

BULGARIA'S WAR LEADER



King Ferdinand of Bulgaria in his car, off to the front.

INTERESTING T. L. E. OF LIFE AT FRONT, BY BUCTOUCHE BOY

Corporal McNair, who is now at the front, a son of Anthony McNairs, of Buckhous, Kent county, writes as follows:

"Somewhere in France," Sept. 10th, 1915.

Dear Dad:

I have not heard from you for some time, but thought you would like to hear how things are going on out here. I am in the best of health so far, and if old Fritz does not interfere, I hope to pull through O. K. This afternoon Fritz laid a few acres in our field. We are back in reserve at present, about a quarter of a mile from the front line, in dug-out, of course. Fred's home and mine consists of a hole in the ground three feet deep, roofed over with sand bags for shell fire. The nearest shell burst about twenty yards from us, but did no damage. The dugout is four feet wide, so you see we have not got too much room, but still we are as happy as clams. We are safe from stragglers, but the high explosives would make a sorry mess of our home. When I first came out I was nervous enough about shelling, but it is like anything else, one gets used to it, although I have still a wholesome regard for it. It is a daily sight to see them shelling an aeroplane. Perhaps he is up half a mile flying around, when all of a sudden you see several bursts of smoke which look at first about the size of a fifty cent piece; then, if you are beneath it, you can hear something whizz and the fragments fall all around. When the guns get the range of the straggler, he is by that time a couple of hundred yards away, so it is a good deal of luck if they hit him. The moment the Germans begin shelling, you get an aeroplane to observe, if possible, the position of the guns.

White a plane is up as a rule they do not shell us much. But regularly between six or seven, and seven, they send over what the boys call the "flying of hate." The last time we were in the front they shelled us and killed a few and wounded several, but no one on our platoon got hit. I am going to try and get a ring made from the nose of a German shell if I can get one large enough to fit you. The next time you send to black send the chewing in one parcel and DDU's best in another, so I will stand a chance of getting one. Did Mr. Irving get the helmet I sent him? Fred sent me one but it never got there. We get them at Festubert after the battle. That was the closest call I have had so far. We were carrying out the wounded down a road they were shelling and snipers had their guns trained on the road. I was a stretcher-bearer that night, volunteered to do it as there were a lot of wounded men in the trenches, who would have died if not taken to the dressing station. About sixty out of our battalion went besides the regular stretcher bearers. A shell hit in a crowd of the boys and killed eight. I was reported killed, but thanks to luck I popped through. This battalion was one of the ones that got cut up at Ypres. We lost about 900 there, mostly gassed. I got a taste of the gas, but not enough to hurt. It looks like a big yellow cloud about ten to fifteen feet from the ground. Our respirators though not the best, will withstand it, and the wearer not suffer any ill effects. This battalion went in 1904 strong and came out with 193. Quite a few have come back since from hospital. Now, Dad, I guess I will quit for a while. When you can drop me a line. Best regards to all of the folks.

Your son, "MAC."

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BIRTHS

GRAY—On October 10, to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gray, 28 Orange street, a daughter.

MARRIAGES

MOORE-JOHNSTON—At the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. B. H. Noble, 41 Cedar street, October 13, Walter D. Moore of Long Reach, N. B., and Mrs. Nettie M. Johnston, formerly of Pittsfield, Mass.

DEATHS

MAGEE—Suddenly on the morning of Oct. 14, at 37 Millidge Avenue, Elizabeth A., beloved wife of James S. Magee, aged 81 years, leaving her husband, three sons and one daughter to mourn. Funeral from her late residence Sunday afternoon, October begins at 3 o'clock. Friends invited.

SMITH—On the 13th inst., at the General Public Hospital, William F. Smith of 47 Sewell street, leaving wife and one son, John K. of No. 5 Co. C, A. S. C., now in France. Notice of funeral hereafter.

IN MEMORIAM BELLMORE—In loving memory of Bertha Bellmore, who departed this life September 20, 1915. Two years have gone and still we miss her. Friends may think the wound has healed but they little know the sorrow. That lies within the heart concealed. FRIEND.

CARDS OF THANKS Mrs. Randall wishes to thank the many kind friends for the sympathy expressed by them in her recent sad bereavement, especially Mrs. Chapman and those who ministered to Mr. Randall in the last moments of his life. FRIEND.

LOCAL NEWS

SLIGHT FIRE A tarpot upset this morning in Carleton and did a little damage to some fishing gear at J. Fred Belyos's where tarring process was being carried on. He said this morning that the loss was hardly noticeable, and that it would cover the damage, which was for the most part confined to a fishing net.

Wyandotte dancing class tonight. Friends of "Bud" Tippets will be pleased to hear that he has been appointed a preventive officer and has joined the Customs House staff.

Next Friday he'll be here—Neal of the Navy. t.f.

All hail to Neal of the Navy. t.f.

10 K. Gold Chain free with every pair eyeglasses for the balance of this week. See our ad. page 7. K. W. Epstein, 24 Co. Optometrists, 198 Union. t.f.

See him at the Gym this week—Neal of the Navy. t.f.

A large 82 photo of your child free "Children's Week" at The Reid Studio, corner Charlotte and King streets. See our window display.

Gribble next Sunday.

NOTICE The members of True Blue L. O. L. No. 11, are requested to meet on Friday evening, Oct. 15, at the home of Edwin F. Tibbets, W.M., 241 King street, west.

A New Discovery Father Morrice's remedy for Rheumatism and all kidney troubles, purely vegetable. No Cure—No Pay. All drug stores. Price 25c.

Mrs. Helen Wetmore Newman of the residence of Mrs. James H. Frink, Elliott row, tomorrow afternoon at half past three o'clock, a recruiting rally for the proceeds will be for patriotic purposes.

RECRUITING RALLY In the new Temperance Hall, Westmorland road, tonight, a recruiting rally for the Red Cross will be held in the evening. A good programme has been arranged.

NOTICE Members of Union Jack Lodge No. 85 P. A. F. B. please attend at 8 p. m. Friday, at Imperial Lodge No. 42, 151 Charlotte street, in unveiling memorial to late brother Rudolf Meckel.

TRIMMED HATS FOR THIS WEEK-END AT MRA'S

The feature for Friday and Saturday in the millinery salon will be a special showing of trimmed hats at only five dollars each. They will be offered in a wide range of the season's popular shapes, and trimmed in such a variety of handsome effects that they should prove most tempting at this popular price. There will also be a big display of untrimmed hats also of children's hats and bonnets. See these five dollar hats in King street window.

DR. GREENFELL Dr. Wilfred Greenfell of Labrador passed through St. John yesterday and will be returning to the United States, to arouse a deeper interest in his work among the deep sea fishermen.

CAUSE FOR THANKS Frederick Mall Potatoes are selling at 28 a barrel and it is predicted that 38 will be reached before long. The people of this province should thank their stars that the local government does not propose to pull off any patriotic potato stunt this year.

IMPERIAL TONIGHT AND TOMORROW

"Captain Courtes", the five-act romantic comedy of the early forties in California made a splendid impression at the Imperial Theatre yesterday and will be concluded tonight. Dustin Farrum as the chivalrous outlaw, seeking revenge on the slayers of his parents, gives a most artistic and dashing performance. His horsemanship is a little short of marvellous. It is a most elaborate play with unique scenery of the Spanish mission character, and very picturesque. A Vitagraph comedy and Heraldic Weekly are included in the same programme also the Woods Musical.

Tomorrow and Saturday, the seventh chapter of "The Broken Coin" will be put on depicting the further adventures of Kitty Gray and Count Frederick in their battle royal for the broken coin. The Danish Theatre, William Hampden Company's best comedy features "Uncle Bill", will be shown featuring Anita Stewart, Donald Hall, William Hampden, Billy Quirk, Julia Swayne Gordon and others popular stars.

PATRIOTIC DRAWING Sale of Tickets Going With a Swag—Many Demands

At a meeting of the committee in charge of the new \$5,000 patriotic drawing, in the office of the chairman, Thos. Nagle, this morning, further arrangements were made for the distribution of the tickets. Plans were made to have the tickets placed on sale in the drug stores in the city, in West St. John and Fairville, and at other centres, and also for the co-operation of the Elks, Moose, Knights of Columbus, Rotary Club, and the store at the corner of Duke and Charlotte streets will be kept open every evening with the prizes on display.

A prominent druggist made three calls on extra tickets this forenoon and has already sold nearly 400. Telephone calls are coming in from all parts of the city and suburbs.

The prizes include automobile, sleighs, carriages, new piano, new stove, and a total of fifty costly awards will be drawn about Nov. 1, either in one of the big rinks or theatres.

Eber H. Turnbull of the patriotic committee received today a letter from Mrs. H. Larue of Hartland, enclosing \$8 for six tickets for the drawing of Nov. 1.

JURY SELECTED The forenoon jury was expanded today by Coroner Roberts to inquire into the death of William H. Smith who died in the hospital yesterday from injuries sustained from a fall of an elevator in the warehouse of J. S. Frost, Smythe street—Walter Logan (foreman), Robert C. McAfee, George K. Frost, H. C. Lennon, J. W. McAlary, Roy Morrell and G. M. Robinson. The inquest was postponed until the call of the coroner.

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New White Champ Escaped a Dangerous Challenge Only Because of Risk to Aspirant's Face

Right away, Jess Willard has a challenger he can't fight. The matter of a large cast iron contract stands between a public argument in the ring as to the relative physical merits of the new white champion and William Russell, the handsome giant gentleman heavy in the role of giant Stanley in "The Diamond from the Sky."

The announcement of Willard's victory Havana filled the enthusiastic Mr. Russell with a blast of ambition. Russell admitted Willard was a good fighter, but Russell cared more for the "action stuff." He stands 6 feet 4 inches tall when he gets up in the morning and weighs 225 pounds before breakfast.

THE FUNDS Contributions for the funds have been received by Mayor Frink as follows: Belgian, R. G. Gendall, Perth, \$8. Patriotic, H. A. White, Sussex, \$10. Several amounts to make up the total from persons wishing to secure tickets for the \$5,000 patriotic drawing.

C. B. Allan, treasurer, acknowledges the following: The Canadian Red Cross, St. John (local) Branch sales the collectors made by Saturday, the 16th, to Miss E. O. Skinner. Acknowledgment of the following donations is made: Per Mrs. F. T. Short, Dr. W. W. White, \$25.

Per Mrs. M. B. Edwards, C. M. Bostwick, Charles Bostwick, T. E. G. Armstrong, E. H. McAlpine, P. C. McNeill, friend, Mrs. Henry S. Calver, W. H. Hayward, Harvey Hayward, H. A. Powell, J. Gordon Lively, A. H. Lively, Frank Lively, \$2 each, W. J. Mahoney, \$6.

Per Miss E. O. Skinner, Miss I. Louise Murray, \$25; Miss Margaret O. Murray, \$25; Miss Maria Murray, \$24; Magee & Co., \$2.

Per Miss Walker, Mrs. F. H. Nichols, \$24; Miss M. B. Lawrence, \$24.

Per Miss Stetson, George McAvity, \$24; W. Alden from New York, \$100.00.

Per Miss Mabel Sidney Smith, John C. Belyos, \$25; Hutchings & Co., \$2.

Per W. E. Foster, Mrs. E. L. Gadd, P. W. R. Purchase, H. N. Stanbury, I. Gillis.

Per Mrs. Cortland Robinson, H. J. Dick, \$1; J. Vanwart, \$2; J. Spilane & Co., \$2; J. McMillan Truman, \$2; G. W. B. Smith, \$2; Harry Warwick, \$1; J. Willard Smith, \$3.

Per Mrs. R. B. Trevis, Mrs. T. R. Hilgard, \$2; J. Fraser Gregory, \$25.

SOME MORE TAKEN TO KIRKWALL; OTHERS FREED Kirkwall, Scotland, Monday, Oct. 11 (Delayed by censor)—The Danish steamer Virginia, which sailed from New York on Sept. 28, for Christiania with a general cargo, and the Swedish steamer Orion from Philadelphia, Sept. 22, for Stockholm, with a cargo of coal, have been brought here. The Norwegian steamer Aldin from New York, Sept. 21, for Stockholm, and which arrived at Kirkwall Oct. 7, has been released.

The Swedish steamer Osman, from New Orleans, Sept. 11, for Copenhagen, and which arrived at Kirkwall on Oct. 6, the Norwegian steamer Fram, from Baltimore, Sept. 18, for Vakkad, and which arrived at Kirkwall on Oct. 7, and the Norwegian tank steamer Conrad Mohr, which left Baton Rouge on Sept. 15, for Bergen and arrived at Kirkwall on Oct. 7, sailed yesterday.

THE LIBERALS WON Moncton Transcript: The municipal elections for Westmorland County resulted in another Liberal landslide, and the Conservative party was if possible worse defeated on Tuesday of this week than it was two years ago.

TODAY'S RECRUITS Two recruits signed the roll of honor with the 88th Battalion here this morning. M. G. Killbom and W. J. Bowes, both of this city. Several applications for enrollment with the siege battery were received.

RECENT DEATHS

The death of Jeremiah H. Hanington, occurred at his home in Scotch Settlement, Westmorland county on Tuesday. The deceased, who was seventy years of age, was a respected resident of that section.

William Falconer of Notre Dame, Kent county died Oct. 7th. He was fifty-one years of age and is survived by his wife and eight children. One of his sons has just returned from the front.

WALL STREET NOTES (J. M. Robinson & Sons' private wire telegram.)

New York, Oct. 14.—Bank of England rate unchanged at 5 p. c. Rock Island stockholders meet in Chicago to elect seven new directors. Steel trade organs say railroad purchases are increasing, steel makers looking for further price advancement.

Representatives of Guggenheim and American Smelting Co. to confer today with Secretary Lansing over the threatened confiscation of mining properties by Villa.

Twelve industrialists of 57; twenty railroads of 28. Developments in connection with the progress of the allies' bill billion loan during the next few weeks, are expected in some responsible quarters to stimulate the stock market.

THE W. C. T. U. NOW HAS 1,845,944 MEMBERS Seattle, Wash., Oct. 14.—A pledge membership of 1,845,944 was reported on Tuesday to the National Convention of the W. C. T. U. in session here. These figures, it was said, applied to Sunday school membership, and included 294,184 names added during the last year. The report added that more than 16,000 entire families are pledged to total abstinence.

The convention refused to change the annual meeting time from the closing three months of the year to spring by defeating a constitutional amendment providing for such change. The far west delegates pleaded for earlier conventions in order that the western representatives might secure excursion rates when the conventions were held in the east. As a concession to this argument, the legislation was amended so as to give the official board power to alter early meeting date when the situation made the change advisable.

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