal number. R. G. Halsey will preside. President Falconer's visit on Monday is creating a great deal of interest. This eminent educationalist is known Canada-wide for his oratory and learned discourses. Therefore, his talk upon the 104th is the probable outcome of it is assuring him of a packed auditorium. The lecture will be given in the Knights of Columbus Hall, Colongue street. William M. Jarvis will preside and Miss Bichuda Thompson and Gerason S. Mayes will sing.

WALTER COOK HOME FROM WAR

Dryden and Gorman Did Not Arrive This Morning A large gathering of people was assembled at the Union Depot this morning at eleven o'clock to greet soldiers returned from the war zone. One returned, Private Walter Cook, son of Joseph Cook, blind organist of Brasada street. He has a slight limp in his right leg, following injuries received in the war. Otherwise he appeared in good health. Pie Cook was given a hearty reception, and he was driven to his home in an automobile by C. B. Lockhart, Corporal Joseph Dryden and Pte. Gorman did not arrive today. No definite word had been received from either of them, though some have an idea that they will be in the city on tonight's I. C. R. train. The employees of James Pender, Ltd., will entertain James Gorman at a dinner at Bond's on Tuesday evening. The mayor and one or two special guests will also be present to do honor to the gallant soldier.

DUFFERIN ROLL OF HONOR

Since the beginning of the war, the following employees of the Dufferin Hotel have gone on active service. Their names and battalions are: Robert Ross, 12th; Cliff Garrison, 26th; George Dyson, 26th; Edward Brand, Amm. Col.; Harry Lockhart, 26th; Tom Murray, 40th; Horace Richardson, 26th; Ottawa; Charles Lancaster, 26th; Harold Miett, 55th; Robt. McKay, 64th; Albert Bennett, 104th; Joseph Cleary, 64th; George Winfield, Siege Battery; Lucien Comeau, 104th; Harold Murphy, 104th.

SIX MORE TODAY

Recruiting still goes on with a steady, encouraging swing in the city. Six more were accepted for the 104th battalion today, making about 150 recruits in three days. Today's volunteers are: William J. Mabee, Henry Mullett, George Moseley, Joe Ross, George F. McLeod and John Webb. The men who have signed within the last few days will be sent to Sussex on Monday night and it is planned to give them a hearty send-off.

KING'S DAUGHTERS

The opening session of the New Brunswick conference of the King's Daughters conference was held in the Dufferin rooms, Chipman Hill, this morning. A large number of members attended and unanimously re-elected Miss Ella Thorne of Fredericton to the presidency. The constitution for the branch were then adopted, after which they arose to meet again this afternoon.

"Victory" is Whole Policy of New French Government

London, Oct. 30.—The Times publishes the following from Premier Briand, head of the new French cabinet: "I desire to declare emphatically to our allies, as well as to our enemies, that the change in the ministry is in no way a sign of change of policy. The policy of France is summed up in the word 'Victory.'" Paris, Oct. 30.—The new French cabinet is greeted by the press of Paris with sympathetic encouragement. The chief note is a demand for prompt, effective action for "government which governs," independently of party considerations and solely with a view to victory." The figure relies upon the admirable qualities of Premier Briand and the good fortunes of France."

POLICE COURT

Leonard Kingston and George DeForest, under arrest on suspicion of stealing a saw from Walter Wilson, were remanded in the police court today. The former asked to have witnesses summoned to prove his innocence. The case will be taken up Monday morning.

FINANCE WAR FOR THREE YEARS EASILY

Windsor, Ont., Oct. 30.—Sir Edmund Walker of Toronto, president of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, opened his Windsor branch this afternoon. He said that Canada was well able to finance its part in the war for another three years without imposing unduly heavy increases in taxation.

SOLDIER DIES ON THE WAY FROM CAMP

St. Catharines, Ont., Oct. 30.—The first casualty in the trek of the 4,000 men from Niagara to Toronto occurred yesterday, when Corporal Louis Fontaine, a Hamilton bugler of the 75th died of uremic poisoning.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service. Synopsis—The disturbance which was centred in the Ottawa Valley yesterday, has moved to the maritime provinces and is developing into a storm. Weather conditions are becoming disturbed in the western provinces, and a change to much lower temperature is probable. Gales.

MARITIME—Occasional rain today followed by northwesterly gales on Sunday.

New England Forecasts—Partly cloudy and cooler tonight; Sunday, fair, fresh northwest wind, probably strong on the coast tonight.