

SENATOR BELCOURT IS BACK FROM THE EMPIRE CONFERENCE

Also Before Privy Council On Bilingual Issues.

VISITED BATTLE LINES

France and Britain Both Confident of Complete Victory For Allies.

OTTAWA, Aug. 20.—"Engrossing, instructive, enlightening and encouraging," is how Senator Belcourt, who arrived home today from a two months' visit to England and France, as a member of the Empire Parliamentary Association, which met in London in July, characterized his journey to the other side of the Atlantic and the meeting of the Empire conference in England.

Coincident with the Empire Parliamentary conference was the hearing before the privy council of the two bilingual school cases, one to test the legality of the separate school commission and the power of the Quebec Bank and the city of Ottawa to transfer funds to that body, and the other on the McKell injunction, which will decide whether regulation 17 is legal or not.

"Hopeful" of School Cases.

On the school question Senator Belcourt would not comment, beyond saying that he was "hopeful" of the issue in both cases. He pointed out that he was still the legal representative of the school board in the case, and that he would decide whether regulation 17 is legal or not.

But on the war and the empire conference, the Ottawa senator spoke most enthusiastically when interviewed. Both British and French frontiers were visited, the grand fleet was inspected, and most of the munition factories and hospitals of England and France were gone through.

Alles Will Win.

Senator Belcourt declared that no body in England or France doubted that ultimate and complete victory would be the Allies, although, in his opinion, it may not come in the immediate future. He brings back vivid memories of the heroic efforts of the French and British women, especially the former, in the field, workshop and factory.

Speaking of the school question, Senator Belcourt said that the Privy Council spent six full days on the case. "The privy council was deeply interested in the question, and for the Privy Council to give a case six days is something unusual," he said. "The London Times and some of the leading French papers asked me for interviews on this Ontario bilingual question, but declined all. I am still the lawyer and therefore before the court and the crowd."

WORLD'S WHEAT SUPPLY 25 PER CENT BELOW 1915

International Institute of Agriculture at Rome Estimates.

ROME, Aug. 20.—The International Institute of Agriculture in its latest report says that with harvesting virtually completed in most European countries the indications are that the world's wheat supply for 1915 will be almost twenty-five per cent less than last year. It is pointed out, however, that 1915 was a banner year and that the new crop will be nearly up to the average yield between 1909 and 1914.

The gathering in of crops on a large scale is now limited to North America, Great Britain, Russia and Scandinavia. The barley crop for the world is estimated at 20 per cent less than last year, although five per cent above the average. The total yield of oats is forecast at 22 per cent less than in 1915, but 15 per cent above the average.

NEW EASTERN ENTRANCE FOR TORONTO EXHIBITION

Will Facilitate Handling of Crowds at Big Fair.

TORONTO, Aug. 20.—The new eastern entrance to the Canadian National Exhibition has been inspected and finally approved by the traffic police and street railway officials and pronounced capable of carrying for the greatest crowds ever handled at the exhibition in a minimum of trouble and congestion.

With the inauguration of the service over the new route on opening day, Monday, August 28, the undertaking, which has been the subject of much discussion, will be completed. The exhibition terminal will have a platform 300 feet long by 30 feet wide, and divided as to simplify to the greatest degree the handling of the crowds coming and going by street car.

WASTE PAPER COLLECTION TO BE MADE AT PORT

PORT STANLEY, Aug. 20.—On Tuesday afternoon next a patrol will call at every home in the village, also Erie, Rest, Inverie, Hillcrest and Orchard Beach, to collect newspapers, magazines and waste paper. Residents are asked to place such material outside for the convenience of the collectors.

WIDOW TRIES SUICIDE

Desist After Husband's Death, Attempts To Jump From Window.

CHICAGO, Aug. 20.—Mrs. Morse Davis, widow of the Vancouver, B. C., mining man who died of poisoning at a local hotel ten days ago, attempted tonight to jump from a window of St. Mary's Mission House, attendants said. She was restrained and taken to the psychiatric hospital. Mrs. Davis was made several, but Mrs. Davis later was taken into custody by the police. She said her husband had committed suicide and she was too. Mrs. Davis had applied at the mission house several days ago, saying she was destitute.

DID NOT ATTEMPT TO EJECT LADY DIVER

PORT STANLEY, Aug. 20.—Mr. Kingston, manager of the Inverie Hotel, denies that an attempt was made to have Mrs. Myers, the professional lady diver who was taken ill while in bathing, removed from the hotel. Mr. Kingston says that the management simply asked a physician if it would not be advisable to send the lady to a hospital.

INFANTILE PARALYSIS ATTACKS CHILDREN OF MUNCEY RESERVE

Two Cases Develop Six Miles From Clinton.

INDIANS PULLING FLAX

Authorities Have Ordered Strict Quarantine of Colony About Fifty Strong.

[Special to The Advertiser.] CLINTON, Aug. 20.—Two cases of infantile paralysis have developed among a group of Indians living about six miles from Clinton in Hullett Township.

They are Muncie Indians who have been here pulling flax and while here have lived in tents near their work. There are about fifty Indians in the settlement, and the local authorities have arranged for a strict quarantine. The cases which have developed are two children under five years of age.

GERMANY HAS ADMITTED TORPEDOING DUTCH BOAT

Apologizes and Offers to Compensate the Owners.

THE HAGUE, via London, Aug. 20.—It is officially announced that the German Government had admitted that the German steamer Rindijk was struck by a German torpedo, and has apologized and offered to compensate the owners, a Rotterdam shipping firm.

The Rindijk was beached after being struck. The Rindijk was torpedoed off the Sicily Islands last April while bound for Rotterdam from Portland, Me., with a food cargo for the Belgian relief commission. The Dutch shipping council, which examined pieces of metal found aboard, found that they were parts of a Whitehead torpedo made in Flume, Austria.

HEAD OF COMMISSION TO BUY HORSES DEAD

Major-General Wm. H. Benson Dies in Montreal—An Army Veteran.

MONTREAL, Aug. 20.—Major-General Wm. H. Benson, head of the commission for the purchase of horses and mules on this continent for war service, with headquarters in Montreal, died at 5:30 today at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel after an illness of two months from heart trouble. He was born at St. Catharines, Ont., August 2, 1859, and was a Penian Rind veteran, an officer in the British army, serving with distinction in India and Egypt, also in South Africa. His widow, Mrs. Benson, is the eldest daughter of the late Sir G. E. Cooper, Bart., K. C., and was born in Halifax.

A funeral service will be held at St. George's Church, Montreal, at 2:45 Monday and the remains will be shipped Monday afternoon to St. Catharines, where interment will take place Wednesday.

SAYS FRENCH CIVILIANS ARE MOVED FROM TOWNS

Country About Franco-German Border Near Verdun Affected.

BERLIN, via Saville, Aug. 20.—Swiss press dispatches, as forwarded to the Overseas News Agency, report that the French authorities have removed the civilian population from a large number of towns and villages behind the front in the districts of Nancy, Lunerville, Baccarat and St. Die.

The line indicated roughly parallels the Franco-German border, beginning at a point about 50 miles southeast of Verdun. It extends along a railroad for about 50 miles.

GREEKS ALWAYS RETIRE WHEN BULGARS NEAR

Latter Promise to Restore Territory at End of War.

PARIS, Aug. 20.—A telegraph from the Havas agency says: "The Greek troops in the region of Florina retired when the Bulgarians advanced. The same policy is pursued generally wherever operations are taking place on Greek territory. The German and Bulgarian ministers have declared that the population in the territory occupied by the Bulgarians will be respected, and that the territory will be restored at the end of the war."

CROPS OF ALBERTA SURE TO BE LARGE

CALGARY, Aug. 19.—Of twenty-two reports received by the Canadian Bank of Commerce from ranches at Alberta there were none that did not speak optimistically of the crop prospects. The reports received Friday and Saturday told of hail damage at some points, but a general outlook of grain being down at some other points as the result of the excessive rain and wind of the last two days and of severe frost damage at Coronation and Hanna, but otherwise the crop harvested will be nearly as large as the abnormal crop of last year, say the reports.

DROWNED WHILE BATHING

Doctor Disappears in View of His Family.

NEWARK, Aug. 20.—Dr. John Newton of Newark, Ohio, was drowned while bathing in Lac des Passes on the remote shore of the Triton Chain in the Laurentian mountains, on Saturday afternoon.

A doctor, who was a member of a fishing party composed of himself and his wife and Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Hunt and the Misses Hunt, was bathing in front of the camp in full view of the rest of the party when he suddenly disappeared from view and did not come to the surface again. The body has not been recovered.

GERMANY HOPES FOR FOOD.

BERLIN, via Saville, Aug. 20.—Information now at hand gives assurance that this year's crop will be much in excess of those of the last peace years, according to a statement from the office of Adolf von Batocki, president of the food regulation board. It is stated that the government is assured of a supply of all food necessities for another year.

SINGLE-TAXERS ARE URGING EXTRA LEVY ON LAND IN CANADA

Expect National Debt to Reach Billion.

TO PETITION GOVERNMENT

One Per Cent Tax Would Provide Annual Revenue of \$80,000,000.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Aug. 20.—Canadian single taxers held a successful convention in the Clifton Hotel here yesterday and having in view the enormous war expenditure, decided to urge upon the Dominion Parliament the justice and expediency of raising extra revenue by a tax upon the land values of the Dominion. It was pointed out in the resolution that the national debt of Canada already exceeded half a billion dollars and at the present rate of expenditure will probably reach one billion dollars by the end of the war. This prodigious debt and also the pension fund for disabled soldiers and their dependents would necessitate an enormous increase in Canada's national revenue. It was declared no material increase in revenue could be derived through customs without seriously increasing the cost of living, crippling trade, adding greatly to the burden of the Canadian people.

The land values of Canada were a national resource. It was estimated that a tax of one per cent on land values in Canada would produce an additional revenue of approximately \$80,000,000 annually and might be collected through existing municipal organizations with a minimum of expense.

Among the delegates were many prominent single taxers from both eastern and western Canada. The reports from various parts of the Dominion were optimistic.

Addresses were delivered by Henry Timmins, Montreal; A. B. Farmer, Toronto; D. E. Heddle, Winnipeg; F. J. Dixon, M.P.P., Winnipeg.

Municipalities Are in Ignorance About Lucas' Hydro Boon

J. W. Lyon of Guelph Has Sent Pertinent Query to the Cabinet.

[Special to The Advertiser.] GUELPH, P.E.I., Aug. 20.—Local officials of the Hydro-Electric Association state that they are in absolute ignorance in regard to any order-in-council having been passed for the purchase of a right-of-way between Toronto and Dundas, as stated by Hon. J. B. Lucas at a political meeting in Toronto.

Although the municipalities are the responsible parties for the financing of the deal, the association, composed of municipal representatives, has had no word that such application was ever made by Sir Adam Beck or granted by the Government.

Letters have been written to members of the Ontario cabinet at the instance of J. W. Lyon asking when the order was put through and who applied for it.

SWEDISH PAPERS FEAR A BREAK WITH BRITAIN

Blue Book Tells of Negotiations Regarding Seizure of Mails.

COPENHAGEN, via London, Aug. 21.—3:08 a.m.—According to the Dagbladet, the Swedish Government has published a blue book containing the diplomatic documents relating to the negotiations between Sweden and England regarding the seizure of British mails to Russia. This seizure was in retaliation for the taking by the British of Swedish post from America to Sweden.

The blue book states that on the initiative of Great Britain an agreement was reached by which British mails were to be released, England agreeing to the establishment of an arbitration court after the war to settle the question of its seizure of American mail.

After this agreement had been reached, the blue book says, and most of 60,000 packages of mail seized by Sweden had been forwarded to Russia, England suddenly demanded that Sweden allow all English mails to pass to Russia in the future. Sweden refused to accept this amendment to the agreement, whereupon Great Britain withdrew her agreement to the arbitration court. The newspaper says that several Swedish newspapers fear a disagreement between the two countries.

NEW BRITISH COMMANDER IS NAMED FOR INDIA

General Duff Summoned Home—General Monro Succeeds.

LONDON, Aug. 20.—At 5:55 p.m. the war office tonight announced a change in the chief command in India. General Arthur Duff, who has been summoned home to give evidence before the Mesopotamia commissions, and will vacate his office as commander-in-chief, being succeeded by Lieut.-Gen. Sir Charles Carmichael Monro.

Gen. Duff has been commander-in-chief in India since 1913. His age is 67. Lieut.-Gen. Monro has been commander of the first army, succeeding Gen. Sir Douglas Haig, when the latter was made commander-in-chief of the British forces in France and Belgium. Gen. Monro was commander of the British expedition to the Dardanelles in 1915, succeeding Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton.

POSTMEN'S CONVENTION.

VANCOUVER, Aug. 20.—W. H. Hoop of Winnipeg was yesterday elected president at the closing session of the postmen's convention. Other officers are: Vice-president, Victor Beaupre, Montreal; secretary, Alex. McMorris, Toronto. Provincial presidents: Nova Scotia, J. S. Day; Quebec, H. Berger; Manitoba, J. E. Erick; Saskatchewan, W. E. Buckle; Ontario, A. A. McDonald; Alberta, A. D. Campbell; British Columbia, R. Wright; New Brunswick, E. D. Carr.

HAS FINGER TORN OFF.

DRESDEN, Aug. 20.—In helping to repair the elevator at the canning factory here Friday morning, Morley McKay had his left hand caught in the cable, and the second finger was torn badly lacerated. Dr. Williams and McDonald dressed the wound.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES SATURDAY LIST.

INFANTRY.
Killed in Action—75194 Pte. Robert Currie, Scotland; 40113 Pte. M. Gilbertson, London, Eng.; 43811 Pte. J. R. Hayler, England; 42044 Acting Lance-Corp. J. McLean, Glasgow, Scotland; 42559 Pte. R. McGill, Scotland; 42345 Pte. J. Robb, Scotland; 42974 Pte. George Rogers, Scotland; 105250 Pte. P. M. Simpson, Scotland; 128256 Pte. T. G. Stewart, Donegal, Ireland; 420388 Pte. Wm. Watson, England; 420913 Pte. T. Wm. Walton, England.
Died—420414 Acting Lance-Corp. J. Kell, at No. 10 Stationary Hospital, St. Omer, Aug. 17, address kin Belfast, Ireland.

Previously Reported Wounded, Believed Dead, Now Died of Wounds—42678 Pte. Wm. E. Glenn, England.
Previously Reported Missing, Believed Killed, Now Died of Wounds—42698 Pte. Wm. Parsons, Liverpool, England.

INFANTRY.
Dangerously Ill—124116 Pte. G. L. Fitt, London, Eng.

Wounded—14534 Pte. G. Anderson, Scotland; 30850 Pte. T. F. Adcock, England; 41766 Pioneer C. Betts, Starouchina, Russia; 426031 Pte. Michael Cornell, England; 40081 Pte. Michael J. Chumas, Cardiff, Wales; 20508 Corp. Wendenholm, Scotland; 73137 Pte. Edgar R. Bolland, England; 51176 Pte. J. W. Greaves, England; 4591 Pte. J. Foy, England; 73294 Pte. Thomas Hawkins, England; 439016 Pte. F. Ohson, England; 55331 Pte. J. Kay, Manchester, England; 150121 Pte. John King, England; 54172 Pte. Wm. Martin, Ireland; 420754 Pte. J. Murray, Scotland; 55573 Pte. J. Leach (dangerous), England; 62946 Pte. Varry Parker, England; 427659 Pte. J. Phillips, England; 72101 Pte. A. Raban, England; 42757 Pte. I. Adams Saunders, England; 55419 Pte. S. Stephens, Wales; 60214 Pte. C. J. Trott, England; 168006 Pioneer C. G. Toover, England; 71656 Pte. J. E. Webb, England; 420357 Pte. Wm. Wells, England.

ENGINEERS.
Killed in Action—50524 Sergt. Frank L. Evans, England.

MOUNTED RIFLES.
Wounded—117035 Pte. J. Murray, Scotland.

INFANTRY.
Wounded—13015 Pte. R. Morgan, Scotland; 309 Driver M. P. Philp, England.

SUNDAY LIST.

INFANTRY.
Previously Reported Missing, Now Wounded and Missing—25552 Pte. Isidore Gaudreau, Hull, P. Q.

Wounded—Major James Gordon McLaren, Ottawa.

ARTILLERY.
Wounded—306601 Corp. A. J. Dixon, Ottawa.

MEDICAL SERVICES.
Dangerously Ill—32332 Pte. Albert Crane, 60 Avenue Avenue, Toronto.

SUPPLIES SERVICES.
Wounded—120841 Pte. Charles DeGruy, Edmonton.

Seriously Ill—105553 Pte. C. H. Connor, Oshawa, Ont.

Wounded—20465 Pte. A. J. Davis, Brentwood, N. S.; 44525 Pte. Heitor McLean, Renfrew, Man.; 413368 Pte. W. F. McKeon, England; 467326 Pte. G. W. Royce, Hammond, Alta.; 70275 Pte. J. Webb, Hammond, Alta., N. B.

ARTILLERY.
Killed in Action—127073 Pte. L. E. Tennie, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.

Wounded—165594 Lance-Corp. Donald Finley, Cadogan, Alta.; 522214 Sergt. E. A. Lavery, 482 Dundas street, Toronto; 775 Driver W. McLean, Moore Park, Man.; 41738 Gunner B. L. P. Moll, Cobourg.

ENGINEERS.
Wounded—405340 Sapper William McKay, No. 255 Durnaven Drive, Silverthorne, Toronto, Ont.

INFANTRY.
Wounded—410661 Pte. Fred Mitchell, 41 Amelia street, Toronto; 140173 Pioneer J. A. Foster, 50 University street, Toronto; 135263 Pte. Daniel Sullivan, 8 Seneca street, Toronto.

Seriously Ill—137574 Pte. Wm. Arrow-smith, 50 Waverley street, Toronto.

MOUNTED RIFLES.
Died of Wounds—164397 Pte. Ared Serlinghaus, Vancouver, B.C.

Previously Reported Missing, Now Killed in Action—100972 Pte. Geo. H. Coates, Belding, Mich.

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Why Necessary to Advertise

The shopkeeper of yesterday had a way of turning down the ad man with the remark: "A satisfied customer is the best advertisement."

This sounded all right at first, but TIME tries all things.

The satisfied customer is mighty effective advertising, but advertising which is not in itself enough to hold against the assaults of present-day competition.

There is always ground for apprehension lest satisfied customers stray away, and fail to come back.

Without warning, the fellow down street may cut loose with a band of music, a leap-for-life performance, or special discounts, and so, STAMPEDE THE FLOCK!

The non-advertising merchant is exposed to the inroads of competition right and left—the one who advertises has a double hitch on his own customers and a dragnet out for other possible patrons running at large!

Advertising both stabilizes and accelerates a business—that is, steadies it—and drives it ahead!

In the logic of the case, and in common experience, it pays best to patronize the advertising stores. People who have learned to regulate their personal and household expenditures by the information gathered each night from the STORE NEWS IN THE ADVERTISER require no argument to convince them that they make handsome dividends dealing with London advertisers!

The Advertiser is a member of the Audit Bureau of Circulations, when you buy its space you buy what is right.

NOTABLE GATHERING OF R. C. DIGNITARIES IN N. Y. CATHEDRAL

Three Princes of Church Among Thousands at Mass.

AMERICAN FEDERATION

Cardinal Gaspari Sends Message Conveying Apostolic Benediction.

NEW YORK, Aug. 20.—Three princes of the Roman Catholic Church, the apostolic delegate to the United States, the papal nuncio to Brazil, scores of bishops and other dignitaries, several hundred priests and thousands of laymen participated here today in the celebration of a solemn pontifical high mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral.

The occasion was the formal opening of the 15th annual convention of the American Federation of Catholic Societies, and the 61st annual convention of the National Federation of German Catholics. Scarcely a day had passed since the 15th annual convention of the American Federation of Catholic Societies, and the 61st annual convention of the National Federation of German Catholics.

There had been so notable a gathering of ecclesiastics outside of Rome. It was estimated that more than 8,000 persons crowded into the cathedral, while twice as many more congregated in the streets surrounding the great edifice to view the procession which preceded the mass.

Transmits Pope's Benediction.

At the opening of the ceremony, Mgr. Michael J. Lavelle, rector of the cathedral, read a message from Cardinal Gaspari, papal secretary of state, in which he said:

"The Holy Father will watch with a loving and paternal eye the federation of Catholic societies of the