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ONTARIO GOVERNMENT GIVES $500,000 FOR MACHINE GUNS

Hon. W. J. Hanna's Announcement Climax of Big Rally in Massey Hall. Recruiting Campaign in Toronto Was Given Further Impetus by Immense Open Air Demonstration Last Night.

Success for Russians on Dniester; Vienna Claims Radom Is Taken

British Wrest Line of Trenches From Germans at Hooge Chateau

CRITICAL POINT STILL DELAYED IN POLISH FIELD

Fighting Not Yet Heavy on Narew and Vistula-Bug Fronts.

SUCCESS ON DNIESTER

Russians Captured Five Hundred Prisoners in Slight Advance.

Special Cable to The Toronto World.

LONDON, July 20.—Fighting at the two critical points in the thousand-mile front in the eastern theatre of war, the Narew front, and the front between the Bug and Vistula Rivers, remains without decision, in fact it can hardly be said that the battles in these regions have developed to anywhere near their full intensity, for the Russian official statement received here tonight speaks of light artillery firing and some advance guard engagements on the Narew front, and of a careful advance of the enemy on the new Russian prepared front between the Vistula and the Bug Rivers, the Germans evidently being suspicious of some unknown factor in the situation.

Attacks on Bug Sector.

The Germans continue to make attacks on the Krylow-Sokal section of the Bug sector, and in the district of

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RUSSIANS DESTROY A FLEET OF TURKISH SAILING SHIPS

LONDON, July 20, 9.01 p.m.—A fleet of 59 Turkish sailing vessels, laden with war materials for the Turkish army of the Caucasus, has been destroyed by Russian torpedo boat destroyers, according to a despatch from Sebastopol to Reuter's Telegram Ca. The sailing vessels were on a voyage to Trebizond, a seaport of Asiatic Turkey, on the Black Sea. The crews of the Turkish ships were made prisoners by the destroyers.

Fifteen Thousand Hear Speakers at City Hall

It is Estimated That Five Hundred Men Joined Colors As Result of Mammoth Recruiting Campaign.

Five hundred recruits from the City of Toronto were enrolled last night as a result of the unprecedented recruiting meeting which permeated Toronto. The spirit of patriotism was in evidence everywhere and the boy in khaki was the citizens' idol.

Crowds who could not gain entrance to Massey Hall, the centre of the vast movement, wandered the streets, stopping here and there to hear addresses of loyalty from speakers in various sections of the city wherever a platform or suitable place was found.

A large overflow meeting from Massey Hall was held in front of the city hall, where more than 15,000 people had assembled. The Governor-General's Body Guards and the 109th Regimental bands were stationed on the stone platform in front of the hall and played patriotic selections thruout the evening. A large sign hung down from the balcony in view of the large assemblage, with the fitting inscription, "You Said You Would Go When You Were Wanted—You Are Wanted Now." It was the keynote of the evening, and, as the young men from the crowd stepped up on the platform offering their services, the crowd gave cheer after cheer while they walked to the recruiting tent nearby.

Has Son at Front.

The chairman of the speakers' committee, J. R. L. Starr, introduced ex-Mayor Hocken, who has a son at the front, and gave one of the sincerest addresses of the evening. He said he had just come from Massey Hall, where they were singing "Britons Never Shall Be Slaves." If Germany should win, Britons shall be slaves, he emphatically declared. He said to the young men of Toronto, if they did not go to do their bit, the time

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GREAT ENTHUSIASM PREVAILED AT IMMENSE RECRUITING MEETING

Announcement of Ontario's Gift of Five Hundred Machine Guns Brings Tremendous Applause and is Stimulus to Formation of Toronto Recruiting League—Ministerial Association Will Also Make Presentation.

Provincial Secretary W. J. Hanna brought last night's wildly enthusiastic recruiting meeting in Massey Hall to a climax with the announcement that the provincial government, in council yesterday morning, voted $25,000 to defray recruiting expenses, and $500,000 with which to provide 500 machine guns for the Canadian troops. The audience failed for a few moments to grasp the immensity of the provincial secretary's announcement, but as the significance was gathered the applause grew gradually into a volume which made old Massey Hall tremble on its foundations.

It was a big surprise, and purposely saved up as a response to the loyal call of Toronto for immediate action in securing more recruits and more munitions.

MINISTERS GIVE ONE TOO.

Dr. Andrew Robertson, president of the Toronto Ministerial Association, opened the meeting and also announced the gift of the Ministerial Association of a machine gun to the Canadian troops. "The ministers of this city feel that if ever there was a war in which our cause was the worthy one, this is it. And we have been doing our small part in trying to stimulate recruiting from the pulpit, and tried to create an atmosphere from which a tremendous response would be made to a meeting of this character," he said.

In making his announcement of the action of the provincial government, Hon. W. J. Hanna said that it had not yet been decided what distribution would be made of the $25,000 set aside to stimulate recruiting. That part of the matter, he said, required a little further consideration yet. The 500 machine guns are "to be prepared forthwith and forwarded at the earliest possible moment to the Canadian contingent in France."

OF APPROVED TYPE.

The machine guns to be purchased are of a type approved by the war office, and for which Great Britain has already given an order for five thousand. The gun, completely equipped, weighs only twenty-five and a half pounds, and can be fired from the shoulder. It also possesses great flexibility and can be fired from any position, which will give it great advantage when used on an aeroplane.

Massey Hall Too Small.

Massey Hall with its seating capacity of 4,000 proved a ridiculously small place in which to gather the thousands who responded to the "recruiting call." The program was supposed to commence at 7.30 and the doors to open at 7.15. By 7 o'clock the police had formed in line and a thousand odd persons anxious to gain admission and before 7.30 every available seat was filled. Then they filled the seats on the platform with a few more hundred from the throng.

There has been held many an enthusiastic meeting in Massey Hall, but never as demonstrative a one as last night's proved to be. The theme of the speakers was that the British Empire was actually in peril; a chord so responsive as that had never been before struck in Canada and the 4,500 attendants sang the national anthem with a vigor never heard before, cheered themselves hoarse at the martial strains of "Rule Britannia," and concluded by forming a Toronto Recruiting League with an executive of sixty of the most influential citizens, men and women, of Toronto.

Many on Platform.

Gathered on the platform were many leading Torontonians, and most of the officers of the Toronto military units. The church too had its representatives, and the war was brought right to the front door of everybody in the building by the presence of half a dozen returned Torontonians, wounded in the fighting in Belgium and northern France.

Donald C. McGregor, musical director, led the gathering thru a few patriotic pieces to start the program, in which O. L. Gardner acted as pianist. Mrs. Eileen Millett Lowe sang a solo, the Q. O. R. band played a special patriotic medley, cheered to the echo in turn by the English, Irish and Scotchmen present as their native land's favorite was delivered, and concluding with the soul-stirring strains of "Rule Britannia," played double forte, after which Dr. Robertson opened the meeting and recruiting addresses were in order. Lieutenant-Governor Hendrie occupied the chair.

Sir George E. Foster.

Sir George E. Foster, the last speaker, opened by announcing that between the hours of 8 and 9.45 o'clock that evening 92 recruits had been secured as a result of the special call. Referring to a previous speaker's reference to a young man who, when asked why he enlisted, said "Greater love hath no man than he who lays down his life for his country." Sir George said, "So long as we have Canadians of this calibre I personally have no fear of the outcome of this struggle."

"I come here simply as a Canadian reasoning with Canadians. We have not by any means seen the end of this war, and I believe the strain on our son who goes to the front that the other may have an opportunity of resources and our strong manhood is only beginning," he declared.

"I believe that only horror and a weakening uncertainty can result, if the whole truth of the magnitude of the task before us is not set before you. It does not make cowards of us to know these things. It enneryes us and puts into us determination to accomplish the work that is before us."

Lack of Knowledge.

Continuing, Sir George declared he believed that if there were any slackness on the part of Canadians to get into uniform, that slackness was due to lack of knowledge of the urgent necessity. He declared it was only necessary to impress upon Canadians this necessity and the response would be beyond expectations. He commended the spirit which moved the recruiting meeting and said that with the aid of the press its effect should be far reaching and the response immediate.

Empire in Peril.

"We are now engaged in the most colossal struggle that ever took place in the whole world's history. Label that on your mind, Canadians. The German who caused the war believed it would be all over in three months' time, and few of us believed that six months would not see the cessation of such a gigantic conflict. And it cannot be truthfully said that the struggle has reached its zenith. Today we have to face the fact that over a year's fighting has not attained the results necessary to close the war. And it cannot be predicted as to how long it will require. I tell you today this empire is in peril, and its life is at stake," said the minister.

"If Germany and the Turk conquer, the map of Europe will have to be redrawn. If Austria and the Turk are able to dominate the Adriatic and the Bosphorus and the Mediterranean this empire of which we are part will have failed in her work. The zenith of her power will be reached, and the declension set in, possibly, of that great sun of 2000 years, slowly going down and into oblivion," forcibly declared the speaker.

Can Freemen Conquer.

Sir George impressed on the audience the fact that every country with whom we are engaged has full control of her manhood. "Their men, trained in militarism, go at the call. Their fathers and mothers have no opportunity to say yes or no. It is a fight between freemen and conscripts. Can the freemen conquer?"

The speaker drew pointed parallels between the business man's son who stays at home so that he may make a few dollars and the business man's making these dollars; the pleasure-seeking young man and the man who is fighting so that he may follow his pleasure hunt; the mother who keeps her son at home to comfort her and the

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BRITISH TAKE TRENCHES EAST OF HOOGE CHATEAU

Mine Exploded and About Hundred and Fifty Yards of New Ground Occupied and Consolidated---Secret Evacuation of Hill Sixty Announced.

LONDON, July 20, 9.42 p.m.—Field Marshal Sir John French today made the following announcement in a report to the war office:

"Yesterday evening, after successfully exploding a mine just west of the chateau of Hooge, east of Ypres, our troops occupied about 150 yards of the enemy's trenches. This gain has since been consolidated.

"We captured 15 prisoners, including two officers, and also two machine guns. Two other German machine guns were destroyed by the explosion.

"Elsewhere on the front there is nothing to report."

The withdrawal of British troops from hill 60, in Flanders, news regarding which operation several newspapers complained was kept so long from the British public, was explained by Charles E. Hobhouse, the postmaster-general, in the house of commons today.

At the time the hill was abandoned, he said, the "withdrawal of the troops had to be conducted in secrecy, and it was conducted with singular success. When it became expedient to make the matter public it was no longer of any military importance. Hence the silence of the war office."

WELSH MINERS MAY CONCLUDE STRIKE TODAY

Expected to Ratify Preliminary Agreement to Return to Pits.

GOOD TERMS OFFERED

Offices of Lloyd George Credited With Securing Industrial Peace.

CARDIFF, July 20, 10.40 p.m.—Subject to ratification by the miners themselves, thru delegates who will assemble tomorrow, representatives of the government and of the coal mine owners on the one hand and the executive committee of the South Wales Miners' Federation on the other agreed to terms which, it is thought, will end the coal miners' strike, which since last Thursday has tied up the South Wales coal fields and menaced the fuel supply of the navy.

The terms arrived at grant a substantial increase in wages and involve concessions to the strikers which are considered by their executive committee as tantamount to an admission of the miners' claims on nearly all the

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WOUNDED AT FESTUBERT RETURNS TO STRATFORD

STRATFORD, July 20.—Capt. T. G. Delamere, a Stratford officer with the First Battalion, who was severely wounded at Festubert, was given a rousing reception on his return to the city today on sick leave. Thousands greeted him at the station and at the city hall he was presented with a "welcome home" address by Mayor Barnsdale.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN MOTORING?

Considering its population, Toronto has more than its fair share of automobiles, and now that the "jitney fever" has spread in all directions, most every body feels a "motorist." In any case, there is a growing demand for auto dusters, and the showing at Dineen's, 140 Yonge street, is extensive and varied. Lustre, linen and alpaca auto dusters are priced at $3; chauffeurs' caps to match, $2. You would be well advised to see these before deciding elsewhere. Another seasonable and quick-selling line is bowling hats. In white linen they cost 50c, in white linen with green underbrims 75c to $1.25. Also new line of caps, silk caps and tweed caps, all colors, patterns and shapes, from 75c to $2. Should interest many now.

GERMANS DRAW ARMIES CLOSER ROUND WARSAW

Determined Offensive Gains Ground at Several Points on Eastern Front.

LONDON FEELS ALARM

Serbian Army Announces It Will Soon Resume Offensive.

LONDON, July 20.—From the shores of the Gulf of Riga in the north to that part of southern Poland, back into which they drove the Russians from Galicia, the Austro-German armies are still surging forward, and if Warsaw can be denied them it will be almost a miracle.

This seems to be the consensus of opinion, even among those in England, who heretofore have been hopeful that the Russians would turn and deliver a counter-blow, and news of the evacuation of the Polish capital, followed by the triumphant entry of the Germans amid such scenes as were enacted at Peremysl and Lemberg, would come as no surprise.

The German official statement, beginning at the northern tip of the eastern battle line, records the progress of the German troops to within about 50 miles of Riga; then, following the great battle arc southward, chronicles further successes in the sector northeast of Warsaw, culminating in the capture of Ostrolenka, which is in the same sector as Przasnysz and had been evacuated by the Russians on their withdrawal to the Narew approach lines of Warsaw. Immediately southwest of the city, and less than 20 miles from it, Blonie has fallen, and further south, Grojec; while German cavalry are astride the important railway from Radom to Ivangorod. The Lublin-Cholm railway is still in the hands of the Russians, so far as is known, but the Town of Lublin has either been captured or is in danger of falling into the grip of the Austro-Germans, the Russian commander-in-chief having issued, thru the civil governor, an order that in case of a retreat, the male population is to attach itself to the retreating troops.

The Serbian armies are being reequipped and reorganized, according to semi-official advices reaching London, and will soon be in a position to resume the offensive.

ORANGEMEN TO PURCHASE GUN.

ST. THOMAS, July 20.—The Orangemen of Elgin County are subscribing to a fund for the purchase of a machine gun for one of the Canadian overseas battalions. Seven hundred dollars is the amount aimed at.

NICKEL BOARD IS APPOINTED HOME REFINERIES IN VIEW

George T. Holloway, Eminent British Metallurgist, is Chairman of Commission of Four Members—Great Industries in Ontario Expected to Be the Outcome.

George T. Holloway, A.R.C.S., London, chairman.

Willet G. Miller, M.A., LL.D., F.R.S.C., provincial geologist.

McGregor Young, M.A., K.C., Toronto.

Thomas W. Gibson, deputy minister of mines, Toronto, secretary.

The four experts in metallurgy above-named have been appointed a royal commission by the Ontario Government to investigate the nickel situation in Ontario, not only from the standpoint of conditions created by the war, but also having regard to the question of establishing in this province an industry that would deal with the nickel entirely from the ore stage as it leaves the mines to the finished product. Hon. G. Howard Ferguson, minister of lands, forests and mines, made the announcement yesterday.

Refining in Ontario.

This commission is empowered to enquire into the whole nickel situation in Ontario. While satisfactory assurances have been given to the imperial authorities and the Dominion and provincial governments, as well, that none of Ontario's nickel is finding its way to the enemy, the government views the situation from a larger standpoint, and the commission will ascertain whether it is not possible to complete the refining of nickel ore from the mines of Ontario entirely within the province. The question of the province receiving an adequate return from its nickel deposits is also regarded as of much importance, and on this point the commission will also advise the government.

Speaking on this matter yesterday, Hon. G. Howard Ferguson said:

Consulted Imperial Authorities.

"Our idea was that the interests of

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RADOM HAS BEEN TAKEN CLAIM MADE BY VIENNA

Teutonic Allies Have Entered City Fifty-seven Miles from Warsaw, is Official Announcement.

VIENNA (via London), July 20, 10.50 p.m.—Radom, capital of the province of Radom, which lies 57 miles south of Warsaw, was captured today by the Teutonic allies, according to an official communication issued here this evening.

The communication follows:

"Between the Vistula and Bug Rivers yesterday the allied army, pursuing the retiring enemy, crossed the recent battlefield and increased its number of prisoners to 50 officers and 3500 men.

"Near Sokal we took three thousand prisoners.

"Westward of the Vistula the allies broke the Russian resistance. On the Ilzanka River, southward and westward of Radom, the Austrians resisted violent fighting. The Transylvanian infantry stormed the Village of Kostrzyn.

"Our troops occupied Radom today.

"On the frontier between Bukowina and Bessarabia a Russian brigade was overtaken and dispersed.

EMIGRANT SHIP ON FIRE

LONDON, July 21, 2.25 a.m.—A Reuter despatch from Durban, South Africa, says that the Peninsular and Oriental line steamer Benalla, with 800 emigrants aboard, bound from London for Australia, is afire 800 miles east of Durban, in the Indian Ocean. The cargo in one of the steamer's holds is burning.

The steamer Otaki, 150 miles off, picked up a wireless despatch from the Benalla, asking for aid, and the Benalla is now steaming to meet the Otaki.

BANS FROM GERMANY EVEN METAL BOXES

LONDON, July 20, 5.02 p.m.—As indicating the extent of Great Britain's efforts to keep metals out of Germany the public has been officially requested to pack whatever food may be sent to prisoners of war in Germany in cardboard or wooden boxes; or if the provisions are such as are usually put up in tin boxes or cans that glass or earthenware be substituted. The export of tin already has been prohibited to the Scandinavian countries and Holland.

COAL KING OF WALES IS MAN OF MYSTERY

By a Staff Reporter.

OTTAWA, Ont., July 20.—D. A. Thomas, the "Welsh Coal King," who was expected here a week ago to confer with General Bertram, head of the shell committee, has not arrived and his whereabouts is unknown.

His arrival is awaited with impatience, as pending a conference with the shell committee, the placing of a new contract for fixed ammunition is held up.