

DECISION IN FOUR WEEKS' BATTLE IN FRANCE; GALLANT BELGIANS MAKING LAST STAND AT ANTWERP

Repulse of Strong German Reinforcements as Far North as Lille and Advance Against German Right Centre at Arras Arouse Hope That Allies Will Achieve Great Victory-- Violent Fighting at Roye and French Have Advantage, Regaining Lost Positions--Russian Battle Front Along Frontier of Poland From Galicia to East Prussia-- Roumania Shows Disposition to Take Hand.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN MONTHLY SESSION

Fredericton, Oct. 8--(Special)--On account of acting Premier Clarke being detained at St. Andrews, where he is attending court, it is unlikely that any matters of importance will be taken up tomorrow. Other members of the executive are here and the Lieutenant-governor arrived by this evening's train. Other officials included Col. Baxter and Col. McAvity.

The atmosphere is heavily charged with political rumors and important decisions are expected during the next few days. It was stated this evening that the report of the royal commission consists of 100 typewritten pages and is now in his honor's hands.

GRAVES OF BRAVE ON PLAINS OF NORTHERN FRANCE

Grim Scenes in Wake of Armies as Great Battle Goes On

ONE GREAT CEMETERY

Corps of Old Men Engaged in Grim Task of Burying Bodies, While Women Follow and Plant Willow Crosses for Officers--How Gravedigger Slew Uhlans--An Unnatural Confirer of Burning Bodies

(News of the World, Sept. 26). Over the fair fields of France where lately the Germans marched and still more lately retreated, grim scenes are now being enacted from day to day. Thousands and thousands of bodies await the last services of the living, and these are now being given them as rapidly as an army corps of grave diggers can fulfill the duty.

Day after day and night after night this army of old men apply themselves to their dreadful task. Women follow behind bearing little bundles of peeled willow wands and strands of wire. They cut a few inches from each wand and bind it on crosswise with the wire. And whenever an officer is found cold and stiff amid the huddle of the dead a cross of willow wand is planted over his grave. Hour after hour, night after night, the corps of the sextons with the women ply their harrowing trade, weary and wan, marking cemetery after cemetery.

Their bundles of sticks diminish as this acreage of the dead swells. One cannot call it God's acre; it is the Devil's. The dismal night glooms on the tall candles in the horn lanterns flicker feebly--flicker and go out. The dawn talks up out of the east, not softly, as these September dawns would arrive to set the fairies dancing back across the glades to their daytime hiding places--not softly but with a jagged front wringing heaven's brow in a grimace of gnawing fear as they mark the passage of the hours. Then come the piled railroads careering overhead at the command of a relentless southwest wind. Heaven above is sobbing, sobbing.

Now she is pouring her tears in drearily streaming down the sides of the shallow trenches, packed with the dead, become quagmires, and down every little hill the water streams and bubbles. It is brown water, tinged with streaks of red.

Blood and Tears. The British and the French are laid out on both sides, brothers-in-arms in a common grave. On the grave of officers, as just indicated, is placed a cross, and perhaps a willow wand. The graves of Germans are treated differently. They are collected in huge piles, and with stones and petrol are put to the flames. Some of these graves have strange stories to tell. One of these men, who had followed the line of battle for thirteen miles, from his own village, Rouvray, near Levegnin, helping to bury the French and British dead, and helping to burn the German corpses, related his experiences to the Daily Chronicle correspondent.

His work is not nearly done, for during the fighting in the region round the forest of Villers, the German dead had been left upon the ground as he can, the gravedigger has been unable to cover up all these brothers-in-arms who lie out in the wind and the rain.

"I walked among the fields," says the correspondent, "where they lie, and among their roughly-piled graves, and not far from the piles of the enemy's dead who are awaiting their funeral pyres. My guide grasped my arm and pointed to a little dip in the ground beyond the abandoned village of Levegnin. 'See there,' he said, 'they take some time to burn. He spoke to a matter-of-fact way, like a gardener pointing to a bonfire of autumn leaves."

But there, in line with his forefinger, rose a heavy rolling smoke, sluggish in the rain under a leaden sky, and I know that those leaves yonder had fallen from the great book of human life, and this bonfire was made from an unnatural harvesting. As my guide led me through a fringe of forest and led me through his own adventures, and heaped corpses upon the enemy.

He had killed one of them with his own hand. As he was walking on the edge of a wood a solitary Uhlans came riding over the field, behind the crest of a little hill. He was one of the opponents of the strong force in Crepy-en-Valois, and had lost his way to that town. He demanded guidance, and to point his remarks picked his lance at the chest of the guide. He answered civilly, but shot through his pocket and killed the man at the end of the lance.

The Uhlans fell from his horse, and the peasant set his lance and cocked his gun as souvenirs of a happy moment. But the moment was brief. A second lance and the peasant was sick with fear for what he had done. If it should be discovered that he, a civilian, had killed a German soldier, every living thing in his village would be put to the sword, and among those living things were his wife and little ones.

He dragged his trophies into the forest and lay in hiding there for two days until the enemy had passed. I saw the lance--it reached from the floor to the ceiling of his cottage--and for years to come in the village of Rouvray it will be the centre piece of a thrilling tale. It was only one of many that I heard on this day's tramp towards the guns."

ITALIAN ROYAL FAMILY EXPECTS AN ADDITION. Rome, via Paris, Oct. 8--Official announcement is made that the announcement of Queen Helena is expected next January. The king and queen already have four children--three girls and a boy.

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TO APPEAL FOR THE BELGIANS

the expressions of sympathy in the letters that accompany the gifts show how highly the gallant effort of the brave Belgians in stemming for so long the tide of the German flood is appreciated.

TO COMMAND FRENCH-CANADIAN REGIMENT BEING ORGANIZED

Montreal, Oct. 6.—Lieut.-Col. Frederick Manderet Gaudet, who has been appointed commanding officer of the French-Canadian regiment that is being organized under the name of the Royal Canadians, was born at Three Rivers (Que.), is a resident of Montreal, and is a member of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers.

DYSPEPSIA MADE MY LIFE MISERABLE

Did Not Think I Would Ever Be Able To Enjoy Another Meal, Until I Decided To Investigate Claims for "Fruit-a-tives"

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W. F. ALLEN, ESQ., Halifax, N. S., Nov. 22nd, 1913. Just as sure as day follows night, just so sure will 'Fruit-a-tives' cure every trace of indigestion and Dyspepsia. 'Fruit-a-tives' keeps the stomach sweet and clean. 'Fruit-a-tives' restores the digestive juices being fresh and plentiful by ridding the whole system of impurities. 'Fruit-a-tives' stimulates the stomach muscles, and insures every meal being promptly and completely digested.

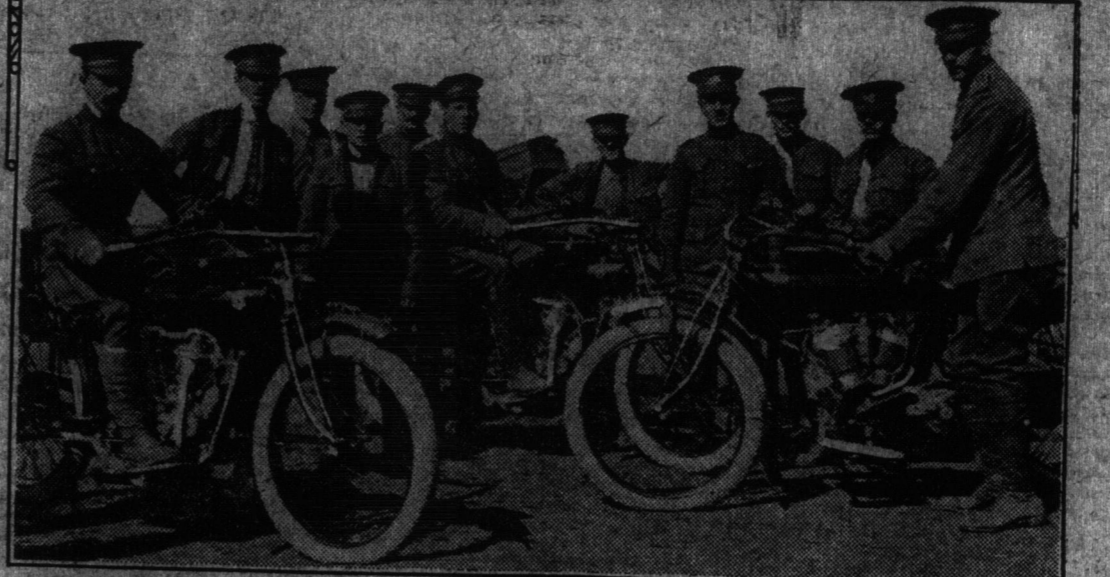
AGRICULTURE

Room For Improvement on New Brunswick Farms, Reports Expert, in System of Rotation of Crops, Care of Manure, Water Supply and in Grade of Live Stock—An Interesting Booklet.

A reprint in handy form has been made of the suggestions of F. C. Nunnicliffe to the commissioner of conservation. It deals with the committee on land-use districts, a survey made in twenty-nine districts of Canada in the summer of 1913. His suggestions regarding New Brunswick farm lands make very interesting reading.

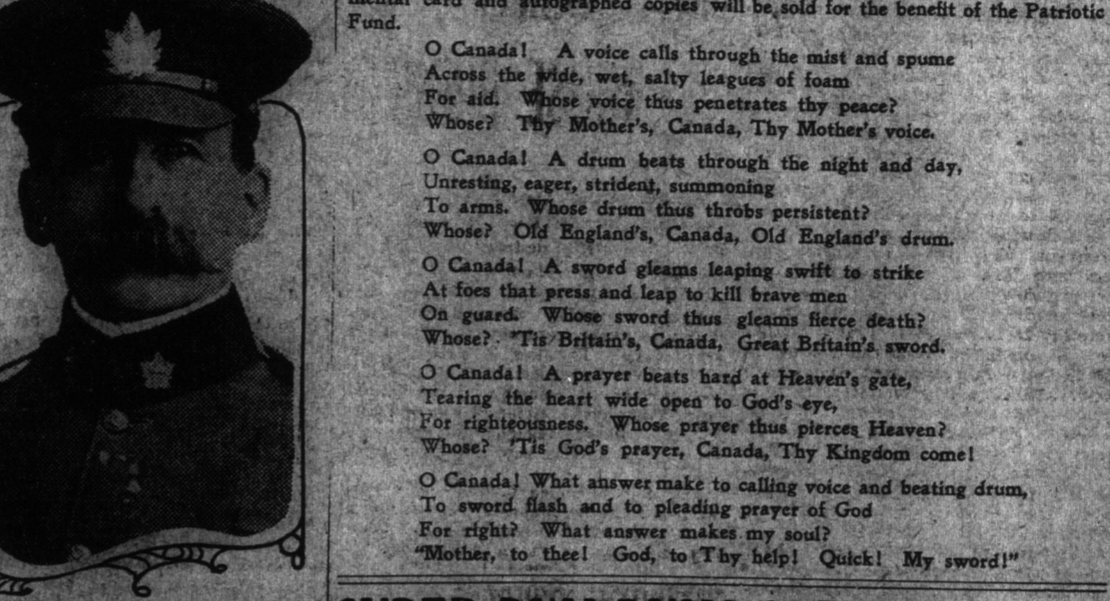
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CANADIAN MOTOR CYCLE SQUAD



Some of the men of the Canadian Signal Division who will soon be speeding over the roads and battlefields of Europe.—Photo by courtesy Canadian Northern Railway.

BRIGADE LEADER IN CANADA'S ARMY



LIEUT.-COL. S. M. MERCER, of the Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto, who will command one of the infantry brigades of the Canadian overseas force.

JAPAN KEEPING HER PLEDGE IN THE FAR EAST

Washington, Oct. 9.—Japan has no desire to violate in any sense the understanding she gave at the beginning of the war to confine her military operations to the Far East, the Japanese embassy here announced today. The Japanese ambassador here, Baron Goto, said that the Japanese government had no intention of interfering in the European war.

BRITISH PRISONERS BADLY TREATED IN VENICE REPORT

Venice, via Paris, Oct. 7, 125 a. m.—Reports from various parts of Austria-Hungary indicate that British prisoners of war have been subjected in many instances to harsh treatment. They have been insufficiently fed and badly housed in these two provinces, mixed farming was practiced. In Hants county, Nova Scotia, however, the farmers look mainly to their orchards to pay their bills.

DANGEROUS TO PICK AT A SORE CORN

The razor or pick-knife was up, paring and gouging out corns. It is a temporary relief, but very often causes blood poisoning. To quickly relieve the pain and surely lift out the corn, apply Putnam's Painless Corn and Wart Extractor.

GENEROUS GIFTS MADE BY COUNTY

Municipal Council Votes \$10,000 and \$2,000 to Canadian Patriotic Fund and Belgian Relief Fund Respectively—Money Forthcoming at Once—Other Business.

Wednesday, Oct. 7. Votes of \$10,000 and \$2,000 respectively were yesterday made at the county council to the Canadian Patriotic Fund and the Belgian Relief Fund. The money will be at once forthcoming. That was the outstanding feature of the meeting, though the council also decided to undertake the payments of any expense in connection with the water supply and the sewerage of the new tuberculosis hospital. The meeting was short and, except for these matters, was chiefly taken up with committee work.

WILL GO AFTER GERMANY'S TRADE

Amherst, N. S., Oct. 6.—Half a hundred maritime province manufacturers met here today to form an association, the purpose of which is to go after Germany's trade. The association is being organized by the Maritime Manufacturers' Association of the Maritime Provinces.

P. E. I. CAR FERRY STEAMER LAUNCHED

London, Oct. 5.—The ice-breaker ferry steamer, specially built by the Armstrong-Whitworth Co., Ltd., for the service of the Canadian government for the purpose of more effectively linking up the province of Prince Edward Island with the New Brunswick mainland, was launched today at Newcastle-on-Tyne, and was christened "Prince Edward Island" by Mrs. G. H. Perley, wife of the acting Canadian High Commissioner.



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