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# Allied Gain Comprises 30 Square Miles Russo-Rumanian Forces Very Successful British Artillery Destroy Important R.R.

## AFTER MUCH ARTILLERY PREPARATION GERMAN ATTACK ON MEUSE FAILED

Rain Yesterday Prevents Advance Today--Counter-Attacks Have Been Launched by Enemy--British Artillery Destroyed Important Railway--Allied Gain Now 30 Square Miles--French Have Consolidated Recent Gains--Russo-Roumanians Capture Many Guns and Prisoners--Break Austro-German Front For 40 Miles.

### HEAVY RAINS IMPEDE ALLIED ADVANCE.

LONDON, August 1.—The war office announces that torrential rains which began early yesterday impeded the progress of the Allied troops in Flanders today. South of the Ypres Comines Canal operations during the night resulted in an improvement of the new British line.

### RAILWAY CRUSHED BY BRITISH ARTILLERY

LONDON, August 1.—Hostile counter attacks began late yesterday and continued during the night in the neighborhood of La Basseville. The Ypres Comines Canal and further north along the Ypres Roulers railway were crushed by British artillery. The Allied gain so far comprises thirty square miles of territory.

## CONSCRIPT ON DEBATE OPENS IN THE SENATE

Sir James Lougheed Strongly Censures Stand Taken by Laurier—Reply Given Sifton—Senator Bostock Disagrees with Statements Made in Letter.

OTTAWA, August 1.—The debate on the national service bill began in the senate today, and while it could not be said to have stirred up so much interest as the debate on this measure did in the commons, the presence of a number of members from the lower house indicated that it is attracting considerable attention.

The expectation is that only two of the French-Canadian senators will vote against the principle of conscription, namely, Senators Landry and Montplaisier, and that apart from these the division on the amendment proposed by Senator Bostock, the Liberal leader, will be a party one. The effect of this amendment is that there should be a general election before conscription is put into force. With the new appointments to the senate recently, the government will be able to defeat the amendment by a narrow majority.

However, while party lines will be adhered to with the exception of one or two French-Canadian members as regards the amendment of Senator Bostock, it is anticipated that the voting in the principle of the bill will to a large extent be a repetition of the attitude of the members of the commons on the issue. Probably from west of the Ottawa River none will be found opposing the bill, except perhaps Senator Belcourt. One or two of the English-speaking senators from the maritime provinces, like Senator Roche, may oppose conscription. The last named came under rapid fire when he announced his attitude. It was pointed out by Senator Dennis that he had been agent for the Hamburg-American Line for over twenty-five years. "What's that got to do with it?" interjected Senator Cloran. "The King's relatives are all Germans."

### RUSSO-RUMANIANS BREAK AUSTRO-GERMAN FRONT

The Rumanian war office announces the advance of the Russo-Rumanian forces between the Casin and Putna valleys has resulted in the capture of 98 guns and 4500 Teuton prisoners. The Austro-German front has been broken for a distance of forty miles to a depth of from eleven to thirteen miles.

### FRENCH CONSOLIDATE RECENT GAINS.

PARIS, August 1.—French war office reports heavy rains in Flanders but all the gains made by the Entente troops in that region have been consolidated. On the Meuse a heavy German attack following several days' artillery preparations failed.

### FRENCH PREMIER DECLARES DR. MICHAELIS' CHARGES TO BE ABSOLUTE FALSEHOODS

PARIS, Aug. 1.—Premier Ribot, replying in the Chamber of Deputies to the declaration made Saturday by Dr. Michaelis, the German Chancellor, that there was a secret treaty between France and Russia having in view plans of conquest, declared Dr. Michaelis' charge was complete falsehood, while all his other statements contained gross inaccuracies and absolute lies.

### AMERICAN STEAMER SUNK AND LIVES LOST

LONDON, Aug. 1.—The American steamer "Motand" was torpedoed and sunk by a submarine yesterday, the Admiralty announced today. Twenty-two survivors were landed.

### A FRENCH AIRMAN HAS BROUGHT DOWN 50 GERMAN PLANES

LONDON, Aug. 1.—Capt. George Guynemer, one of France's leading airmen, has brought down his fiftieth German airplane.

## BOY DROWNED AT ZWICK'S ISLAND

Just as we went to press word was received of the drowning of a boy, about 16 years of age at Zwick's Island. The accident occurred while he was bathing. The body has not yet been recovered.

### LATER

The boy's name is Wilfred Middleton. The body has been recovered.

### WEDDING BELLS

On Tuesday, the 31st inst., a wedding was quietly celebrated at the Bridge Street Methodist Parsonage. The contracting parties were Mr. and Mrs. MacFarlane, of Melrose, and Miss Bertha Louise Ross, of Corbyville. The happy couple are taking a honeymoon trip through the western provinces as far as the Pacific Coast, and on their return will take up their residence at Melrose.

### TAKE OVER KINGSTON ROAD IN AUGUST

Fifty-Two Miles of Highway to be Controlled by Government

On August 21 the provincial government will take over and undertake the maintenance of that portion of the Kingston Road lying between Highland Creek and Port Hope, and operate it as a portion of the provincial highway system. Negotiations for assuming this portion of the road were completed some days ago, but the official date of taking over was only made known yesterday. The road lies within the counties of Ontario and Durham, and passes through the townships of Pickering, Whitby, Whitby East, Darlington, Clarke and Hope. Omitting the sections that lie within the towns which will, for the present, be wholly maintained by the municipal councils, the road measures approximately 52 miles in length.

The government is not planning any extensive work of construction, but all work done will include some plan of gradual development. A staff will be appointed whose duty will be to keep the road in repair, and the nucleus of this organization will consist of six men and three teams, who will be employed constantly on this section of the road.

W. A. McLean, deputy minister of highways, stated that this was the first link in the provincial highway system which, when completed, would extend from Sarnia on the west to the Quebec boundary on the east. The government planned, he said, to assume individual sections of approximately fifty miles in length, and finally link the whole into one connected system.

### SCHOLARSHIPS FOUNDED FOR SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' SONS

Toronto, July 31.—A substantial fund to be known as "The Leonard Foundation" has been placed by Lt. Col. R. W. Leonard, of St. Catharines, in the custody of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, Toronto as trustee, to provide scholarships to assist in the education of the sons of British soldiers, sailors, clerical men or teachers at any of the under-mentioned colleges: Ridley College, St. Catharines; Wycliffe College, Toronto; Royal Military College, Kingston; Royal Naval College, Halifax. The fund is administered by a committee composed of the president or general manager of the Toronto General Trusts Corporation, the principals of Ridley and Wycliffe Colleges and the commandants of the Royal Military College and the Royal Naval College. The annual proceeds of the fund available for this purpose amounts to \$5,000 at present.

### ST. ANDREW'S PICNIC

St. Andrew's Sunday School held its annual picnic this afternoon at Victoria Park. A good number of the scholars and the parents took in the outing. Amusements were arranged for the boys and girls and refreshments were dispensed. The picnic crowd sat down to a supper at five o'clock. Previously the school has held its outing at some point outside of Belleville but the lack of boat facilities prevented the usual outing this year.

### CHRIST CHURCH PICNIC

Christ Church is today holding its Sunday School picnic at Mississauga Park. The steamer Varuna carried down good sized crowds to the grounds.

RITCHIE'S

### AUGUST OFFERINGS

500 Yards of 45 Inch  
Flouncing Voiles  
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Regular to \$1.10 Yard

THIS IS A CLEAN-UP in real earnest, for there are many pieces that have never been cut on and others with only a few yards in. They are all nicely Embroidered on fine Shere Voiles with scalloped edges. There are dozens of pretty patterns in the lot—and many of them Regular \$1.00 \$1.10 a yard and none less than 39c. Your 69c yd Choice this week.

### August Clean-Up of WASH VOILES

"SEE CENTRE WINDOW"  
DOZENS OF PIECES of the season's Newest and Most Fashionable Dress Voiles to clear at this remarkable Bargain Price. Regularly these materials sold up to 75c a yard, but for the quick clearance 29c yd. your choice.

## Half-Price Millinery

Our entire showing of smart new colored trimmed hats is now reduced to exactly half their former prices. Many New York pattern hats are included at this drastic reduction—and the collection embraces large shapes, small and medium styles and all are adorned with the season's newest trimmings. There are dozens to choose from and a model to exactly become YOU at JUST HALF PRICE.

Your Choice Of  
Our  
Millinery Shapes  
Half-Price

You have the choice of any new summer hat shape (not panamas) at this 50 per cent reduction. There are many smart and becoming styles in both black and colors and an early selection is sure to prove profitable to anyone planning a chic new hat.

Store closes at noon Wednesdays during August

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