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RUSSIANS HOLDING THEIR OWN IN DESPERATE BATTLE

Germans Have Not Been Able to Advance For Three Days and Have Suffered Terrible Losses—New Attack by Germans Near Ypres Repulsed With Great Loss—Three More British Trawlers Sunk—Inhabitants Flee From Turbulent Gallipoli—Turks Fear Bulgarians.

Russia Reports Desperate Fighting and Success.

PETROGRAD, May 5.—Desperate fighting with Russian success at most points is reported from the battle line which now extends from Courland to the southern side of the Carpathians. The Germans, it is freely admitted succeeded in forcing the passage of the Donalje River in Galicia, but they have been held to their new position for three days and have suffered heavily from the Russian gunfire.

German Attack Repulsed With Loss.

PARIS, May 5.—The French War Office issued the following this afternoon.

"To the north of Ypres the Germans yesterday evening delivered an attack against the left sector of the British front; they were repulsed and taken in the flank by the French artillery; they suffered serious losses.

"Nothing has been reported from the remainder of the front."

Germans Again Make Determined Attacks

LONDON, May 5.—The Daily Telegraph's Rotterdam correspondent telegraphs:

"Furious fighting is reported from the northeast of Ypres where the Germans are making tremendous efforts to advance south from Gravenstafel toward which the British have held a wedge and which if held threatens to prevent the enemy from reaping the advantage from the ground captured in last week's advance.

Inhabitants of Callipoli Flee.

LONDON, May 5.—A despatch from Athens says the inhabitants of Gallipoli and other parts of the peninsula are fleeing in large numbers to the Asiatic shore. A Times Sofia despatch says a large part of the troops which had been sent to the Gallipoli peninsula who have been recalled in haste and sent to Kirk Kilisseh, 32 miles north east of Adrianople and to Midia on the Black Sea to guard against attack by the Bulgarians. Two Turkish aeroplanes which attempted to bombard the allied fleet have been brought down by shells from the warships according to a despatch from Salonika.

Three More British Trawlers Sunk.

HULL, Eng. May 5.—Three more British trawlers, the Iolanthe, Hero and Northward, have been blown up by German submarines in the North Sea on Monday, and it is feared also were lost as they were shelled and fired upon with rifles by the crew of a submarine. No lives were lost aboard any of the three trawlers named.

Italian Situation Reaching a Focus.

LONDON, May 5.—Today's despatches from Rome although evidently subjected to the strictest censorship agree that the situation is rapidly approaching a culmination. Premier Salandra is expediting the military and diplomatic preparations necessary for the carrying out of any purpose that may be decided on. Count Goluchowski has reached Rome with Austria's latest report to the Italian demands. The interventionist newspapers continue to declare that Italy is about to join the allies.

BRITISH FRONT AT YPRES HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY REALIGNED

New Line Extends to the West of Zonnebeker—Half-Hearted Attack by Enemy Beaten Off.

LONDON, May 5.—The British war office last night made public the following official communication:

"The loss of ground which resulted from the unexpected use of asphyxiating gases by the enemy last week necessitated a readjustment of our line in front of Ypres.

"This readjustment, which has been in progress in the last few days, was successfully completed last night.

"The new line runs to the west of Zonnebeker.

"During the last 24 hours the situation has been normal along the whole front, with the exception of one half-hearted attack by the enemy northeast of Ypres last evening. It was beaten off."

Enemy's Loss at Ypres Enormous

LONDON, May 4.—That the German losses in the battles of Ypres reach 12,000 killed and many more wounded, is the unofficial count here; some correspondents place the total German casualties at 40,000.

The fight at Ypres has now come down to an artillery duel covering the movements of troops.

Attacks on Zeebrugge from the sea have so worried the Germans that they are building iron sluices of great strength and height at Port Lavin on the outskirts of Bruges to stem the floods should the big water gates at Zeebrugge be destroyed by the bombardment.

Youngest Soldier in Former War



PTE. JOSEPH GOLDEN

of the Eaton Motor Machine Gun Battery, is only twenty-six years of age, yet he is a veteran of the South African War, in which he was the youngest soldier engaged on the British side. He enlisted at Montreal for South African service and he enlisted at Toronto with the 2nd Contingent for the European War. Pte. Golden is the quarter-mile bicycle champion of Canada.

Better Times Coming Sir Thomas Believes

WINNIPEG, May 4.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy arrived in Winnipeg from California with his party today. He expressed the opinion that Canada would rapidly recuperate from the present depression; in fact, he said that he saw already signs of better conditions.

More Fighting in Montenegro

CETTINJE, May 4.—A Montenegrin official statement says: "The Austrians are showing renewed activity along the entire Montenegrin front, but we have repulsed all their assaults."

CANADIAN RECOMMENDED FOR MILITARY HONORS

Lance-Corporal Guthrie Risked His Life in a Heavy Shell Fire in Order to Attend Three Wounded Comrades.

LONDON, May 4.—Lance-Corporal Guthrie of the 7th Battalion, Canadian Infantry, has been recommended for military honor for bravery displayed near Ypres during its heavy bombardment by the Germans. Guthrie, it is stated, showed extraordinary coolness while attending the wounded men under particularly heavy fire. A shell landed on a dug-out in which three men were sleeping. All three were wounded, one so severely as to be unable to move. Guthrie spotted them, and, leaving a place of comparative safety, went out where the shells were dropping, and, after binding up the wounds of two of the men, carried the other to a place of safety.

CORP. EDGAR SLATER RECEIVED WOUNDS

In Battle of Langemarck With Queen's Own—Son of Ex-Ald. Slater of Belleville.

Ex-Ald. Slater received the following message this morning about nine o'clock.

"Ottawa, May 4th, 1915.

"Frederic Slater,

Belleville, Ont.,

"Sincerely regret to inform you

No. 9370 Lance Corporal Frederic Edgar Slater, 3rd Battalion, officially reported wounded. Further particulars when received will be sent you.

Adjutant General."

Corporal Slater is well known in Belleville. He was some years ago in the Fifteenth and Forty Ninth Regiments as sergeant. Seven or more years ago he went west and joined the 101st Battalion, Calgary. Six years ago he returned to Belleville for a year or more and then left for Toronto. He was not in any military unit in Toronto, until war broke out when he joined the colors with the Queen's Own Regiment. He had been engaged with the T. Eaton Company since leaving Belleville. He is single.

The Queen's Own was in reserve at the first of the serious engagement, but was in the bayonet charges. It is thought likely that Corporal Slater received his wounds in such a man-

Western Cities to Get Shell Orders

WINNIPEG, May 4.—Mayor Waugh today received the following telegram from Premier Borden:

"I am pleased to inform you that the government has been able to arrange with the shell committee to place in western cities a large number of shell contracts, which, it is thought, will be sufficient to give employment very shortly to all skilled labor qualified for this particular work, thus relieving appreciably, I hope, the unemployment situation."

German Ships Shell Russian Naval Yard

LONDON, May 5.—The Daily News correspondent at Copenhagen says: A private Stockholm despatch states that German warships are busy in the northern part of the Gulf of Bothnia, especially in the Aaland Sea. Today a Swedish ship arrived, and reported that the military light-house at Langskaeron, Aaland Islands, was set on fire yesterday morning by shells from warships. This is the first direct German attack on the important naval yard at Aaland. It is expected a general naval offensive will begin shortly in the northern region of the Gulf of Bothnia.

Picton Man Wounded

Today's list of wounded includes the name of Private David A. Powles of Picton, Ont.

AWFUL TRAGEDY AT CHATHAM IN WHICH LOCAL BOY IS VICTIM

Leslie Gerow Succumbed to Terrible Burns in Body While in Discharge of His Duties.

Leslie Gerow, a well known young Bellevillian died yesterday at Chatham, Ontario of burns received in an accident on Saturday last at the rear of the sub-station on the cemetery road shortly before nine o'clock. The death of Mr. Gerow makes the second death as a result of the tragedy. The body of his companion Joseph Fahey, patrolman in the employ of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Commission having been converted into a veritable living sheet of flame when it came in contact with 110,000 volts of electricity. Fahey's body was burned to a crisp.

Leslie Gerow was taken to the general hospital at Chatham with his right arm terribly burned from hand to shoulder in such a condition that amputation of the member would have been necessary in case he had recovered. Both of his legs were badly burned up to the knees and might have required amputation. The plausible theory that he had but one hand on the fatal ladder on which he was standing may have accounted for his escape from instant death and the fate that befell Fahey. The death of Gerow makes the fourth fatality at the station within about a week's time.

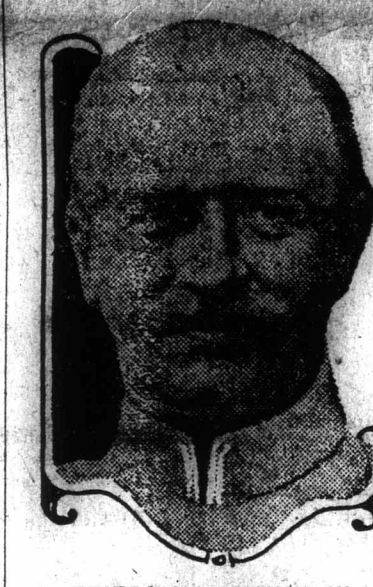
Fahey was engaged in inspecting the Windsor section of the high power line directly in front of the sub-station. He was assisted by Gerow, who had considerable electrical experience and Geo. Horn, a Chatham man. This section of the line had been cut dead marked in, tagged and tied to the ground. The work of repairing some clamps had been completed when apparently, Fahey, accompanied by the others, went to the rear of the building, and began to make an inspection of the London section of the line.

Fahey, it is said, must have known that contact with the wire meant certain death. Before examining it, it was his duty as patrolman (the other men evidently figured the line was harmless when Fahey prepared to make his inspection) to cut it "dead," mark it in, and tie it to the ground. His neglect to do so cannot be comprehended by Hydro officials. A simple slip of Fahey's memory in the general opinion accounted for the two fatalities.

Gerow, seen by a Hydro official for a few minutes in the hospital on Saturday morning last declared that Fahey had raised the ladder to inspect the line and was standing on it at the time. It was apparent that the patrolman was making an inspection of the circuit. The ladder had been erected against one of the steel towers. Whether Fahey's body came in contact with the wire itself, or whether the current jumped the space of seven or eight inches between the top of the ladder and the wire, cannot be determined.

Chief operator McKay was in the

King of a German State



FRIEDRICH AUGUST III, the King of Saxony who is active on the battlefield as well as in the Kaiser's councils of war.

building when the lightning arrestors attached to the south side of the building roared like thunder. He scented trouble and ran to the rear of the building. He encountered one of the helpers named Horn swaying like a drunken man. The ghastly remains of Fahey burned to a cinder lay short distance from the ladder, the end of which was swaying against a power wire. He was burned beyond recognition. A few feet away lay Gerow, face downwards in the dust. Realizing that nothing could be done for Fahey, the chief operator started the work of resuscitation on Gerow who was unconscious at the time. Gerow's right sleeve was burned away completely. The current had twisted his arm out of shape and had burned deep into the glands under the armpit. Holes fully two inches in circumference showed here and there on his shoes. Finally breathing was restored and he was able to speak. Mr. McKay swabbed his destroyed arm with carroll oil to relieve the awful pain. Gerow was later taken to the hospital.

Mr. Mackay suffered burns on the fingers from grasping Gerow's smoking and burning clothing.

The same ladder was practically responsible for two other deaths a few days ago.

Gerow who is supposed to have been holding it, may have received his shock through the current passing from Fahey's body along the sides of the ladder.

He lingered until yesterday.

Leslie Gerow was about 27 years of age. His brother, Norbert is night operator at the Chatham station. His mother, Mrs. Alwida Gerow has been living in Chatham with her son, but her home is on Pope Street, Belleville. Leslie was a very popular citizen. He was at one time engaged in lumbering and before leaving Belleville was following the electrical business. He was a baseball player of note.

The remains arrived here at noon today and were taken to the home on Pope Street.

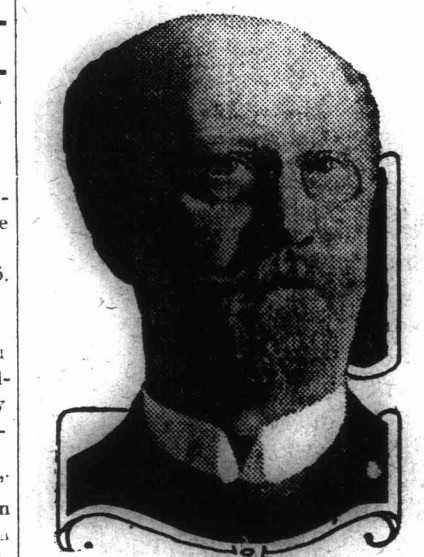
BURNING VILLAGES MARK COURSE OF TURKISH RETREAT

All Reports Agree That Allies' Operations in Dardanelles are Progressing Favorably—Turks Beaten in all Encounters.

PARIS, May 4.—"The allies' operations against the Dardanelles are developing favorably, according to information reaching here from different sources," says the Athens' correspondent of the Havas Agency. "The heavy fighting continues, in which the Turks are constantly being worsted. The guns of the fleet lend efficacious aid to the troops. The allies have occupied several villages, which were in ruins. The Turks, it seems, burn all villages as they retire."

LONDON, May 4.—It is announced that a memorial service for the Canadians who have fallen in the war will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral on May 10.

Braved the Kaiser's Wrath



PHILIP SCHEIDMANN Socialist and peace advocate, who caused consternation in the German Reichstag when he demanded that the Government take steps to end the war.

Fresh Attack in Serbia.

BERLIN, May 4.—The Tages-Zeitung says it learns that the new Austrian army which is to act against Serbia is now ready for the field. The weather along the border, according to the newspaper, is improving rapidly, and an advance by the army is expected shortly.

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