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THE COURIER, BRANTFORD, CANADA, MONDAY, SEPT. 16, 1918.

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ALLIES FROWN ON

Germany Makes Proposal of Separate Peace to Belgium

PRESENT OFFERS FORESHADOW DESPERATE PEACE OFFENSIVE

Buy Belgian Neutrality

AN OFFER MADE The Central Powers Doomed to Failure

By Courier Leased Wire.

New York, Sept. 16.-The Associated Press this morning issues the following:

"While Austria was preparing her note to the belligerent nations, proposing that they meet By Courier Leased Wire make another offer of separate peace to Belgium. It is announced that the Belgian gover the Belgian gover the Belgian gover that the Belgian gover the Belgi tiers that were violated in August, 1914.

It is affirmed from Berlin but the offer of Germany to Belgium points to what may be said to be more than a coincidence, and probably a desperate peace offensive is now well un-

If official sentiment is reflected by newspaper comment at the Entente capitals, the efforts of the Central Powers to reach a peace by negotiations are doomed to failure. In London and Paris the offer of Austria was very coldly received, while at Washington it is pointed out that the United States will not entertain any peace tentatives that can, at best, bring about only a temporary respite from hostilities and will leave Germany and Austria free to break the peace of the world at any future date.

seems to be little hope that the Allies will agree to meet representatives of the Central Powers. The newspapers of Berlin point out that hopeful for a ressation of the strugearly termination.

German Press Pouliful. Amsterdam, Sep. 14. The peace initiatives should have been left to the Entente Allies, according to The Tages Zeitung of Berlin, which commen's on the Austrian mace note. "The fate of all previous announcements as to rundinass for peace will meet with greater success."
the newspaper says, "It must naturally encounter great skepticism on

"After our owneriences hitherto with peace pronosals," says The Lokal Anzeiger. "we cannot help feeling thoroughly skeptical."

WEATHER BULLETIN



Germany Seeks to SERBIANS LAUNCH DRIVE IN SALONIKI

By Courier Leased Wire.

Washington, Sept. 16. — Bulletin.—Launching of an offensive against the Bulgarians on the Saloniki by the re-organized Serbian army, in co-operation with the French forces, and the capture of three strongly fortified Bulgarian positions is announced in an ofz ficial Serbian communication re-ceived here today from Saloniki.

The positions taken are Tek Vetrenik, Dobropolie and the Mountain Sokol, which the Bulgars held for 18 months, and were regarded as the strongest places. Starting yesterday after artillery preparation, the Serbians and the French moved forward, reached their objectives and were still going strong when today's dispatch was filed.

BRITISH ADVANCE LINE ON ARRAS-CAMBRAIROAD

Establish Posts in Vicinity of Sauchy and Oppy-Successful Operation Results in Advance Astride **Ypres-Comines Canal**

in formal discussion of peace last night advanced their line north terms in a neutral country, Gering nosts in the violette of Savelle. We have established new many was making ready to make another offer of separate on the Flanders front the Reities Gavrelle. We have established posts in the vicinity of Sauchy-chy and Oppy, according to to-chy and Oppy."

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mainder of the war, Germany is of over two miles, capturing a numready to withdraw to the fron- ber of prisoners and machine guns. forces from the perilous salient into wife, Mill. Thos. Howell, 17 'On the battle front encounters which he rushed last April.

that the Austrian government acted on its own initiative in sending out its peace proposals, GOVERNMENT, AND NOT PEOPLE

Attitude Taken in 1914 Reaffirmed by late of Brantford, was killed in action on Aug. 30th. The family, now residing at 328 Dundas street, Woodstock, Executive of Canadian Trades and Labor Council in Session at Quebec This Week

Ment as stretcher-bearer from Wood-stock with a battalion from London. He was well known here.

PTE. PERCY MEAD.

Another well known Brantford

and Labor Congress of Canada, which bership of trades and labor organiza-

By Courier Leased Wire

Quebec, Sept. 16.—The report of demands of labor and unlike the Governments of other Allied countries, no action had been taken to cooperate with the labor movement in opened its annual convention here the prosecution of many of the esseneven in the German press there this morning announces that viewing to be little hope that the Albert will agree to meet representation from both industrial entry of the Union Government into the war, with the situation from both industrial entry of the Union Government into the was born and raised in Brantford and political aspects, the organized change in the policy and the reprelabor movement has every reason to sentatives of organized labor were similar stens by Germany and Aus- be proud since the last convention. invited to Ottawa to confer with the His wife will have the sympathy of tria have failed in the past and that The report points out that the some- members of the war council and the while the people will no doubt be what astonishing decline in the mem- cabinet with reference to such important questions as to the conscripgle. there is little prospect of its tions during 1915 and 1916 afforded tion of labor for farm and industrial cause for anxiety, but the turning of purposes, national registration, the the tide during 1917 and 1918 had enforcement of the Military Service more than compensated for the strenuous efforts to prevent a further slump in membership. At the close of 1917 the membership for all classes of trades unions was it in and the friction which was so and the friction 240,630, comprised in 1974 branch evident during 1917 has almost distal Hospital at Letroport, suffering unions, a total increase for the year appeared. Dealing with the need from slight gunslot wound in the and a conciliatory snirit on the part of the Contral Powers does not end of the Contral Powers does not end contage great hopes that this offer with greater with listed for active service. With the However, in the machine and textile go to France. He was formerly comenforcement of conscription, the industries important progress has pany commander of the B.C.I. cadets total of unionists with the army rose to 32,000.

The report states that the large increase in the membership of the unions has given added virility to the unions have a dist

George Henry Vanloon, Conscientious Objector, On Trial at Niagara

By Courier Leased Wire. Niagara Camp, Sept. 16.—Geo. Henry Vanloon, a young farmer was tried by a general courtmar-tial here today for having refus-ed to put on a uniform. He said he was a Baptist, and because he had been born into the family of God he refused to take any part

whatsoever in the war. Vanloon admitted having receiv ed notice on May 9 to report, but he had not done so, and was apprehended by the Dominion Police on September 6.

Pte. Percy Mead Reported Missing — Lt. Cliff Slemin Wounded

OTHER CASUALTIES KILLED IN ACTION

Sergt. T. HOWELL. PTE. HARRY TURNER MISSING PTE. PERCY MEAD

PTE GEORGE WILLIAMS. Sergt. T. Howell

will have the sympathy of many Brantford friends in their bereave-

athlete beleved to have made the supreme sacrifice is Pte. Mead, late of the 125th Battalion, who has been missing since August 30, according to official word received by his wife. Mrs. Mead, 48 Colborne street. Pte Mead was well known in local hockey prior to enlistment. In April, 1917, he was wounded, and only returned to the trenches a short time ago. many friends in the uncertainty surrounding Pte. Mead's fate. A brother of Mrs. Mead's was killed in November last, and another brother, John Hubert, recently met Pte. Mead in the trenches

Court Martial INDIGNANT REPUDIATION, IS on Local Farmer



the above Map the Shaded Area is an Estimate of the Allied Gains on Thursday. The seriousness of the position of the Germans in St. Mihiel region is suggested by the location of the battle front. The line of crosses indicates the fortified line on which the remnant of the Germans in the salient are expected to retire.

BABES AND WOMEN ARE SURVIVORS OF GALWAY is seen by commentators as a German trick by which Austria is made the category in an or

Heart Rending Scenes When Rescued Reached Plymouth the German high command to Steamer Was Torpedoed Without the re-organize its shattered troops.

Sergt. Thomas Howell, of this city, has been killed in action according to a message received here by his wife, Mill. Thos. Howell, 17 Walter street, this morning. Sergt. Howell was sergt, major in the 125th battalion, and reverted to the rank of sergt, in order to go to France with sergt, in order to go to France with sergt, in order to go to France with sergt, when the sergt wire the sergt was torpeded without the slightest warning. The explosion occurred between the engine room and the stokehold, a fact which is taken to rule out any possibility that the ship struck a mine. The explosion caused comparatively little been stated over and over again to doubt that the vessel was torpeded without the slightest warning. The explosion occurred between the engine is taken to rule out any possibility that the ship struck a mine. The explosion caused comparatively little been stated over and over again the ship struck a mine. The explosion caused comparatively little been stated over and over again the ship struck a mine. The explosion caused comparatively little been stated over and over again the ship struck a mine. The explosion caused comparatively little been stated over and over again the ship struck a mine. The explosion caused comparatively little been stated over and over again the ship struck a mine to ship the ship struck as the ship to ship the ship struck as the ship to ship the ship to ship the ship struck as the ship to ship the ship the ship to ship the ship to ship the ship the ship to ship the ship the ship to ship the ship the

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TO BE COMMENCED THIS WEEK

Promise Given Big Deputation by Hon. F. B. Carvell, Minister of Public Works on Saturday-Visit to Port a Memorable Day

"There are times in the life of a man when he must think and act individually. That time

"I disavow in the most, emphatic manner that it was not necessary that these gentlemen should go to England." (refering to visit of the Premier and Colleagues.)

"I assure you, If the Grand Trunk does not become the property of the Government, the harbor will. We have the power and we will use it."

"I have been impressed with the conditions, and the work of repair will be commenced at

an old one which they are eager to see re-created.

To the efforts of business men of

dents of the port, must go the credit of bringing to the attention of the government the crying need of in-provements to Port Dover Harbor. From as far north as Elmira which at present has no direct com-

Austria is Seen as the Catspaw of Germany TEUTON TRICK Offer to Belgium a Shameless Insult

London, Sept. 15 .- Austria's invitation to the belligerents to meet in informal peace discussions is given a warm reception by the London morning newspapers. The warmth, however, is not that of cordiality, but of indignant repudiation. The note is made the catspaw in an endeavor to gain time to enable The offer of peace to Belgium is regarded as a shameless in-

sergt, in order to go to France with the 54th battalion. He was formerly a sergeant in the 38th Dufferin Rifles, and was employed at the Verity Plow Co. for over five years. He leaves to mourn his loss a wife and two small children.

The saw news was received this morning by Mrs. J. Crowley, 247 Marlborough St., that Harry Turner, late of Brantford was killed in action.

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In spite of the extent of the damage done in the extreme bottom, and was bent and torn clear to the upp note betrays that it was written in Wilhelmstrasse, Berlin."

Relative to the offer of peace to Belgium, The Express says: "This is another Brest-Litovsk scheme and part of the same plan for preserving the power of the Hohen-zollerns."

After referring to the sinking of the liner Galway Castle as a coinci-dence to the offer of peace, the news-

dence to the offer of peace, the newspaper says:

"The Allied peoples will not shake hands. They will not be friends nor will they agree to any hole in the negotiations. Democracy is now at the helm of the world's affairs. Militarism is tottering and if the German people desire to save themselves from falling with it, they must insist on the preliminary conditions which alone make useful talk possible."
"Our peace terms have been made."

"Our peace terms have been made clear," says The Post, "When Germany and her dependents are ready to accept them, they can let us know. There will be no abatement to them. Germany must be beaten and must recognize she is beaten. Until then connecting towns and villages on the line of the Lake Erie and Norther suggestions for peace conferences are not to be regarded any more than the crackling of thorns under a

The nacifist Daily News is the sole exception to the prevalent tone of the comment. Auticipating a general rejection of the Austrian proposals, it says that responsible, scher-minded men should, neverthewhich at present has no direct communication, and continuing along to Waterlee, Kitchener. Preston, Hespeler, Galt, Paris, Brantford, Waterleford and Simcoc, all have taken part in the agitation, which has been pushed since the advent of the new which line into Dover. The report states that the large mada," sary a the we ennot help skeptleal."

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